



L'ECOLE Quadra SCHOOL

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Dear Kindergarten Parents/Guardians,

As Principal of École Quadra Elementary I would like to welcome you and your child to our Kindergarten Program in September 2020. We are excited to have you join our Quadra school family!

My role is to coordinate the school team and work with you to determine how we can make your child's entry into school as smooth as possible. You are your child's first and best teacher; we are looking forward to partnering with you in the years to come.

In this time of social distancing, we are not doing our usual in-school Welcome to Kindergarten afternoon. However, we do have Welcome to Kindergarten bags that we want to get out to you. We ask you to pick up to the Welcome to Kindergarten **bags on Thursday, May 28, between 10-2. We will set up a table at the gym doors** (these are the doors by the playground), and set out some distancing pylons for families to line up at. Two of our kindergarten teachers will be there and will pass off the bag to you to take home and use. We will send you a video about how you can use the contents of these bags to support your child in the coming months.

We also have a survey (Getting to Know Your Child) that we ask you to you fill in electronically about your child's interest and unique needs. It is attached to this email. You may submit it electronically by email, to cmccoy@sd61.bc.ca. If you prefer, you can print it and fill it in by hand and bring it when you pick up your bag. **We encourage you to fill this out.** Going forward, the information on this document will be invaluable to us considering we won't get to see your child in person as we normally would.

You may have questions about what September will look like. Please be patient as we move through so many unknowns. We'll continue to follow the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, and SD61 guidelines as we move through this pandemic. We will update you closer to the beginning of your child's school year in September as to how we are moving forward as a District and as a school. While our learning world has temporarily changed, we want you to know that we are preparing for your child's entry to kindergarten, and we're just as excited as always to get to know them. We are working hard to make this a smooth transition for them!

I look forward to meeting you. Welcome to Quadra and the Greater Victoria School District.

Connor McCoy
Principal
École Quadra Elementary School