



J. Wowk Elementary School
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Principal: Ms. A. Pikkarainen

August 28, 2024

Dear Families and/or Guardians,

On behalf of the Wowk Elementary School Community, we would like to welcome your family to the school, and welcome back to our returning families. Wowk is a community school where we work hard to make everyone feel included and welcomed. Together, we grow as a community to *care for ourselves, each other, and the land and place*. We are excited to learn alongside your children this school year! **The first day of class is on Tuesday, September 3rd.**

Tuesday, September 3rd

ALL Kindergarten students (Group A & B) – 9:00 – 9:45 (Drop off and pick up @ Door 4)

Gr. 1 – 7 students – 8:45 – 9:45

Last Year's Division	Meeting Location	1 st Week Teacher
Div. 9	Door 7 (Library)	Resource Team
Div. 8	Door 6 (Room 4)	Mr. Bautista
Div. 7	Door 12 (Room 8)	Ms. Skiba
Div. 6	Door 13 (Room 9)	Ms. Thomas
Div. 5	Door 10 (Room 7)	Mr. Kirkegaard
Div. 4	Door 3 (Room 2)	Mr. Gustafson
Div. 3	Door 9 (Room 6)	Ms. Pivko
Div. 1 & Div. 2	Main Door #1 (Room 5)	Mr. Ray
New Students (Gr. 1 – 7)	Main Door #1 <i>*students will be brought to their first week classroom – please pre-arrange a meeting place for first day pick-up, and your child will show you their meeting location for the week</i>	

Wednesday, September 4th – Friday, September 6th

- Students report to the same classroom as Tuesday
- **Kindergarten** students follow **Gradual Entry** schedule (Sept 3 – 13)

Placing Students in New Classes (Gr. 1 – 7)

- Students will likely be placed into their new classes on Friday, September 6th
- Students report to the same “First Week” classroom to start the day on Friday
- Once our school organization is approved by the district, students will move to their new classes
- We will email families Friday afternoon with new classroom information

School Daily Schedule

8:40 am – Warning Bell (students are welcome to enter the school)

8:45 am – School Day Starts

10:10 – 10:25 am - Recess

11:50 – 12:42 pm - Lunch Break

2:45 pm – Dismissal

Jessie Wowk Staff Changes and Updates

We would like to welcome to following new staff to the Jessie Wowk Community:

- Jancis Bautista – Div 2 – Gr. 5/6

Tomorrow’s Top Kids

This is just information for families that we do have a Tomorrow’s Top Kids child care centre operating out of our multipurpose room. This program offers before and / or after school care for families. To learn more, please go to the Tomorrow’s Top Kids Website at <https://ttk.org/>

Student Absences

If your child will not be attending school during the first week of school, please let the office know and provide us with the expected return date. Throughout the school year, please call or email the school office if your child will be absent from school for any particular reason.

We look forward to welcoming your children and you to our Wowk community! If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Sincerely,

Ms. April Pikkarainen

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