



WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

SEPTEMBER 2026



DEAR PARKHILL FAMILIES

We are continuing to work hard as we prepare for the first day of school! Our teachers and staff have been busy getting classrooms ready, and we are excited to welcome our students and families back to Parkhill.

As the community around Parkhill School continues to grow, so does our school. Due to increased enrollment, we have added an additional homeroom class. We have contacted families affected by this change. Updated staff information is available on our school website: parkhill@hsd.ca.

MUSIC PROGRAM UPDATE

Mrs. Keira Wychnenka is on maternity leave for the 2026–2027 school year. As we have not found a music teacher to fill her position, we will be offering Creative Arts classes this year.

Creative Arts will give students opportunities to explore music, drama, art, movement, and outdoor learning through a variety of engaging, creative experiences. We are pleased to welcome Ms. Tavia Funk, who will be teaching Creative Arts to our K–4 students this year.

SCHOOL SUPPLY FEES – \$40

You can pay school supply fees online through the Parent Portal or by bringing cash to the school office.

WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BRING?

For information about school supplies and what your child should bring for the first day, please visit the Parkhill School website.

MEET THE TEACHER – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Please join us for Meet the Teacher on Wednesday, September 9, from 4:00–6:00 p.m. Please note the updated time.

This is a casual, come-and-go event. Families are invited to visit their child's classroom, meet their teacher, drop off requested school supplies and indoor shoes, and visit other areas of the school.

Kindergarten Meet the Teacher is done by appointment. Please contact the school to arrange an appointment.

Your child's homeroom teacher information is available through the Parent Portal. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 204-346-7740.

PARKING, DROP-OFF & PICK-UP AT PARKHILL SCHOOL

The beginning of the school year is busy as everyone learns new routines. **Safety is our priority**, and we appreciate your patience and cooperation as we establish safe and efficient arrival and dismissal procedures.

Important Things to Know

- Traffic through the school grounds is **one-way only**. Please follow the designated entrance and exit.
- Parking on school grounds is limited. Additional street parking is available along the **west side of Parkland Drive**.
- When possible, please consider walking or carpooling to help reduce traffic congestion.
- The **bus loop at the rear** of the school is reserved for buses and staff parking.
- **The daycare loop is not to be used for morning drop-off.**
- At afternoon dismissal, the daycare loop may be used **only by families picking up a Kindergarten student**. If you are also picking up children in older grades, please use the regular parking areas rather than the daycare loop.

WALKING/BIKING

A staff member will be present at the crosswalk on McKenzie Avenue at the Parkland Drive and Windsor Gate intersection. Between the hours of 8:40am - 8:55am and 3:40pm - 3:55pm.

Students are not permitted to drive electric scooters to school.

There are bike racks available. Reminder that all students are required to wear helmets

MORNING DROP-OFF

Playground supervision begins at 8:40 a.m., and students will enter the school at 8:50 a.m.

The parking spaces along the sidewalk directly in front of the school are drop-off only in the morning. Please remain in your vehicle and have your child exit safely.

If you would like to get out of your vehicle and walk your child to the playground, please park in the parking lot or on the street rather than using the drop-off spaces.

AFTERNOON PICK-UP

Students will be ready for pick-up at 3:40 p.m.

- Students will gather by grade level at the front of the school. Signs will help families locate the correct grade group.
- Families may meet their children directly at their grade-level gathering area.
- If your child has permission to walk home independently, please notify their classroom teacher **in writing**.
- Students will **not be sent into the parking lot alone**. An adult must meet them and accompany them to the vehicle.

We know that arrival and dismissal can feel busy during the first few days of school. Thank you for your patience as students, families, and staff become familiar with these routines. Working together will help us keep everyone safe and make drop-off and pick-up run smoothly.

FROM EVERYONE HERE AT PARKHILL

We look forward to seeing our Parkhill families on Wednesday and to welcoming all our students on Thursday for another wonderful school year!

Don't forget:

Our website is a great place for updated information on what is happening here at Parkhill School

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Thank you for all your continued support.
Parkhill School