



Gordon Greenwood Elementary School

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Newsletter #1

September 11th, 2026

<i>Date</i>	<i>Upcoming Events</i>
Sept. 14	Send School Supplies to New Classes
Sept. 18	Motivational Magic Presentation
Sept. 24	Meet the Teacher Night
Sept. 25	School Improvement Day (Students not in Attendance)
Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day
Sept. 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)

Bell Schedule for 2026-2027

8:40- Welcoming Bell
8:45- School Day Starts
10:20- Recess Starts
10:35- Recess Ends
11:57- Playtime
12:30- Eating Period Begins
12:40- Eating Period Ends
2:32- School Day Ends

Breakfast Club:

Breakfast club will begin on Monday, September 14th. It is accessible for any of our students that would like to come by and have some breakfast to start the day. Breakfast club will take place in the gym and will run between 8:10am and 8:35am.

Official Class Placement Update:

Hello Gordon Greenwood Families,

Our first week of school has come to an end. It was great to reconnect with our students and families throughout the week. I could feel the excitement throughout the school and students adjusting to routines of being at school.

On Monday, September 14th, students will return to the classes they were in this past week. Our new Kindergarten students will carry on with their Kindergarten gradual entry schedule. On Monday, students will be assigned to their official classrooms during the school day. At the end of the day, students will return to the classes from the morning drop off, so that there is no confusion for pickup. On Monday, your child(ren) will be coming home with a

letter sharing which class they will be attending for the year. Beginning on Tuesday, September 15th, students will be attending their official classrooms. We appreciate your patience as much time and thought has been spent on creating the classrooms with the district's guidelines in class size and composition. Please see the chart below to see where your child is to be dropped off and picked up on Monday. Kindly send school supplies on Monday as students settle into their first full week of school.

Kindest regards,

Alan Joo

Thankful to be the Principal at Gordon Greenwood

Last Year's Division	Last year's Teacher	Where do I go for the first week?	Teacher for the first week and on Monday, September 14th .
1	Chan	Rm 147	Chan
2	O'Neill	Rm 142	Forrest
3	Forrest	Rm 142	Forrest
4	Gill	Rm 140	Gill
5	McLean/Woelders	Rm 141	McLean/Woelders
6	Laforce/Hundal	Rm 151	Kim
7	Cogorno	Rm 149	Cogorno
8	Hallen/Mills	Rm 150	Hallen/Mills
9	Miller/Sutherland	Rm 164	Miller/Mills
10	Peterson	Rm 166	Chijiwa/Knowlson
11	Shergill	Rm 153	Bardal/Laskiowski
12	Armstrong/Oliva	Rm 152	Coers
13	Johnson/Woelders	Rm 161	Johnson/Woelders
14	Wilkinson	Rm 147	Chan
15	Morrison	Rm 140	Gill

School District #35 (Langley)
2026-2027 School Calendar
Elementary Schools

MONTH	DATE	
September	Sep 7 (M)	Labour Day (School Closed)
	Sep 8 (T)	School Opens
	Sep 25 (F)	School Improvement Day (Students Not in Attendance)
	Sep 30 (W)	Truth and Reconciliation Day (School Closed)
October	Oct 12 (M)	Thanksgiving (School Closed)
	Oct 23 (F)	Professional Development Day (Provincial - Students Not in Attendance)
November	Nov 11 (W)	Remembrance Day (School Closed)
	Nov 20 (F)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students Not in Attendance)
December	Dec 2 (W)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Dec 3 (Th)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
	Dec 17 (Th)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 5 (T)	School Re-Opens After Winter Break
February	Feb 8 (M)	Professional Development Day (District - Students Not in Attendance)
	Feb 15 (M)	Family Day (Schools Closed)
March	Mar 3 (W)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 4 (Th)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 12 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 26 (F)	Good Friday (School Closed)
	Mar 29 (M)	Easter Monday (School Closed)
	Mar 30 (T)	School Re-Opens After Spring Break
April	Apr 12 (M)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students Not in Attendance)
May	May 21 (F)	Professional Development Day (District - Students Not in Attendance)
	May 24 (M)	Victoria Day (School Closed)
June	Jun 29 (T)	Final Learning Update & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
	Jun 30 (W)	Administrative Day (Students Not in Attendance)
July / August		Summer Session

APPROVED: SD35 Board of Education Meeting
April 28, 2026

Parent Code of Conduct

The Langley School District is committed to fostering safe and caring schools that promote mutual respect, cooperation, and social responsibility, and support optimal learning. Trauma Informed Practices and Procedures promote the creation and maintenance of safe, inclusive, equitable, welcoming, and nurturing school environments.

