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VICE-PRINCIPAL: MS. ELEANOR LEE

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Back to School Newsletter September 2025

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday!



We hope everyone had a great summer and is now getting ready to go back to school!

Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025

Grades 1-7 **9:00-10:00am**

Please meet your last year's class and teacher by your assigned door using the map and list on page 3.

New Bridge students will be placed with students at their grade level. We will meet you at the front of the school to guide you to your class for the week.

Wed, Sept 3rd - Fri, Sept 5th

Grades 1-7 **8:45am – 2:45pm**

Students in Grades 1-7 will attend school for the full day. Please remember to send a healthy recess snack, a lunch, a water bottle, and an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack.

We hope to have all students placed in their new class for the year by the end of the day on Friday, September 5th.

Kindergarten Students **10:30-11:30am**

All English Kindergarten students, please meet **Ms. Nguyen** at the front of the school.

All EFI (Early French Immersion) Kindergarten students, please meet **Madame Yamamoto** and **Madame Parkes** near the primary playground on the south side of the school.

Kindergarten Families

Please refer to the **Gradual Entry Schedule and Letter** for more detailed information about the first two weeks of school. This was sent to you in a separate email in July.

PAC

Our Bridge PAC (Parent Advisory Council) will be hosting a welcome and coffee station on Tuesday, September 2nd while your children are in class. Please stop by to say hi, meet other families and find out more about our PAC and volunteer opportunities!



Getting ready to go back to school

As we prepare to welcome students back to school, it's important to help them ease into a school routine. A consistent sleep schedule, especially going to bed at a reasonable hour, will ensure your child is rested, focused, and ready to learn. Re-establishing regular mealtimes, limiting screen use before bed, and encouraging quiet evening activities can make a big difference. Let's work together to set our students up for a successful and energized start to the school year!

Hello Bridge Community



Born and raised in Richmond and a product of the French Immersion program, I am thrilled to have my first principalship at Bridge. I have been working in the Richmond school district since 2002, spending time at Gilmore, Anderson and Dixon. I am looking forward to getting to know all of the families and supporting everyone in the Bridge community.

Our PAC Executive for the 2025-2026 School Year

Co-Chairs - Kim Nowitsky and Mei Shum

Treasurer - Angeline Naidu

Secretary - Theresa MacDonald (with Tina Tam shadowing for the year)

Members-at-Large: Sarah May, Sara Lee, Angel Bajgoric, and Sally Mah

All Bridge parents and caregivers are part of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC). We'd love to see you at our meeting each month or helping at the school.

PAC Email: williambridgepac@gmail.com

2025-2026 School Hours

8:40 am	Doors Open
8:45 am	Classes Begin
10:10-10:25 am	Recess Break
11:50-12:42 pm	Lunch Break
2:45 pm	Dismissal



For updates, please check our website and **Week at a Glance (WAAG) newsletters.**

For September dates – see the attached calendar

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Individual and Class Photo Day

Monday, October 13, 2025

Thanksgiving Day - Schools Closed

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In-Person Learning Updates #1

Thursday, October 23, 2025

Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In-Person Learning Updates #1

Friday, October 24, 2025

Pro-D Day - No school for students

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

Remembrance Day – Schools closed

Monday, December 1, 2025

Pro-D Day - No school for students

Thursday, December 18, 2025

Written Learning Update #1 in MyEd

Winter Break:

December 20, 2025 – January 4, 2026

Last day of school before the Break

Friday, December 19, 2024

Return to school – Monday, January 5, 2025

Division 1 – Door 9
Division 2 – Door 12
Division 3 – Door 12
Division 4 – Door 15
Division 5 – Door 10
Division 6 – Door 10
Division 7 – Door 16

Division 11 – Door 14
Division 12 – Door 14
Division 13 – Door 11
Division 14 – Door 10
Division 15 – Door 11
Division 16 – Door 15
Division 17 – Door 15
Division 18 – Door 16

