



Lac La Hache Elementary School

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Welcome back! I hope your family had a pleasant summer break and is excited for the upcoming school year. Please find included in this newsletter important information regarding school start-up.

The first day back to school is Wednesday, September 9th at 8:00am. This is an early dismissal day and students will be dismissed at 10:30am. Busses will run on this early dismissal schedule.

On their first day, all students will gather at the outdoor classroom by the buddy bench. Currently we will have a K-7 class. We urge our school community to be aware that some changes may be made after the first day based on registration and enrollment. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Students are asked to bring on the first day their indoor shoes, snack and water bottle.

If you haven't already peeked at our new school website, please do so here: [Home - Lac La Hache Elementary](#). You will find all pertinent information like the [Calendar - Lac La Hache Elementary](#), school events and updates, and important district information.

Bus Registration for the 2026-2027 School Year:

New and returning bus student must be registered for their school bus route to ride the bus. Please register with the bus garage: [Bus Registration](#). Updates to policy and frequently asked questions are listed on this page as well. You can find your stop at [Infofinder](#). All students riding the bus are expected to follow the [Transportation Protocols](#).

Bell Schedule:

Start Time:	8:00am
Recess:	9:45-10:00am
Lunch:	11:15-12:00pm
Dismissal:	1:54pm

School Supplies:

There is a [School Supplies](#) list on our website. Please start sending school supplies on the first full day of school (Sept 10th). Be aware that teachers may request additional supplies as needed.

Newsletters:

Monthly school newsletters and calendars will be posted to the Lac La Hache Elementary School website: [Newsletter - Lac La Hache Elementary](#)

Code of Conduct Review:

Our School Code of Conduct is a living document that we continually amend and adapt to ensure our school is safe and student expectations are clear. We encourage feedback from parents to ensure our Code of Conduct is clear and helps guide student behaviour. Please become familiar with our Code of Conduct and contact school administration with any questions or comments. [Lac La Hache - Code of Conduct](#)

Student Verification Forms:

Students Verification forms will be coming home the first week of school. Please ensure your information is correct. This is important for our records. We want to make sure we have the most up to date contact information.

Media Consent:

A media consent form will come home with your child the first week of September. Please note that if you give authorization to the school to share images of your child, they may appear on our website. Please consider this when signing and returning forms.

PAC (Parent Advisory Council):

A strong relationship between the school and parents is very important in a child's education, and one way of being involved with the school is to be a member of the PAC. Last year's PAC was a small but very dedicated group, which was really appreciated. We are hoping that the same will be true this year, and with your help, this can come true. We have positions to fill again this year, as well as the continual need for volunteers at specific events. Your involvement in small ways or bigger ways is appreciated by all! All parents are invited to attend Lac La Hache PAC meetings. Contact me todd.routtu@sd27.bc.ca or marnie.amiss@sd27.bc.ca if you are interested or want to know more.

Attendance:

To report an absence, please call the school: 250-396-7230 or send an email to the secretary marnie.amiss@sd27.bc.ca.

At this school and in our district, we believe that student attendance is important. There is a strong correlation between attendance and success in school. Students who miss more than 10% of school days are considered to have chronic absenteeism, which results in approximate 18 days a years, or about two days every month.

Communication:

Clear communication is an important part of the school and home relationship. Parents and caregivers' primary contact with the school is through the classroom teacher. A staff email directory is listed on our school website, please do not hesitate to reach out and begin a relationship with your child's classroom teacher as soon as we begin.

We look forward to starting off the year going forward in a good way. Please reach out if you have questions, updates or concerns todd.routtu@sd27.bc.ca.

Yours in education,

Mr. Todd Routtu – Principal
Lac La Hache Elementary