

**September 2021**

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Dear Parent/Guardians,

**W**elcome to the 2021 - 2022 school year at Sardis Elementary. If you have returning children, I hope you are ready for another great year. If you are new to Sardis, I hope you will soon feel at home here.

My name is Janine McCurdy and I have the pleasure of being the Principal of Sardis Elementary and Brad Hagkull is our amazing Vice Principal. It has been an exciting two weeks as we reconnected with students and also met a lot of new students. We moved students into classes last Friday and students were excited to finally know their teachers.

If your child came home with worries about where they were placed, please know that placement was carefully considered. Our enrollment has required the need for some “single” grade classrooms as well as some “combined” grade classrooms. Please be assured that **ALL** students will receive the educational program they need. Chris Wejr has an interesting blog about split classes.

[http://chriswejr.com/2012/09/09/will-my-child-be-ok-in-a-split-class/?fbclid=IwAR1HDPjv1-9CQGsAfw9WU3Y0PhE7uJcXolWeUOVPcctxZlj\\_m3ApPQXSXJk](http://chriswejr.com/2012/09/09/will-my-child-be-ok-in-a-split-class/?fbclid=IwAR1HDPjv1-9CQGsAfw9WU3Y0PhE7uJcXolWeUOVPcctxZlj_m3ApPQXSXJk)

Communication is an area that is extremely important and we are trying to improve the way that information is sent home. Here are some ways that we use to keep everyone informed:

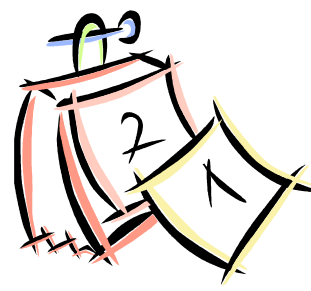
1. Monthly newsletters will be sent home by email the first Friday of every month. There will also be paper copies available at the office.
2. Our school website, <http://sardis.sd33.bc.ca/> is kept up to date.

It is also vital that you communicate with us, so if your child is going to be absent, please call the school at 604 858-7145.

Also, if there is any information that is necessary for us to know in order to provide the best educational environment possible, please contact your child’s teacher or phone the office.

Until next month!  
Janine

### Calendar of Events



Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – PAC Meeting @ 7 PM  
 Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> – Cops for Cancer @ 8:45 AM  
 Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> - Meet the Teacher (5-6 PM)  
 Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> – Individual Photo Day  
 Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – Terry Fox Run  
 Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – Truth and Reconciliation Day - No School  
 Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> – Early Dismissal @ 11:36 AM  
 Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Day – No School  
 Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Professional Development Day  
 Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – Halloween  
 Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – Photo Retake Day  
 Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – Early Dismissal @ 11:36 AM  
 Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Assembly  
 Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day  
 Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day

Welcome!



We are very lucky to have some new staff members joining us at Sardis Elementary.

Please extend a warm Sardis welcome to Mrs. Flueckiger, who is teaching Grade K/1 and Mrs. Teichrob, who is our new counsellor.

Verification Forms

Verification Forms are being sent home this week. They will be printed on Bright Green paper. Please check backpacks for this form. Please ensure that all the information on the form is accurate, make any corrections and then send it back to school by next Friday. Throughout the school year, if contact information changes, please let the office know so that our records are correct. Thank you

Meet the Teacher Night

On Thursday, September 23rd, from 5 – 6:00 PM More information will be sent out next week, but please circle the date on your calendar. Hope to see you there.

Coupon Books

Our PAC is currently selling The Great Little Coupon Book for \$12.00. We have both the Chilliwack and Abbotsford books. Order forms are going home today with students. There are a lot of great savings and the school benefits from every coupon book purchased.



Truth & Reconciliation Day

There will be NO school for students on Thursday, September 30th as we recognize Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Terry Fox Run



Sardis Elementary will be having their annual Terry Fox Run on Wednesday, September 29th. We will be using to our school field as well as Sardis Park to complete our run.

Photo Day



Individual photos will be taken on Friday, September 24th. Mountain West Studios will be taking the photos. More information will be sent home closer to the date.

