



## Henry Hudson Elementary School

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Monday, September 20, 2021

## Message from the Admin Team

I just want to take a moment to thank everyone for such warm welcome to the Hudson community. It has been wonderful seeing the students back at Hudson for a year full of learning experiences. Students have now transitioned to their new classes. We wanted to thank all staff and parents for making this a positive and exciting experience for students. Research and experience tells us that a positive school climate and positive and productive family-school relationships have a strong effect on student learning and their overall experience in school. We very much appreciate our staff who work very hard every day with our students, and our families who do the same. We look forward to a great year working together!

## Bell Schedule

Instruction begins at 9am and ends at 3:03pm each day this year. Students will be dismissed at 3:03pm. We currently have split lunch times for primary and intermediate students, to minimize physical contact between students and to accommodate for upcoming construction. These times are subject to shift for operational reasons, in which case we would communicate this to families.

### Recess (Schoolwide)

10:30am-10:50am

### Lunch

12:05am-12:52pm

Primary students eat first from 12:05-12:28pm and then play 12:28-12:52pm.

Intermediate students play first from 12:05-12:28pm and then eat from 12:28-12:52pm.

## Staff Updates

We are pleased to welcome back our amazing and talented teachers and support staff. Please join us in welcoming the following new staff members to Hudson:

- Ms. Yulia Manova (School and Student Support Worker)
- Ms. Jennaya Hayden (Indigenous Support Worker)

You can find a list of Hudson Staff members on our school website. Here is the link:

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/henry-hudson/About-Us/Our-Staff/Pages/default.aspx>

## Forms

We have been preparing a package for each student containing important forms for you to sign and to return to school. It is important that the Student Verification Information sheet is reviewed and updated. These packages will soon go out to families, with a requested return by the following week.

## Fees

### General School Supply Fee \$35

### Agendas \$6 (some divisions only)

As a reminder, the Vancouver School Board will not deny a child access to the school supplies required for his or her educational program because of financial hardship. Nor will any child be excluded from activities where a fee is

charged. If at any time there is a financial challenge, please contact the school Principal, ([srondestvedt@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:srondestvedt@vsb.bc.ca)). All requests will be treated confidentially.

We will continue to use SchoolCashOnline to accept payments for all fees to the school. Please use link below for how to use SchoolCashOnline, how to sign up if you do not have an account, and a FAQ.

<https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

[https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student\\_Support/General\\_Resources/school-fees/Pages/OnlinePayment-Faqs.aspx](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Support/General_Resources/school-fees/Pages/OnlinePayment-Faqs.aspx)

## Safe Arrival

We will continue to use the district Safe Arrival line to report student absences. This is effective immediately. Please call (604) 713-5159 and enter school code 37 for Safe Arrival (there is a prompt). You will then leave a message for the office. It is vital that all absences are called into the school prior to 9am. If you prefer to send an email, please use [hudattendance@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:hudattendance@vsb.bc.ca) When leaving a message or sending an email, please include your child's full name (first and last), their division, as well as how long the child will be absent.

## Late Arrivals and Leaving Early

It is very important that students are accounted for. If your child arrives to school late, they should check in at the office and then go to class. It is also important that students leaving the school prior to 3pm on a given day are signed out. Since the school building is currently restricted to students and staff, please let the classroom teacher know. When you are about to arrive or have just arrived at the school, please call the office, and a staff member will release your child to you. We need to physically see that they go with their parent/guardian. For appointments which would require a pick-up from school earlier than 3:03pm, please email your child's teacher to make arrangements for the pick-up and also send a note to the attendance email (or call the attendance phone number) at least one day in advance. Your email to the teacher may not be seen if you email the morning of the early pick up.

## Communication from Hudson

We use our website and email to share our newsletter, communicate upcoming events, and for other important information. Please check the school website on a regular basis. When a newsletter or flyer is posted, we will email a link to all families. Please ensure your email is up to date, and that you know if our communications are going into a folder that is not your main inbox.

The school website is: [hudson.vsb.bc.ca](http://hudson.vsb.bc.ca)

Our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) also sends messages to families via email, and posts to their website. The PAC website is: [hudsonpac.ca](http://hudsonpac.ca)

## Dressing for the Weather

At Hudson, students are outside for ALL recesses. It is important that students dress for the weather. This includes having jackets, water-proof gear, and boots when it rains, and sun protection for sunny days. Some teachers will ask students to have two pairs of shoes at school.

## Combined Classes

Sometimes parents have questions about combined classes (e.g., A class with Grade 6 & 7 students, 3 & 4 students, and so forth). Here is a VSB document that is intended to answer parent questions:

[https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student\\_Support/General\\_Resources/combinedclass/Documents/sbfile/180621/combined-classes-brochure-web.pdf](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Support/General_Resources/combinedclass/Documents/sbfile/180621/combined-classes-brochure-web.pdf)

# Hudson School and District Student Code of Conduct

All VSB schools have a school code of conduct that students, staff, families, and visitors are expected to follow as is developmentally appropriate. Here is the link to ours:

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/henry-hudson/Guidance-and-Support/Code-of-Conduct/Pages/default.aspx>

Here is a link to the VSB Student Threat Risk Assessment Protocol (Fair Notice to Parents/Guardians):

[https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student Support/Safe Caring/Student Threat Risk Assessment/Documents/VSB%20%E2%80%93%20Student%20Threat%20Risk%20Assessment%20Protocol-Fair%20Notice.pdf](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student%20Support/Safe%20Caring/Student%20Threat%20Risk%20Assessment/Documents/VSB%20%E2%80%93%20Student%20Threat%20Risk%20Assessment%20Protocol-Fair%20Notice.pdf)

## Important Dates

<b>Friday, September 24</b>	Professional Development Day (Students not in attendance)
<b>Wednesday, September 29</b>	Orange Shirt Day
<b>Thursday, September 30</b>	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Students not in attendance)
<b>Friday, October 1</b>	Terry Fox Run
<b>Tuesday, October 5</b>	PAC meeting on Zoom at 8pm

**\*More information to come directly from classroom teachers on Orange Shirt Day and the Terry Fox Run.**

## Allergies

Please note that we are an allergy aware school. We have several students with severe allergies to peanuts, tree nuts, and nut products (peanut butter, Nutella, etc.). We ask that everyone avoid bringing lunches and snacks with these ingredients as such ingredients can be dangerous to others. We appreciate our families working together in this regard.

## Medical Conditions

1. Please ensure that the school is informed of any medical condition that may require emergency care at school, i.e., anaphylaxis, diabetes, seizures, severe asthma, and serious heart conditions.
2. A "Medical Administration" form, completed by a physician, is required for any medication being dispensed by a school staff member. Copies of these forms are available in the office.
3. Parents choosing to keep medication such as an epi-pen or inhaler in the First Aid area at school are responsible for checking expiry dates and providing new supplies as needed.

## PAC Information

The first Parent Advisory Council meeting will be on October 5<sup>th</sup> at on Zoom. All Hudson parents/guardians are welcome! Please check the PAC website for more information on updates and registering for virtual meetings.

[hudsonpac.ca](http://hudsonpac.ca)

The PAC is looking for volunteers to assist with their hot lunch program. Interested volunteers can contact Marina at [musea79@hotmail.com](mailto:musea79@hotmail.com).

## Hudson Elementary Administration

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