## Welcome to Bridgeview Elementary Start Up information 2021

We are all very excited to be getting back to school and we look forward to a successful year at Bridgeview! We would like to welcome all our new families and say "welcome back" to our returning families as well. This is a wonderful community and I am sure you will love our school. Below is some information to help you get ready for back to school.

At Bridgeview, we have a code of conduct for expected behaviour and both home and school work together to create a supportive environment where students act in a respectful and responsible manner. As Bridgeview Bears, we:

- Take care of ourselves
- Take care of others

## **HEALTH & SAFETY**

At Bridgeview we continue to put the health and safety of our students and staff at the forefront of our decision making. This year, the BC Ministry of Health is asking us to focus on the following:

**Mask Up-** All school staff, as well as students in grade 4-12, **must** wear a mask when indoors at school. Students in grade K-3 are also strongly encouraged to wear a mask in school. Please be sure to bring your clean mask each day at school. If you forget, we always have extras at the office.

Wash Up- All students will wash or sanitize their hands upon entry to school, at break times, and between activities.

**Back Up-** Students and staff are encouraged to be mindful of others personal space. While the requirement for maintaining 2m distance and the need for cohorts has been eliminated, we are still encouraging everyone to give others plenty of personal space.

**Vax Up-** Vaccines continue to be effective tool in protecting our community. If you have not been able to get your vaccine yet, and you are 12 or older, we encourage you to do so.

Please note that we will again require all students who are feeling ill to stay home until they are fully recovered.

## **ATTENDANCE**

If your children are NOT going to be in attendance on the first day(s) of school, please contact the office to let us know your plans.

## FIRST WEEK PLANS

For the first day of school only, students will follow the guidelines already sent to you:

- Students who were in Div 1 to Div 6 last year will go back to their last year's classroom
- Students who were in Div 7 with Ms. McCaw will go to the library
- Students who are brand new to Bridgeview will go to the gym

From Wednesday through Friday, students should look for signs telling them where they are to go for the rest of the week. Our goal is to welcome all of our students into the Bridgeview community though a variety of learning activities. This schedule allows us to confirm student numbers. We hope to have students into classes as soon as possible but this depends on our final enrolment numbers and staffing decisions made by the School District.

\*Kindergarten students received their gradual entry calendar that outlines the September routines. This information was also posted on our website for your reference.

We hope you enjoy your last few days of summer! See you next week!

Ms. D. Ellis Principal