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No School on Monday October 12th – Thanksgiving Monday

Well, we've been at it for a whole month and we are so proud of this community.

Friendships are blossoming, learning is happening and we are all getting used to much stricter routines than we've ever had before.

We've already seen some staffing changes.

We had to bid farewell to Mr. Thistle, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Crabb, and our custodian, Doug. They are venturing off to new positions within the school district. We wish them all the best.

We wish Ms. Clark a safe and happy delivery and time with her new babe.

A warm Vic West welcome to Ms. Patel coming to Division 12, Ms. Willson to Division 11, Ms. Budgell to division 8, Mr. Guitard to Division 1, and Ms. Houston to Division 10. Our new EA Jennifer Baker is already a familiar face to some and we welcome her to the team. Carol Chin, the new Secretary of Vic West, is

settling in after her first two weeks here and of course she loves our little neighborhood and community. Well, who wouldn't? Be sure to welcome her warmly when you call us in the office.

By now, most of you have had the opportunity to connect with your child's teacher at the interviews held this week and we hope you feel as we do, reassured that your children have the good fortune to have capable and caring people teaming with you to ensure their social and learning needs are being met.

It's astonishing that we are halfway through October already!!!

Please know that your questions and feedback are always welcome. We are just a phone call or email away.



Before and After school –

Please stay with your children until they are let in by the teacher and please continue to practice physical distancing with everyone including your learning group. It is difficult for children, adults, supervisors, etc. to identify who is in a particular student's learning group/bubble.

Thank you to everyone . We appreciate the challenges of **keeping your family bubble intact and exclusive** while on school property. Thank you! It is not the normal message you would get from schools when we want students to play, be social, and have



fun; however, during our new protocols your help is appreciated!

Parking at Vic West

There are certain areas that are unsafe and illegal to park in. In order for the morning and afternoon flow of traffic to remain safe to all persons on our school grounds, it is important for drivers to be aware of where it is ok to park and drop off/pick up.

- **Please do not park behind the school by the gym.** It is very difficult to be seen in that area, and there is a major safety concern for our students and staff.
- **Please do NOT park in the handicapped parking areas as these are needed by some of our community members.**
- **The drop off zone at the front of the school is not a parking lot. Please drop off your child and continue to depart with your vehicle from the drop off zone to enable other families to do the same.**



Late Arrivals/Early Departures - Please come to the main Office Door and call the office 250-382-9131 to be admitted.

Families will need to call the office and a staff member will meet the student at the front door and walk them to their classroom. If you are picking up your child before the end of the day, please contact the office and we will arrange to meet you with your child at the front doors.

Please note:

Supervision before school starts at 8:30 am

and after school supervision is until 2:53 pm.

Students in Cohorts 1-3 (Divisions 1 to 6) are expected to be with their families/child care by 2:23pm

AND Students in Cohorts 4-6 (Divisions 7 to 14) by 2:38pm.

Please do not linger on school grounds.

Picture Day is coming!!!

October 16th, 2020

Bring your best

Smiles.



Victoria West Elementary Daily Times/Bell Schedule	
School Starts	8:45 am (Cohorts 1-3) Division 1-6 9am (Cohorts 4-6) Division 7-14
Recesses	10:00-10:15 am (Cohorts 1-3) 10:20-10:35am (Cohorts 4-6)
Lunch Eating	11:45am– 12:15pm (Cohorts 4-6) 12:15– 12:45pm (Cohorts 1-3)
Lunch Playtime	11:30am– 12noon (Cohorts 1-3) 12:15– 12:45pm (Cohorts 4-6)
Dismissals	2:23pm (Cohorts 1-3) 2:38 pm (Cohorts 4-6)

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If the student feels ill or has any symptoms of illness, **the student will not come to school. If anyone in the household is ill, it is expected that family member is seeking assessment by health care provider or has called 811.**

