

" Home of the Blundell Bobcats!"




Blundell Bobcats Bulletin



Acknowledgement of Territory:

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Hə́n̓qə́m̓i̓nə́m (Hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn, and live.

September 9-13

Monday, September 9	Tuesday, September 10	Wednesday, September 11	Thursday, September 12	Friday, September 13
<p>Moving into new classrooms today!</p> <p>Kindergarten students attend until 11:15 am</p> <p>Munch a Lunch Hot Lunch ordering goes live today!</p>		<p>Grades 1-7, return to last year's classrooms from 8:45 am-2:45 pm</p> <p>New Kindergarten students Gradual Entry dismissal at 12:15 pm</p> <p>Deadline for Hot Lunch Orders on Munch a Lunch</p>	<p>Kindergarten Students first full day!</p> <p>HOORAY!</p>	<p>Hot Lunch Day</p> <p>Pasta!</p> 

DON'T FORGET



September 20 is a Professional Development Day---- students do not attend on this day

Reminder:

Kindly please report any absences, lates, early dismissals, etc. to our

Early Warning Line at (604) 668-6519

Please include your child's name, Division, why they will be away and for how long. Thank you.

STAFFING UPDATES

We wish to thank the following staff who have supported the Blundell community last week in their roles as part of our Education Assistant Team. We wish all the very best to you.



Farewell and Best Wishes to the Following:

We will miss you

- Mrs. McCarthy has accepted a position at Kingswood to be closer to her home
- Mrs. Tamayose has also accepted a position at Kingswood, also to be closer to home (she will start on September 16)
- We are working with Human Resources to fill their positions

We would also like to welcome the following staff to Blundell for the upcoming school year:

- Mr. Au-Yeung as one of our grade 4/5 teachers
- We welcome back Mr. Ozeer as one of our grade 6/7 teachers
- We are working with Human Resources to fill our Division 6, Grade 3/4 posting, currently being taught by Ms. Soo and Mr. Jensen
- We also thank all of the retired teachers, Education Assistants on Call, and Teachers Teaching on Call who have helped Blundell, as we work to complete our staffing for the year

WELCOME



UPDATES FROM THE PAC

The PAC offers hot lunch to students TWICE a WEEK.
Thank you for supporting this fundraiser for our school!

SEPT & OCT LUNCH MENU



PIZZA - EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Starting Sept 18
- Snacks not available on Wednesdays
- PLEASE bring a plate to reduce waste!

FRIDAY HOT LUNCHES

Sept 13 - Pasta

Sept 27 - Taco Luis

Oct 4 - NEW!! KFC

Oct 11 - Taco Luis

Oct 18 - Sushi & Bentos



PASTA ORDERS CLOSE WED SEPT 11

**NOTE: THE WEBSITE WILL OPEN WHEN
STUDENTS ARE IN FINAL CLASSES**

[MUNCHALUNCH.COM/SCHOOLS/BLUNDELL/](https://munchalunch.com/schools/blundell/)



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ORDER ON MUNCHALUNCH



Scan the QR code or go to MunchaLunch.com/schools/blundell/
Before you order, YOU MUST update your child's info with their NEW DIVISION. If you do not know their division, DO NOT order yet.



FIRST TIME ON MUNCHALUNCH?

- Set up an account using the Parent's name
- Add each child to the account. Use your child's SCHOOL NAME. **Select the division and teacher.**
- Order for each lunch day—ask your child what they like and order online together!
- Pay by credit card to finalize your order
- Check your email for a confirmation receipt
- You will also get an email before each lunch
- If you have any questions, email the PAC!



