



Ripple Rock Elementary

September 2023

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School Hours

8:30–2:15

LUNCH

11:30–12:15

DISMISSAL

2:15

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Happy September and welcome back to school!

We have had a great week of meeting up with friends and teachers, as well as getting back to school routines. It was great to hear summer stories of fun and adventure!

This afternoon, students met their new teacher and classmates. They had a quick introduction and learned where they will meet their class on Monday. Our kindergarten students are finishing their first week of gradual entry and are excited to learn what it is to be at school. As you can imagine, there is a tremendous amount of thought and conversation that goes into creating classes where students feel connected and supported. We know the first few days will be full of learning to be with new students and new routines. It can take some children a little longer to feel comfortable and settled, but we want to assure you that our skilled educators are working to support social, emotional and academic growth for your child. With a home and school team supporting each child, they will develop resilience and confidence that will serve them throughout their lives.

We want to give a huge thank you to our custodian team: Cassy Kirschner and Manesh Tom. The school is sparkling and ready to go. Also thank you to the maintenance team who has replaced siding and kept our grounds looking good and working well.

Finally, a big welcome to our new families joining Ripple Rock, as well as our returning families. Our doors are always open; we invite you to come in and say hello, as well as ask any questions you may have. We are looking forward to working with you.

September 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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4 Labour Day No School	5 School in session 8:25-10:15 Grade 1-5	6 Full Day Grade 1-5	7	8
11	12	13	14 Kindergarten bus tour	15
18	19 Open House 5:30-6:30	20	21 Picture Day 	22 Mellstrom/ Douglas/Wiese Sa- ratoga Beach
25	26 Terry Fox Run & Tour de Rock Visit	27	28	29

Ripple Rock Staff 2023 2024

Andrea Ritchie	Principal	Dana Roberts	Kʷakʷala/Likʷala
Michelle Nohr	VP / primary		Primary
Rebecca Kelly	Admin. Ass't	Maria Scholz	primary
Gabe Bello	primary	Carly Scott	Early primary
Brianna Brits	early primary	Amy Weiman	primary
Megan Cook	Intermediate	Elisa Welychko	learning support
Heather Demeo	early primary	Jenna Wiese	intermediate
Kirsten Dobler	Kʷakʷala/Likʷala	Catherine Wilson	ELL/ Indigenous
			Ed. support
Garth Douglas	intermediate	Sophie Arbore	EA
Erin Galloway	primary	Shelley Brand	EA
Erin Gallup	intermediate	Adrienne Hennessy	EA
Kimberley Gardiner	intermediate/	Kendra Knutson	EA
	Primary prep	Cheyenne Pickering	EA
Jenaca Germyn	teacher librarian	Pat Stewart	EA
Natasha Hogan	Kʷakʷala/Likʷala	Rebecca Suurhoff	EA
3 /4		Cassy Kirschner	Custodian
Sheila Little	Music	Peggy Dick	Indigenous EA
Tara Mellstrom	intermediate/	Amber Robinson	EA
	Learning support	Lindsay Boulter	EA
Heather Reinholt	primary	Linda Duffin	Ind. Ed. Youth
		Emily Aiken	Worker
			Language and
			culture

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Hunter L

Oliver C K

Max A

Aria A

Emilee H

Max H

Amaya J

Demia A

Elena F

Eugene H

Kai O

Kingsley E

Thomas W

Axl M

Brady J

Brooke C

Lennon F

Gordon B

Emelia P

Eva W

Holden B

Carder V

Kaitlyn N





E-mail!

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES

In order to make life easier for families, we have purchased a bulk order of school supplies again this year. Students will have exactly what each teacher would like them to have and you don't have to do the shopping.

If you would like to purchase school supplies through the school, \$45 will cover all necessary supplies for the school year.

Money can be paid by e-transfer to ripplerock@sd72.bc.ca (specify child's name) or by cash at the office. The office will be open again on Tuesday, August 29 for in-person payment.



SCHOOL DISTRICT 72 CAMPBELL RIVER

2023-2024 CALENDAR

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- Instructional
- Non-Instructional
- Vacation Period
- Statutory Holiday
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Administrative day
- Student led conference

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- Aug. 31 Pro-D Day
- Sept. 4 Labour Day
- Sept. 5 Schools Open
- Oct. 2 Schools Closed - Truth & Reconciliation Day
- Oct. 9 Schools Closed - Thanksgiving
- Oct. 20 Pro-D Day
- Nov. 1 Student-Led Conference Day
Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
- Nov. 13 Schools Closed - Remembrance Day
- Dec. 25 - Winter Break
- Jan. 5 Pro-D Day
- Jan. 8 Pro-D Day
- Feb. 16 Pro-D Day
- Feb. 19 Schools Closed - Family Day
- Mar. 18 - Spring Break
- Mar. 28 Schools Closed - Good Friday
- Mar. 29 Schools Closed - Easter Monday
- Apr. 1 Student-Led Conference Day
Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
- Apr. 25 Pro-D Day
- May 6 Pro-D Day
- May 20 Schools Closed - Victoria Day
- June 28 Schools Closed - Administration Day

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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