PAC Meeting

Our first PAC meeting of the year will take place, Monday, September 20th @ 7 PM in the Gym. All parents are invited to attend, but will be required to sanitize, sign in and wear a mask. Thanks for your support!

Bell Schedule

Please do not send your children to school before 8:15 as that is when supervision begins.

- 8:25 School Entry Bell
- 8:30 Morning classes begin
- 10:15 Recess begins
- 10:30 Recess ends
- 12:10 Lunch begins
- 12:59 Lunch ends
- 2:36 Dismissal



**Sardis Elementary Staff**

Administration

Ms. J. McCurdy, Principal  
Mr. B. Hagkull, Vice Principal & LA / Prep Teacher

Classroom Teachers

Kindergarten – Mrs. D. Forrest, Mrs. A. Hipwell,  
Ms. M. Greenwood, Mrs. G. Anderson,  
Mrs. S. Flueckiger

Grade 1 – Mrs. S. Flueckiger, Ms L. Lacerte,  
Ms. V. Rempel, Mrs. A. Veenendaal,  
Mrs. A. LaRoy

Grade 2 – Mrs. P. Duval, Mrs. L. Murphy,  
Mrs. A. O’Grady, Mrs. A. Veenendaal

Grade 3 – Mrs. S. Bateman, Mrs. R. Herrin,  
Mrs. E. Kadar, Mrs. J. Neufeld, Mrs. J. Price

Grade 4 - Mrs. S. Bateman, Mrs. J. Neufeld,  
Mrs. S. Mulder, Mrs. C. Noer  
Mr. R. Klassen

Grade 5 – Mrs. A. Dow, Ms. C. Halvorson,  
Mr. R. Klassen

Support Teachers

Mr. C. Hunt, Teacher-Librarian  
Mrs. J. Jackson, K/1 Intervention & Resource Teacher  
Mrs. J. Johnston, Learning Assistance Teacher  
Mrs. M. Cavanagh, Prep Teacher  
Mrs. A. LaRoy, Prep Teacher  
Mrs. H. Brown, ELL/ESD Teacher  
Mrs. H. Logan, Speech-Language Pathologist  
Mrs. L. Teichrob, Counsellor

Administrative Assistants

Mrs. L. Sumner, TBA

Education Assistants

Mrs. K. Croucher, Mrs. A. Irvine, Mrs. W. Lillicrap,  
Mrs. S. Piper, Mrs. C. Barbosa, Mrs. T. Perkins,  
Ms. K. Chambet

Indigenous Support

Ms. C. Duerksen, Ms. V. Joe

Custodians

Mr. L. Moore, Mr. D. Tjepkema

Supervision Assistants

Mrs. D. Bonner, Mrs. L. Jones, Ms. N. Mirshamsi,  
Mrs. R. Montgomery, TBA



### Sardis Elementary 2021-2022 School Calendar

Days in Session	182
Number of Instructional Days	175
Number of Non-Instructional Days	6
Schools Open	September 7 Early Dismissal (10:36am)
Truth and Reconciliation Day – Statutory Holiday	September 30
EARLY DISMISSAL 11:36am	October 8
Thanksgiving Day - Statutory Holiday	October 11
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #1 (Pro-D Day)	October 22 (Provincial)
EARLY DISMISSAL 11:36am	November 5
Remembrance Day - Statutory Holiday	November 11
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #2	November 12 (School Based)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #3	November 26
Schools Close for Christmas Holidays	December 17
Christmas Holidays	December 20 to January 3
Schools Reopen after Christmas Holidays	January 4
EARLY DISMISSAL 11:36am	February 17
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #4 (Pro-D Day)	February 18 (District)
Family Day - Statutory Holiday	February 21
Schools Close for Spring Vacation	March 18
Spring Vacation Period	March 21- April 1
Schools Reopen after Spring Vacation	April 4
Good Friday - Statutory Holiday	April 15
Easter Monday - Holiday	April 18
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #5 (Pro-D Day)	April 29 (CTA)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #6	May 20
Victoria Day - Statutory Holiday	May 23
EARLY DISMISSAL 11:36am	May 27
Last Day for Students	June 23 Early Dismissal 11:36am
Administrative Day	June 24