



HUDSON ROAD ELEMENTARY

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June 3, 2020

Dear HRE Families,

Re: Kindergarten Student Registration for September 2020

Welcome to our Hudson Road learning community and thank you for choosing our school for your child's Kindergarten learning experience! At this time, we have only accepted registrations for those students within our catchment area.

Normally at this time of year, your family would be invited into our school for:

- a Kindergarten orientation meeting,
- a tour of the school and
- a social meet and greet

Given these unprecedented times, we have had to change the format of our Kindergarten orientation from an in-person experience to a remote (on-line) opportunity. In place of our May/June Kindergarten orientation event, we are opting to provide you with the following information:

1. Student Survey:

To get to know your child better, we ask parents/guardians to complete this survey found at the link below. This information will help support class placement and composition.

Survey Link: <https://forms.gle/GnNCi1HpgZJtUHcE9>

2. Kindergarten Introduction :

See the attached:

- Kindergarten Orientation slide deck as a highlight to some information that will help you anticipate the start of your child's schooling – in particular, it describes Social Emotional Readiness for young children.
- Introductory videos:
 - [Introductory Video](#)
 - [School Tour](#)
- Kindergarten brochure

3. Learning Bag:

A unique 'gift bag' to help with your child's readiness has been prepared for each child and can be picked up at the school on:

- Wednesday, June 10th between 10:00 am – 11:00 am,
- Wednesday, June 17th between 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm and
- Wednesday June 24th between 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm.



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The bags will be placed on tables outside the school in alphabetical order. We ask that you practice physical distancing as you pick up your child's learning bag. The bag contains some numeracy, literacy activities, parent information sheets, some school supplies, and a storybook.

4. Watch for a late June Letter:

A letter will be sent out in late June outlining the 'gradual start-up' and entry plan into Kindergarten. Our district has always acknowledged the need for gradual entry into Kindergarten. Now, more than ever, this vital transition phase is aimed to set students up for success for the rest of their school years. This involves a variety of visits, communications and opportunities to connect young children and their families with their schools leading up to the first full day of Kindergarten on Wednesday, September 16th. If you do not receive a letter in late June, please call the school (250-870-5141) to confirm the correct contact information.

We are looking forward to meeting you and your child, and as partners in education, we are committed, like yourselves to the growth and development of your child. Parents, you are a fundamental part of a child's education. For your child to be successful at school, we need you to become involved and remain active throughout each school year. Please check out our website for up-to date information:

<http://www.hre.sd23.bc.ca/>

Your child is now officially a "HUDSON HAWK."

Sincerely,

Violeta Malfair, Principal