Division 10 Newsletter



Tuesday September 10, 2024

Dear Division 10 Families,

Hello and a warm welcome to new and returning families at Lochdale. My name is Mrs. Hon and I am your child's Grade 2/3 teacher for this school year. I look forward to getting to know all of you and working with a new class of students. I encourage you to have a home conversation to help your child adjust to changes in routines and expectations that come with being in a new grade and classroom. Below is some information pertaining to our class that will be of your interest. I welcome any questions you may have.

Sincerely, Mrs. Hon https://sd41blogs.ca/hons

Home-School Communication

To receive class updates by email and on my class blog, I am requesting at least one parent from each family to send me your email address **ASAP** at <u>sue.hon@burnabyschools.ca</u>. To help me identify you, please indicate who is your child in the class (e.g. I am the parent of...).

You can skip the above step if your child was in my class last year unless your email address has changed.

Attendance

Students who arrive after 9:00am need to report to the office. You may call the school at 604-296-9019 and leave a message if your child is unable to attend due to personal reasons (e.g. illness, appointment).

Snack Time

We will have a snack time in the morning each day. Please send bottled water and a healthy and nut-free snack for your child to have during this time. Healthy snacks such as fruit, cheese and carrot sticks are always encouraged ⁽²⁾. Try to avoid sending a lot of sugary foods such as cookies, candy or fruit juices. Please inform me if your child has a food allergy or dietary restriction.

Lunch

The school's lunch hour is from 12:00 to 12:57pm. Students have an outside recess from 12:00-12:35 and then return to the classroom for lunch. There is a noon hour supervisor patrolling the playground on outside days as well as the hallways on inside days. Each primary class will also have intermediate student lunch monitors.

Extra Clothes & Inside Shoes

I am asking parents to send extra clothes (e.g. top, pants, under garments & socks) in a plastic bag <u>labelled with your child's name</u> in case these are needed. Also, please send a pair of inside shoes to help prevent the transfer of dirt and mud onto other areas of the classroom as well as the gym, library and music room.

Personal Items

Aside from coming to school with their backpacks and jackets, students are <u>not</u> to bring any special or expensive items such as toys, Pokemon cards, sports equipment or jewelry that can be lost or damaged.

Birthdays

Each student's birthday will be acknowledged at school. You are welcome to send prepackaged nut-free snacks for your child to share with classmates.

Upcoming School Events

- Individual Student Photos (Thursday September 19)
- Welcome Back Picnic (Thursday September 19, 2:00-4:00pm)
- Pro-D Day (Friday September 20) No school for students
- Orange Shirt Day Assembly (Friday September 27)
- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (Monday September 30) School closed
- Welcoming Conversations (Tuesday October 2, 3:10-5:00pm) & Wednesday October 3, 2:10-5:00pm & early dismissal at 2:00pm)
- Terry Fox Run (Friday October 4)—More info to come



Best wishes to Katelyn with a September birthday!

