

ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD ÉLÉMENTAIRE / Comox Valley School (SD71)

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Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year

Another exciting school year is just around the corner at École Robb Road. We hope summer has been leisurely and restful for everyone. Mme Peddle and I are thrilled to join and lead such a positive and thriving learning community.

Here are a few key items and friendly reminders as summer wanes:

- <u>1. First morning of school</u> Wednesday, September 6th, from 8:40 12:00 (new Kindergarten students do not attend). Returning students meet outside at their designated meeting point from last year and spend the morning with their class from last year. New students to ERR enter the front doors, turn right and go to the library for an ERR orientation.
- **2.** Class placement 2023-2024 student/class placement will be finalized by staff in the afternoon of September 6th and will be communicated to families via email in the evening of September 6th. Please note that office staff and teachers will not be able to give out class placement information before it is emailed on the 6th. Be sure to check your email Wednesday evening / Thursday morning for up-to-date information on class placement for the second day of school.
- **3. Second day of school and beyond** Thursday, September 7th from 8:40 2:30 (regular schedule for everyone except Kindergarten). Students will meet at new designated spot and start in their new classes as emailed to families the previous evening.
- <u>4. School District Calendar</u> please click the <u>following link for the 2023-2024 School Calendar</u>
- <u>5. New Kindergarten Students</u> We will be welcoming 72 new kindergarten students this year in 4 different K classes. The Kindergarten gradual entry process and schedules were emailed to K families in June. Please let us know if you need more information or didn't receive the June email.

6. School Supplies

* Kindergarten to Grade 3

School supplies for these grades are \$26.00 per student. Payment can be made by e-transfer, or by cash or cheque at the office. Please send e-transfer payments to robbroad@sd71.bc.ca. Please clearly indicate in the e-transfer message your child's first and last name and the grade they will be entering in September (and be sure not to send duplicate payment)

* Grade 4 to Grade 7

School supply lists for these grades are available through the following link:

https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/ecole-robb-road-elementary/school-supplies/

This link can be found on our website under "School Info", "School Supplies". No payments are accepted at the school for these orders. Please follow the instructions in the link provided.

7. Staff

We have Mme Shelly in our front office again this year. A new Administrative Assistant will join her in the next few days. Here is our ERR staff (new members in bold):

Mme Ellis/Mme Simard, Mme Gowie, Mme Floucault, Mme Reed	Early Primary Teachers
Mme MacGregor, Mme Pittman, Mme Hartman, Mme Travis, Mme Nolf, Mme Bournival, Mme Gabourie, M. Douglas	Primary Teachers
Mme Leith-Mills, Mme Comeau, Mme Rose, Mme Yourchik	Intermediate Teachers
Mme Kenny, Mme Letourneau, M. Milani, Mme Lacombe	Upper Intermediate Teachers
M. Sequeira and Mme Mayert	Music Teachers
Mme Pontus and Mme Sonya	Teacher Librarian and Library Clerk
Mme Eby (primary) and Mme Peatfield (intermediate)	Learning Support Teachers
Mme MacLaughlan	Outdoor Ed (Fridays)
Mme Griffin	Counsellor
Mme McDonald	Speech & Language Pathologist
Mme Vicky, Mme Diana, Mme Amber, Mme Kyra	Educational Assistants
Mme Pauline	Indigenous Support Worker
Mr. Pete, Mr. Edward, Mr. David	Custodians
M. LeBlanc and Mme Peddle	Principal and Vice Principal

8. Parent Volunteers and Drivers

Thank you for volunteering at the school. Many of our programs and student experiences wouldn't happen without the support of parent and community volunteers. All volunteers (classroom, salad bar, coaching, drivers, etc...) must complete a criminal record check before starting. Please review the instructions for volunteers and drivers on our school's website.

<u>9. School Office Hours</u> - The school office is open every day the week of August 28th from 8:00 am until 2:00pm, and regular hours (8:00-3:00) resume on September 5^{th} .

 $\underline{\textbf{10. Non-Instructional Day}}$ – Tuesday, September 5^{th} is a Non-Instructional Day and students do not attend.

<u>11. Communication</u> - Every Monday morning before 7:00 am, you will receive a weekly update from me. Your child's teacher will also be in regular communication. Never hesitate to contact us with questions, concerns and celebrations!

Teachers and office staff are already hard at work preparing for a smooth school start-up and laying the foundation for another memorable school year.

I look forward to meeting everyone, students and families, over the next few weeks. Feel free to email me directly at stephane.leblanc@sd71.bc.ca if you have questions or concerns.

Enjoy the last week of summer!

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