*Families play an important role in helping students achieve success as well as helping create a compassionate learning community. Just as students are expected to follow the District's **Student Code of Conduct**, there is an expectation for parents/guardians to uphold the District's **Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct**.*



Our goal is to create compassionate learning communities that are both academically and socially inclusive. Parents and Guardians play an essential role in the achievement of this goal in both physical and online spaces.

EVERY PARENT AND GUARDIAN CAN EXPECT TO:

- be treated with and have their child treated with respect and courtesy.
- have their family's privacy respected.
- be consulted with about their child's educational programming.
- speak to teachers and administrators when they have questions, concerns or need information, and bring along a support person.
- feel safe in receiving services from the school.
- have their concerns listened and responded to promptly and respectfully.
- have their school and community treated respectfully by others on social media platforms.

EVERY PARENT AND GUARDIAN IS EXPECTED TO:

- treat others and their children with respect and courtesy.
- respect the privacy of other students, parents, caregivers and staff.
- consult with teachers and administrators about their child's educational programming when asked.
- communicate with school staff in a respectful manner.
- ensure their actions provide school staff with a workplace free of harassment, intimidation, threats and violence.
- address concerns by following the [Guidelines for Reporting an Issue or Concern](#) process.
- use social media platforms responsibly and avoid engaging in discussions that harm the school or community.

Any person who disrupts or interrupts the proceedings of a school may be directed by a principal, or their designate, to leave the school premises. Any person who engages in abusive, threatening, or harassing communication may have their communication with school staff restricted.

Students Requiring Nursing Support Services (NSS)

Delegated Care Plans:

- Families must register for NSS through their Family Doctor
- Direct them to <http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/sunny-hill-health-centre/our-services/nursing-support>

Reminder about Closed Campus during school hours:

Just a reminder that all schools including Gordon Greenwood Elementary school are closed campuses. If families need to drop off lunch or belongings for their child, you are to drop them off at the office. Parents, guardians and caregivers are not to be using playgrounds during school hours. All visitors that are volunteering need to sign-in and sign-out at the office. If you are volunteering at the school, there will be further details coming regarding new procedures from the School District, which involves a criminal record check that will be implemented across the District. Thank you in advance for helping keep our students safe.

Attendance/Absence

If your child is going to be absent, arriving late, away or leaving early due to an appointment, please notify the school of your child's absence before 8:30 am by doing either of the following:

E-mail GGEAttendance@sd35.bc.ca with information including:

- Student First Name and Last Name
- Grade
- Division
- Length of Absence
- Reason (illness, late, appointment, vacation)

OR

1. Call **604-882-0114** and follow the prompts for the attendance line and leave a message with information including:
 - Student First Name and Last Name
 - Grade
 - Division
 - Length of Absence
 - Reason (illness, late, appointment, vacation)

E-scooters/E-bikes Guidelines in Langley Schools:



The Langley School District has new guidelines around the use and storage of e-scooters and e-bikes at our schools. **E-scooters and e-dirt bikes are prohibited on all school sites. This ban applies for elementary, middle, and secondary schools.** Legally, e-pedal bikes are permissible at secondary schools; light e-bikes for students aged 14 and 15, and standard e-bikes for students aged 16 and older. E-pedal bikes are permissible at all schools for adults. Health and safety are a priority. Please have conversations with your child about these guidelines and help us maintain a healthy, safe, and positive learning environment. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your school administrator. For more information, visit the district website [here](#)

Parent Consent Forms on MyEdBC

Each year, Langley Schools asks families to complete a set of parent consent forms for their child. These consent forms are required by our schools to ensure the health, safety, and security of all students. Beginning in this school year, Langley Schools will be using the MyEdBC parent portal to collect this information. During the second week of school, please watch for an email from the MyEdBC system notifying families to log in to the MyEdBC parent portal to complete the online consent forms.

A set of consent forms will need to be completed for each child attending a Langley school. It is advised to access MyEdBC and complete the parent consent forms using a desktop or laptop as the process requires the full site version (which is not mobile-friendly). For step-by-step instructions, please read [here](#). More information can be found on the District website [here](#).

If your email address or contact information has changed, please call your school to correct it in our files. If you have not received an email regarding consent forms by the end of September or have any questions/concerns, please contact your school administrator.

School Vaccination Information for Parents

Getting vaccinated on schedule is the best way to protect yourself from many dangerous diseases. Public health regularly checks immunization records for students in Grades 6 and 9 to help make sure they are up to date on vaccines.