blundell.elementary.pac@gmail.com

BLUNDELL CALENDAR FOR 2024-2025



Blundell School Calendar 2024-2025

School re-opens after Summer Vacation----- September 3, 2024

Pro-D – school closed for students----- September 20, 2024

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.....September 30, 2024

Thanksgiving Day ----- October 14, 2024

Early Dismissal (11:45 a.m.) -----October 17, 2024

Pro-D – school closed for students----- October 25, 2024

Remembrance Day ----- November 11, 2024

Pro-D – school closed for students----- December 2, 2024

Last day before Winter Vacation ----- December 20, 2024

Winter Break----- Dec. 23/24-Jan. 3/25

School re-opens after Winter Vacation-----January 6, 2025

Pro-D – school closed for students.....January 27, 2025

Early Dismissal (11:45 a.m.)-----February 13, 2025

Pro-D – school closed for students -----February 14, 2025

BC Family Day ----- February 17, 2025

Last day before Spring Vacation ----- March 14, 2025

Spring Break ----- March 17-28, 2025

School re-opens after Spring Vacation -----March 31, 2025

Good Friday-----April 18, 2025

Easter Monday -----April 21, 2025

Pro-D – school closed for students----- May 16, 2025

Victoria Day----- May 19, 2025

Last day for students----- June 26, 2025

Admin Day – school closed for students ----- June 27, 2025

Summer Vacation period ----- June 30-August 29, 2025

Blundell's Bell Schedule

8:45 Instructional Time Begins

10:10 Morning/Recess Break

10:25 Instructional Time Resumes

11:50 Outdoor Lunch Break (Play First)

12:20 Lunch Break (students return to classes to eat lunch)

12:42 Instructional Time Resumes

2:45 Dismissal



Parking Lot Reminders



We continue to have some issues with cars parking in our drop off lane and also with double parking. Please be reminded of the parking guidelines listed below. Thanks in advance for being part of our solution!

We have a VERY busy parking lot - both in the morning and after school.

Tips to help keep students SAFE!

- 1) Please walk to school with your child if you live close by
- 2) The drop off lane is not for parking - please drop off your child and go, making room for others. We have several school buses arriving each day and this blocks their access to leave the parking lot.
- 4) If you are a kindergarten parent or need to drop your child off at their classroom door, please park in our visitor lot or near the school and walk
5. ALWAYS keep your vehicle speed at a very LOW speed in our entire parking loop.
6. DOUBLE PARKING IS DANGEROUS. Please do not stop beside a car that is already parked in the drop off lane or a car parked in the parking lot--this impacts other drivers being able to leave, including some staff who may have to leave right after dismissal.

Student Cell Phones and Electronic Devices



We acknowledge that many of our older students have personal cell phones. Please note, the district has a new policy in place for personal digital devices. Please see below.

Elementary Schools (K-7):

- Students should not have personal digital devices in their possession during the school day unless permission is granted by the supervising staff for educational purposes. This includes during recess and lunch or while outside on the playground or on school property.
- It is recommended that students do not bring personal digital devices to school.
- If students do have personal digital devices in their possession during the school day, it is expected that they will respect the learning environment within the school and classrooms and ensure that all phones are turned off from 8:40 am to 2:45 pm and they are placed securely in backpacks or in a secured cabinet in their classroom. If there is an emergency, or a student needs to call parents during the school day, the office staff will gladly assist them.
- With regards to all personal electronic devices, please note that if they are reported lost or stolen, the school cannot be held responsible. We thank you for your support in this area.

Family Affordability Fund

This fund was designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. The additional funding will also be used to support nutritional supports for students.

We are requesting that families reach out to Ms. Bahd if you need financial assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.





Blundell's Reminders/Dates

Upcoming Dates to Note/Looking Ahead:

- September 19: Meet the Staff MORNING, 8:15-8:45 am
- September 19: 1:00 PM: Terry Fox Run
- September 20: Professional Development Day
- September 27: Orange Shirt Day
- September 27: PAC Meeting, 1:15 pm
- September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- October 14: Thanksgiving Day Holiday
- October 17: Early Dismissal at 11:50 am for Learning Updates/Conferences
- October 25: Province Wide Professional Day
- October 31: Halloween
- November 11: Remembrance Day

Save
THE
Date

BE KIND
TO ALL
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DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1 Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2 Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3 Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4 Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5 Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property. Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.
- 6

Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct
is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct



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