



June 26th, 2025

Welcome

We are very excited to welcome your child to Kindergarten at Martin Morigeau Elementary School in September. It will be an exciting year filled with many new experiences for your child, but it is also an important time for parent, and we hope that together we can make this a wonderful year for your family.

I will be at school during the week of August 25th and am happy to meet with you during that week if you have any final questions or any important information that should be communicated prior to September. Please call the school or email me directly if you would like to arrange a meeting.

Gradual Entry

Kindergarten children in B.C. are required to have fewer instructional hours in a year than other grades. New experiences can be difficult and exhausting for young children, so this alternate schedule provides time to learn new routines, rest and build stamina in the school setting. We understand that this schedule can create some challenges for families regarding childcare.

During these first 2 weeks, the teacher will be working to build routines and social/emotional learning and understandings around being a student at school. Please plan accordingly for pick up and childcare during this time.

WEEK 1	Thurs. Sept 4 th	Fri. Sept 5 th
	8:35-10:40 am Send snack	8:35-10:40 am Send snack

WEEK 2	Mon. Sept 8 th	Tues. Sept 9 th	Wed. Sept 10 th	Thur. Sept 11 th	Fri. Sept 12 th
	8:35-10:40 am Send snack	8:35-10:40 am Send snack	8:35-10:40 am Send snack	*Regular Schedule 8:35-3:00pm *Snack & lunch	*Regular Schedule 8:35-12:08pm Send snack

PARENTS ARE ASKED TO PLAN TO STAY on Thursday, September 4th TO COMPLETE SCHOOL CHEQ SURVEY (approx.15 MINUTES)

Important Information:

- Please send your child with “inside shoes” and a washable refillable water bottle on the first day of school. Sturdy running shoes are recommended as they will be used for physical education. All shoes worn at school must be **close-toed (no flip-flops – sandals)**.
- Your child will need a recess snack and lunch everyday (once the regular schedule begins). **No lunch required on Fridays – just snack.**
- We encourage “fuel foods” for students during the school day and ask that pop, chips, candy etc. be kept for treats at home. There is no sharing of food at school.
- Please send food “ready to eat” and with as little waste packaging as possible. Student do NOT have access to microwaves.
- **The grade 3-5 classroom at MMES is NUT FREE classroom.** The rest of the school is **NUT AWARE**, meaning that nuts are allowed but cannot be shared or eaten in other spaces.
- Please see the attached kindergarten school supply list, if you have not already pre-ordered through the school.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to phone the school at 250-349-5665

Full days begin on Monday September 15th – Warning Bell @ 8:30 AM – dismiss at 3:00 PM Monday to Thursday & Friday dismissal is 12:08PM.

We look forward to seeing you and your child in September to begin an exciting year of learning!

Sincerely,
Crystal Woodworth
Principal, Martin Morigeau Elementary School