We offer all routine vaccines needed for students in Grades 6 and 9 when students are in school.

Families can check their child's immunization records online to see if they need any vaccines by logging into immunizationconsent.gov.bc.ca/s/ then looking at "Immunization forecast".



Give consent for the child's vaccines online

This year, students, parents, or caregivers of students in Grades 6 and 9 have the option to provide consent for vaccines online. **You can fill out consent now or any time before the school clinic.**

To give online consent for immunizations, scan this QR code or go to immunizationconsent.gov.bc.ca/s/.



Note: If you identify as Indigenous (First Nations, Métis or Inuit), please contact your local health unit to learn about additional vaccines that may be available to Indigenous students.

If vaccines are needed, please see [Vaccines | HealthLink BC](#) for more information on the specific vaccine your child needs.

What if the child had vaccines but they are not on their immunization record?

If the child's record is missing vaccines they already had, please do the following:

1. Find the paper record at home, if one was given to you at the time of vaccination.
2. If you do not have records at home, contact the health care provider who gave the vaccines and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
3. Report the immunizations by:
 - Scanning this QR code to submit the records
 - or
 - Submitting it online by going to: FraserHealth.ca/immunizationform.



For more information

- B.C.'s immunization schedule: [Immunizations schedule for children | HealthLink BC](#)
- Fraser Health information and resources on immunizations: FraserHealth.ca/immunize

If you have questions, please call your local public health unit.

Public Health Units					
Abbotsford 604-864-3400	Agassiz 604-793-7160	Burnaby 604-918-7605	Chilliwack 604-702-4900	Cloverdale 604-575-5100	Guildford 604-587-4750
Hope 604-860-7630	Langley 604-539-2900	Maple Ridge 604-476-7000	Mission 604-814-5500	New Westminster 604-777-6740	TriCities (Port Moody) 604-949-7200
Newton 604-592-2000	North Delta 604-507-5400	North Surrey 604-587-7900	South Delta 604-952-3550	White Rock 604-542-4000	

Pickup and Dropoff at Gordon Greenwood

GORDON GREENWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARKING LOT & DRIVE THROUGH INFORMATION

- ***The area closest to the school is a pickup and drop off lane ONLY***, similar to the configuration you've likely seen at an airport. No parking and/or waiting will be allowed at any time in this lane. This also applies at the end of the day for pickup of students.
- ***The critical congestion times are 8:30-8:45 a.m. and 2:25-2:45 p.m.*** Please be mindful of these times when planning your day and dropping off or picking up your child(ren).
- ***The middle area is a lane that is for drive through traffic ONLY.*** Stopping, parking, picking up children or dropping off passengers in this lane is dangerous, inconsiderate, and will not be tolerated.
- ***Angled parking in front of the school is for staff members only.*** This will reduce the possibilities for conflicts in the parking lot as these cars generally do not need to be backed up during the most congested periods of the day.



If you park or wait in the drop off lane, you risk being towed. You're kidding, right?

NO. We're not kidding. You will **NOT** be able to park and leave your car, or park and wait in your car at any point along the front of the school. This will ensure that a steady flow of traffic can circulate in the parking lot safely. **The critical congestion times are 8:30-8:45 a.m. and 2:25-2:45 p.m.** If you need to park and wait for your child(ren), please do so in the parent and visitor parking lot. Thank you in advance for your support.

When do these parking and drop off expectations start?

When you arrive on the first day of school, the configuration will be in use.

What will happen if I still choose to ignore the new regulations?

Our administrative and teaching staff on morning and afternoon supervision duty, wearing bright orange vests, will let you know if you're acting in an unsafe manner or in a manner that is contrary to our parking and drive through expectations. Your respect for our staff who are out on supervision in the interest of the safety of our students and families is requested and appreciated.

But I HAVE to drive. What am I supposed to do in September?

Consider these options:

- drop your child off a few minutes earlier or pick them up a few minutes later when congestion has eased. The level of supervision before and after school is comparable to recess or lunch time. Please feel that your students are safe for a few minutes while traffic eases. Even ten minutes makes a huge difference to the amount of congestion in the lot.
- if your children are older, have them walk to a set meeting point away from the congested area at the front of the school.
- park outside of the parking lot and walk in. You'll feel less stressed, get some fresh air, and be acting as a positive role model for your children.

