



Welcome to Kindergarten at Mathxwi Elementary School!

August 25, 2025

Welcome! We are so excited to welcome your child to Mathxwi Elementary this Fall. Here is a welcome message for your child from our Kindergarten team:

Welcome to your new school! (3) There will be many interesting things to do and discover in Kindergarten. We'll make new friends, read stories, study letters, words, and numbers, learn about our world around us, play games, sing songs, paint pictures, build things, explore iPads, and lots, lots more. We can't wait to meet you!

To help parents plan for the first two weeks, here is some information about how things will unfold. Tuesday, September 2nd will start with a parent meeting at 9:15 in the library. Yes, your child can attend but we will be speaking to the adults about what to expect. Then, **September 2nd and 3rd are dedicated to 15-minute interviews.** This is a wonderful opportunity for us to meet each other in the Kindergarten classroom. This is time for your child to come into the classroom with the comfort of a parent to visit and meet the teachers.

From **September 4th - September 12th** students are invited to a variety of **Gradual Entry Small Group Sessions** where they will work with their classmates. This enables us to introduce beginning routines in a smaller setting and provide more individualized attention. We ask that your child attend school during the times marked with their group on the calendar below. Please drop off and pick up your child at the exterior door of the school, Room 121.

Please drop your child off at the assigned classroom the morning of Monday, Sept. 15th. This is the first full day of Kindergarten from 9:05 am – 2:58 pm.

Busing

Busing for Kindergarten students will begin on Monday, **Sept. 15th** for those families who have registered for their child to take the bus. Please visit the following website for busing registration and information: <u>https://www.abbyschools.ca/busing</u>

Kindergarten School Supplies

All of your child's supplies will be purchased for the year. Payment for school supplies in the amount of \$45 can be made online through: <u>https://www.schoolcashonline.ca</u> Please visit the above listed website to register for **School Cash Online**. If you require support in setting this up, feel free to visit the Mathxwi Elementary office for help during the last week of August. Parents will receive an email notification when the payment has been assigned to their account. We are 100% online for payments of fees and activities for everything throughout the year!

Other school supplies needed in Kindergarten:

Inside Shoes: need to be non-marking soles, Velcro (non- tie up), non-light up that your child can change by themselves many times throughout the day. Please send your child's inside shoes to school starting Monday, September 8th. Make sure their names are on their shoes.

Backpack: large enough to carry big library books and other classroom supplies coming back and forth from school and home and easy for child to zip up by themselves.

Lunch Kit: easy to open and close for child

Rain Pants: As we have outdoor recess nearly every day, it is extremely important that all students have their own set of rain pants.

Please have students independently practice taking their inside shoes on and off, opening and closing their backpack, zipping up their coats and opening and closing lunch kit and containers.

Should you have any questions, please contact the school office (604) 826-8181. See you soon!

Sincerely,

Ms. Z & Mrs. Gaudet