

Brooklyn Broadcast

Brooklyn Bears 2026-2027 Gila'kasla



Welcome Back! Gila'kasla

The first week:

Class start up went well, thank you to all the patient and supportive parents that made this possible. At the end of our first full day we had a quick assembly where we were able to review some key pieces about being "the best Brooklyn Bear that each student can be." As well, we reminded students about the Code of Conduct, entrances and exits, how to find a safe adult at recess, and much more.



We ended this first week with a fun day, it was so wonderful to see all the students playing interactive games with their classes, as well, many ended up wet (but happy and wet)! This year we will be having monthly themes and a word of the week, Septembers theme is "Being Friendly - building relationships" which connects to our core competencies and school goals.

Biking Safety

Just a reminder, if your child is riding their bike to school, please ensure they are wearing a helmet and please remind them to:

- stop at the cross walk,
- look both ways, and
- if all cars have stopped, then cross safely.



School Supplies & Forms

School fees this year will be \$35, this covers all your students supplies for the year. These are payable in person at the main office, or by e-transfer to: brooklyn@sd71.bc.ca

All pertinent and **annual forms** were sent home this week, please have these in as soon as possible so we can support students with walking field trips and ensure our information is up to date.



Clubs at Brooklyn

Our goal is to have some of our clubs up and running next week, with the remainder up and running no later than Monday Sept 21st.

This year we will have fun opportunities in the library, with additional quiet spaces for those in need of some down time. As well, Ms. Larkin aims to have open gym for specific grade groups throughout the week. We will bring back Whacky Wheelie Wednesday, at least until the weather turns, this will start next week Wed Sept 16th.

Whacky wheelie guidelines: students that bring peddle bikes and scooters to school on Wednesday can ride them out front in the parking lot at first recess - lot will be closed to all traffic. Helmets are mandatory! We are not supporting lending of bikes/scooters or trading, our goal is to support students on their own bike/scooter, in order to avoid accidents.



Routines n' Things at Brooklyn

Recess: Always outside come prepared 😊 We do have an equipment sign out bin, so lots of things to play with while outside.

Picnic Tables: The picnic tables that Mrs. Radawiec's class made, last June with the Vanier Trades Sampler class, have arrived! We are excited to have those under our outside learning space - thank you!



Outdoor Forest:

11-11:30: First recess, primary students (K-3) in forest - with some wiggle room as needed.

1-1:30: Second recess, intermediate students (gr.4-7) in forest - with some wiggle room of course.



PHE: Inside shoes are the best choice in order to keep our gym safe and clean! 🗑️

School Parking

We encourage students and families to choose active transportation modes to travel to and from school - biking, walking, etc.

If you will be using a vehicle to drop off/pick up your child(ren) please note the following procedures: STOP, DROP & GO LANE - is directly in front of the school - loading zone.

Parent parking is available in the stalls in front of the school, and there is lots of parking by the City Works Yard.

There is no parking allowed on Guthrie and the parking lot on the right as you enter is designated staff parking.

All students and families, please use the designated crosswalks to cross Guthrie and the parking lot. We appreciate you following the rules so that we can keep all of our students safe!



Brooklyn PAC

📅 Monthly PAC Meetings

Our monthly PAC meetings will be held on the **last Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the school library**. Our first meeting will be **Tuesday, September 29th**. We'd love to see you there!

👥 PAC Volunteers Needed!

The PAC is looking for someone to **take on (or share) the DPAC role**, as well as volunteers to help get **Popcorn Days** and **Hot Dog Days** up and running this year.

If either of these sounds like something you'd be interested in, please reach out to us at brooklynexec@gmail.com. We'd love to have you join the fun!



🍷 Popsicle Fridays are back!

Popsicle Fridays kick off **Friday, September 18th!** Popsicles are **\$1** — a sweet way to start the weekend while helping us raise funds for fun things for our kids! 🍷

🍽️ Hot Lunch Ordering

October Hot Lunch ordering opens **NEXT WEEK — September 16th–23rd**. Don't miss it! New to the Hot Lunch ordering site or need a refresher? **An email with step-by-step instructions on how to navigate the site will be sent out early next week** to help make ordering a breeze!

🚲 GoByBike Week & the Brooklyn Bike Bus

Fall GoByBike Week runs **September 19th–25th**, and we're celebrating by bringing back the **Brooklyn Bike Bus on Friday, September 25th!** Meet us at the **top of Torrence & Noel at 8:10am** and ride to school with us! [Join the WhatsApp Group HERE](#)

Resilience and Support - Brooklyn Counsellor Mrs. Fletcher

If your child is experiencing anxiety about school, we are here to support you. Sometimes it can be helpful to break challenges into manageable chunks. We can also work together to create a predictable routine that supports regulation and a sense of calm. If you would like more information or have questions, I (Mrs.

Fletcher) will be available for drop in on Thursday, September 17th from 8:30-9:00 and 2:30-3:00. Please come find me in the main

office area of Brooklyn. If these times do not work for you, reach out and we can set up a different time.



Student Absence - School Messenger

[SchoolMessenger](#) is a communication suite used by Brooklyn Elementary for attendance reporting and to notify parents of unexcused absences.

Emergency notifications (e.g. snow closure) are also broadcast to parents/guardians using [SchoolMessenger](#). Instructions for opting-in to receive SMS text messages from SD71 can be found below.

An app is also available to parents/guardians that can be voluntarily installed to mobile devices allowing messages to be received on a mobile device. Instructions for how to sign-up, download and configure the app on your mobile device, as well as accessing the platform on the web, can be found below:

- [SchoolMessenger Parent App Mobile Device \(PDF\)](#)
- [SchoolMessenger Parent App Website \(PDF\)](#)
- [SMS Text Messaging Opt-In Instructions \(PDF\)](#)

You can also report an absence by [calling](#) / [emailing](#) the school.



Additional Important Information for Families

Inclusive Education

A parents handbook for Inclusive Education [HERE](#)



ERASE - expect respect and safe education

[ERASE](#) is a very useful website to support adults, students and staff with any questions they may have regarding safe education.



Volunteering at Brooklyn

All volunteers at Brooklyn must have a [criminal record check](#). Please see our Brooklyn website for all details and information.



Important Dates

The [district calendar](#) is available on the SD71 home website. Brooklyn Important dates to come:

- Sept 18th 1:45 Earthquake Drill
- Sept 18th Popsicle after school

- Sept 21 Pro d day (no school)
- Sept 22 Terry Fox Assembly 10:30
- Sept 23 Open house, meet the teacher and scavenger hunt 6pm
- Sept 25 Terry Fox Run 10:30

School Schedule

8:30 am - Welcome bell and doors open

8:35am - Start of school day

11:00 - 11:30 am - Morning Recess

1:00-1:30pm - Afternoon Recess

2:30 pm - End of Day

Students arriving late or leaving early must check in/out at the office prior to going to class/leaving school.



**BROOKLYN
ELEMENTARY**

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Please don't hesitate to connect!

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Website: [Brooklyn Elementary](#).

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