

## Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary School

1430 Lillooet Street, Vancouver B.C. V5K 4H6

tel. 604.713.4686

[Begbie School Website](#)

### Important Information – Please Translate

這是一份重要資訊 — 請找人為您翻譯 这是一份重要信息 — 请找人为您翻译

Mahalagang Impormasyon - Paki salin sa sariling wika

Thông tin quan trọng - Xin tìm phiên dịch

ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ-ਮਿਹਰਬਾਨੀ ਕਰਕੇ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰੋ/ਕਰਵਾਓ

महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी - कृपया अनुवाद करें

Información importante - Por favor traducir 重要な情報-翻訳してください

중요한 정보 - 번역 부탁드립니다

### Principal Update June 23, 2020

SAFE ARRIVAL LINE; 604-713-5159 ext 12

<b>Principal:</b>	<b>Mr. John Cortens</b>	<b>604-713-4686</b>
<b>OAA:</b>	<b>Ms. Cheryl Betteridge</b>	<b>604-713-4686</b>
<b>Director of Instruction:</b>	<b>Ms. Alison Ogden</b>	<b>604-713-5000</b>
<b>Education Coordinator:</b>	<b>Ms. Jessie Fogel</b>	<b>604-713-5000</b>

### PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE

<b>Chair:</b>	Mr. Rigel Wong
<b>Co-Chair:</b>	Mr. Bryan Yu
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Ms. Elise Wong
<b>Secretary:</b>	Ms. Jocelan Thiessen
<b>Members-at-Large:</b>	Ms. Elisa Gutiérrez, Ms. Ina Huang, Ms. Helen Sinclair, Ms. Queenie Wong
<b>Email:</b>	<a href="mailto:begbieschoolpac@gmail.com">begbieschoolpac@gmail.com</a>
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.begbiepac.weebly.com">www.begbiepac.weebly.com</a>
<b>Facebook:</b>	“Sir Matthew Begbie PAC”

### MOST CURRENT SCHOOL INFORMATION

As we continue to move through uncertain times, please continue to check the [VSB Website](#) and [SMB School Website](#) for the most current and update information.

We have been told, at this time, to expect a hybrid start up in September that would mirror our current circumstance. However, this is entirely dependent on direction from the Public Health

Officer. Please be patient and know we will communicate any new information in a timely manner. If you have any questions or concerns please contact [StudentRecordsBegbie@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:StudentRecordsBegbie@vsb.bc.ca).

## **Last Few Days of School**

### **Tuesday 23-June**

This is a regular day as per our schedule.

The Distribution Center is open for pick up and drop off 9:30-10:30 and 1:00 - 3:30.

Report Cards are also being handed out through this process. Report cards not picked up will be kept for pick up in September and will NOT be mailed out.

### **Wednesday 24-June**

This is a regular day as per our schedule.

The Distribution Center is open for pick up and drop off 9:30-10:30 and 1:00 - 3:30.

### **Thursday 25-June**

This is the last day of school for most students. Dismissal will happen at 10:00 am

The Distribution Center will be open for pick up and drop off from 9:0 - 10:30 am for the final time

ESW students are invited to remain at school for the full day as per the wishes of their parents. Please let your teacher know.

## **Pickup and Drop Off**

Beginning Monday, June 22, 2020 we will be ready to accept items belonging to the school. Please look around the house and see if you have any materials belonging to SMB school including:

- Any technology such as tablets that were leant out to support distance learning
- Any sports uniforms
- All library books
- Any textbooks or other materials belonging to the classroom or the teacher

We will also be providing you an opportunity to pick up students' personal belongings and report cards for those students who have been participating in distance learning.

Scheduled times for the Distribution Centre have been sent out in previous emails. Please note, report cards or other student belongings not picked up will be held until September

### **Welcome to Kindergarten**

New Kindergarten Parents: Please look for a gradual entry schedule will be mailed to you in July. Our usual Welcome to Kindergarten event has been postponed due to cancellation of in-school instruction and will be re-scheduled for the fall.

### **Lost & Found**

There is a significant amount of student belongings in the Lost & Found. It will be made available for parents to come look at to see if there is anything that belongs to your family. Any unclaimed materials will be donated to a charity.

### **Staffing Changes**

Please join me in bidding a fond farewell to a few staff members who will be leaving us this year.

- Mr. Calvin Ravening will be retiring from SMB
- Mr. Colin Martin has accepted a position teaching music at Elsie Roy Elementary
- Ms. Lisa Paone will be off for the school year 2020-2021 to have her second child

We would like to offer our sincere thanks to these staff members for all their hard work on behalf of our students and families. We wish them all the very best in their future endeavours and look forward to seeing them when they return to visit and say hello. Until we meet again!

### **Parent Advisory Committee**

At the PAC AGM the parents of Sir Matthew Begbie elected a new Parent Advisory Committee Executive. I would like to sincerely thank the out-going executive members for their hard work supporting our students, staff and families.

Please be sure to come out to our next PAC Meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2020. It is expected to be an online meeting. All parents are welcome to attend. At these meetings we share information and plan ways to support our students, build community and enhance the learning opportunities.

### **Sincere Thanks**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in our school community for an extraordinary finish to a great year! We have accomplished a great deal in a short period of time. Sincere thanks to our staff, students and families for supporting each other as we move through these unprecedented times.

We have no idea what September will look like precisely, however we can expect a hybrid situation much like we are experiencing this June. As the situation evolves we will be sure to let you know.

As we continue to move through uncertain times, please continue to check the [VSB Website](#) and [SMB School Website](#) for the most current and update information.

We have been told, at this time, to expect a hybrid start up in September that would mirror our current circumstance. However, this is entirely dependent on direction from the Public Health Officer. Please be patient and know we will communicate any new information in a timely manner. If you have any questions or concerns please contact [StudentRecordsBegbie@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:StudentRecordsBegbie@vsb.bc.ca).

In the meantime, I would like to wish you all the very best. Please try to have a relaxing and restorative summer vacation. We look forward to being together as soon as possible.

On behalf of SMB Staff,  
Sincerely,  
Mr. John Cortens