



BARKERS POINT SCHOOL PANTHER'S PRINT NEWSLETTER Kindergarten Edition



The First Day of School September 2018

The first two days of school are September 4th and 5th for Kindergarten students. On September 4th, half of the group of children will attend from 9am to 11am. On September 5th the other group will attend from 9am to 11am. **Please remember to provide a light snack for your child.**

You will be notified during the summer, by mail, as to which day your child will attend. At that time we will also indicate the name of your child's teacher.

There will be NO bus transportation for KINDERGARTEN children on September 4th on 5th. Our first full day for ALL KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS will be Thursday, September 6th. This will be the first day of bus transportation for the Kindergarten children.

Please be sure to update any information with regards to address and telephone numbers so we can reach you this summer.

For the First Full Day of School Thursday, September 6th, 2018

Please call 453-5455 or check the ASD-W Website asdwinf@nbed.nb.ca to determine the bus route number that your son/daughter will travel to and from school. You could even ask a neighbour for help with this information. Then we would ask that you make a tag and attach it to the outside of your child's book bag. This tag should state your child's bus number(s) for the morning and afternoon bus runs.

When this is done it not only helps the teachers but also helps the bus driver. This will make parents, teachers and children more secure about traveling on the bus.



HELPFUL HINTS

Book bag:

All children will need a book bag.
Be sure your child's book bag is large enough to fit a change of clothes, a regular size notebook, as well as their lunch bag.

Indoor Footwear/Outdoor Footwear:

All children will need a pair of indoor footwear, as well as outdoor footwear.
Be on the lookout for footwear that is easy for your child to put on and take off independently. If they are not yet tying laces, then slip-on or Velcro closing sneakers will be helpful. Please do not send Crocs or sandals as they are not safe for the gym.

Play Clothes:

All children will need a change of clothes in their book bags daily.

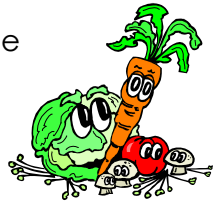
Your child will need clothing that is easy for him/her to put on, comfortable to play in and practical for their kindergarten day.

Snacks:

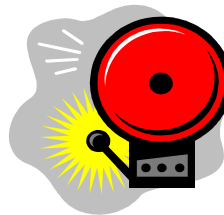
All children will need a snack daily.

Each child will need to bring a snack for mid-morning recess time. We encourage such items as:

- A beverage
- Crackers and cheese
- Veggies
- Fruit
- Popcorn
- Muffins
- Rolls
- Etc.



We discourage items high in sugar.



Hours of Operation for the School

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| 7:40 | Teacher on early duty |
| 8:00 | Our school day begins |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Recess |
| 12:00 – 12:20 | Lunch (Inside) |
| 12:20 – 12:50 | Noon Recess (Outside) |
| 1:45 | Dismissal (K-2) |
| *11:50 | Wednesday Dismissal (K-5) |

PUNCTUALITY



Students are expected to be at school for 8am. When students arrive after 8am they are considered late. Please make sure that your child in on time. We must insure that we maximize the learning of all children.

No Scent is Good Sense
Our school is a scent free environment.



Allergy Alert

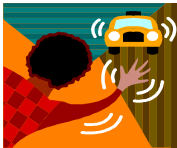
Once again a reminder that we are requesting that students not bring peanuts or peanut products to school. We have a number of students who have allergies, in some cases life threatening allergies, to these products. Thank you for your continued consideration and cooperation in dealing with this matter.



Safe Arrival Program

Each morning after attendance is taken; teachers record the absences. If parents have not called the school to notify us of the absence, the school's automated system will call the first three contact numbers for the student.

We request that parents contact the school in the morning or night before by calling the school at 453-5402. A message can be left. A reminder that all absences require a written note upon your child's return to school.



Parking and Drop Off Zone

A reminder that we are encouraging parents to drop their children off in front of the tennis court. This will allow children to walk on the sidewalk where they are visible to drivers.



Other Information

- ❖ **SUPPLY FEE:** Kindergarten teachers will purchase the supplies that are needed for students in bulk, thus eliminating you from having to purchase the school supplies. The supply fee is **\$50/per student**. This fee can be paid online at the schools website or directly to the office in cash or by cheque made payable to **Barkers Point School**. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 453-5402.
- ❖ **UPDATED IMMUNIZATION REQUIRED:** The Public Health Nurse will be into the school in October to confirm student immunizations are up to date. Please submit a current copy of your child's immunization to the office. **It must include their Preschool Booster.**

- ❖ **CAFETERIA SERVICE:** All students will be eating their lunch in the school cafeteria. A monthly hot lunch program is available by Tots and Taters catering. Menus will be sent home as soon as they become available in the fall. White and chocolate milk is sold daily at a cost of 50¢.



- ❖ **VISITORS TO OUR SCHOOL:** During school hours all parents and visitors to our school must enter the building through the **main doors by the office and sign in**. After 8:05am the front door is locked and visitors are required to press the door buzzer and will be let in by the office staff. During school hours all doors remain locked.

- ❖ **LEGAL CUSTODY:** To parents who have legal custody arrangements – we need a copy of the custody orders at the school, in order to ensure your wishes will be respected. Please contact the office or your child's teacher with the appropriate documentation so a photocopy may be printed. If you currently have a copy filed at the school, please bring this to the teacher's attention.



- ❖ **HEALTH PROBLEMS:** If your child has a health problem, please make sure this is known to your child's teacher. This information will be made available in the office in case of an emergency. If your child requires medication to be administered, forms from the Department of Education are required to be completed. These forms are available at the office. **We cannot administer any medication without this form.**

School Website

<http://bps.nbed.nb.ca>



PLEASE REMEMBER TO LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS

♥ Welcome to Kindergarten