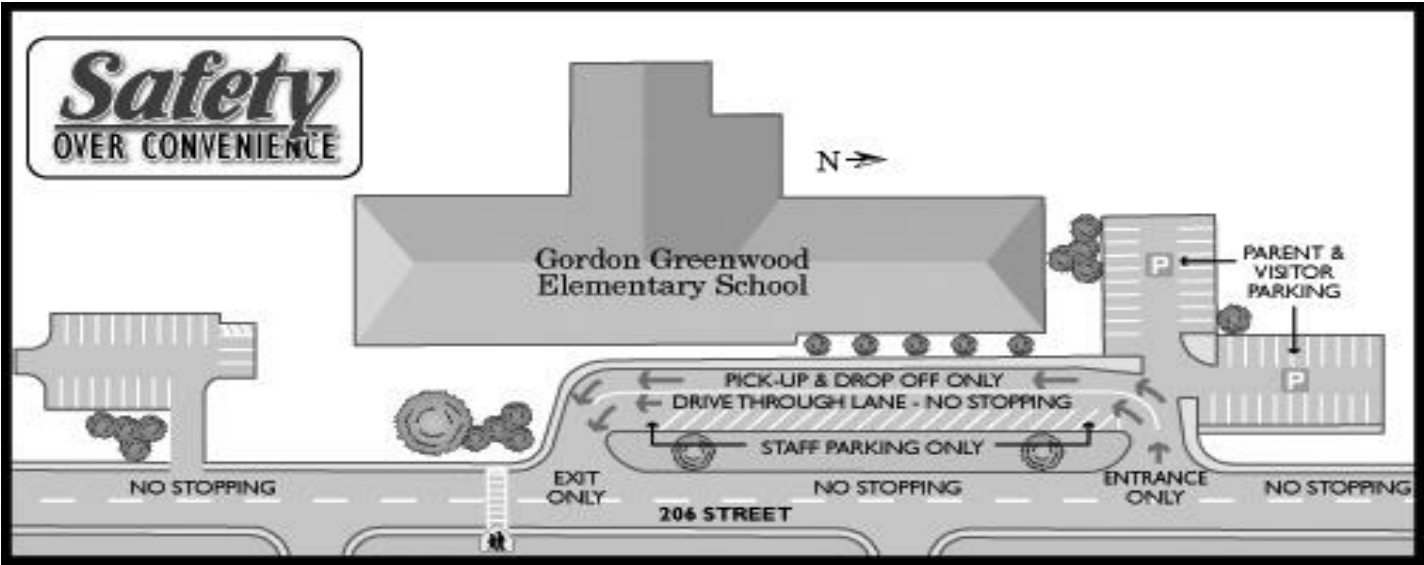


How were these parking & drop-off procedures decided on?

These improvements were the result of many months of research and assessment by the Gordon Greenwood Elementary Safer School Travel Committee. This committee has had input from the School Administration, parent volunteers, the School District, and the Township of Langley's Engineering Department. Yes, change is difficult – but these measures are being implemented with the interest of improving safety for our students, staff, and families. Thank you for your cooperation during our time of transition. Please contact the office for further information or to volunteer to help supervise traffic flow. Your assistance is always

appreciated.

REMEMBER: SAFETY FOR ALL OVER CONVENIENCE FOR SOME.



VIDEO: Overview of the District Website

*The District is sharing a 7-minute video to give students, staff, and parents an overview of the new District website. In this video, you will learn about new key features including a translation function, accessibility adjustments, and insights on how content is organized to help users navigate. Watch **HERE**.*

Meet the Teacher Night on September 24th:

Meet the Teacher Night will be on September 24th at 5:00pm. This will be an open house evening where your children can introduce you to their classroom teacher and show you the room. This is not a time for individual parent teacher interviews. If you have any concerns, please remember to contact your child's teacher. Grade 7 parents will also have an opportunity to sign-up for grade 7 roles for the year at Meet the Teacher Night. Teachers are currently working on formative assessments to provide instruction for their students and will have more to share at Student Inclusive Conferences in November.

PAC NEWS

PAC EXECUTIVE

President - Janelle Born

Vice President - Jenn Sondrup

Treasurer - Justine Trenholm

Secretary - Danielle Chretien

DPAC - Lee Brunjes

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Social Media Coordinator - Elaine Happer

Hot Lunch - Ket Shcherbakova and Rhea Fedorchuk ggepac_hotlunch@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT LINKS

ggepac@hotmail.com

Next PAC Meeting – TBA / Library)

The GGE PAC has a **NEW WEBSITE!**



Stay up to date on
special days, fundraisers,
upcoming events, hot lunch
and more!

CHECK US OUT at
<https://ggeelem.wixsite.com/gge-pac>

