

Division 8 Newsletter



Tuesday September 9, 2025

Dear Division 8 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 working with a new group of students and getting to know all of you. I encourage you to have a home conversation with your child to help him/her adjust to changes in routines and expectations that come with being in a new grade. Below is some information about our class I hope you will find helpful and I welcome any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hon

<https://sd41blogs.ca/hons>

Home-School Communication

To receive class updates by email, I am requesting at least one parent from each family to send me your email address **ASAP** at sue.hon@burnabyschools.ca. To help me identify you, please indicate who is your child in the class (e.g. I am the parent of...). You can skip this step if your child was in my class last year.

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

Students will have a snack time in the classroom each morning. Please have your child bring bottled water and a healthy and nut-free snack. Healthy snacks such as fruit, cheese and carrot sticks are always encouraged ☺. Try to avoid sending sugary foods such as cookies, candy or fruit juice. Please let 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 labelled with your child's name in case these are needed. Also, please send a pair of inside shoes to help prevent transfer of dirt or 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 not to bring any personal items (e.g. toys, Pokémon cards, expensive 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 birthday snacks for your child to share with classmates.



Upcoming Events

- Welcome Back Picnic (Thursday September 18, 2:00-4:00pm)
- Pro-D Day (Friday September 19) – No school for students
- Individual Student Photos (Wednesday September 24)
- Terry Fox Run – (Friday September 26)—More info to come
- Orange Shirt Day Assembly (Monday September 29)
- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (Tuesday September 30) – School closed
- Welcoming Conversations – (Wednesday October 8)