

## How can your child succeed this year?

The best way for your child to succeed is to be present and ready to learn! This means coming to school fed and well-rested with a good attitude. Reading nightly and practicing numbers and letters with your child will help them immensely! Read on for parent involvement strategies.

## Parent Communication

I believe in regular communication between home and school. Your child will have a folder in their backpack that I will write regular notes in regarding important info and 'Stars and Wishes' for your child. Please use it to send me anything you would like me to know. You can also reach me by phone and email.

## MY PHILOSOPHY

*Every child has the right to feel safe, healthy and happy at school. Through play-based, hands-on individual and collaborative learning, I will support your child and provide open-ended opportunities to inquire, create, explore, and discover.*

# Welcome to Kindergarten

With Ms. Paterson!

What a wonderful year we have ahead of us. Read ahead to find out more about our upcoming year in Kindergarten!

Together you and I will work together to support your child and make this year a wonderful year of discovery and exploration!



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## Parent Involvement

Parents can get involved in their child's learning by:

- Reading with them nightly
- Practicing counting household objects together
- Pointing out the words that surround us: road signs, food labels, etc.
- Playing board games
- Noticing, sorting and creating patterns together
- Teaching them how to spell the names of your family members.

## Assessment Strategies

The majority of my assessments are done in an interactive style where your child can demonstrate their knowledge in the way that works best for them. Your child will also have their reading level assessed monthly and this info will be used to choose appropriate reading material for them. Assessment results will be communicated in your child's backpack folder.

**A Year Overview**  
**This year we will be following the BC Curriculum for Kindergarten.**

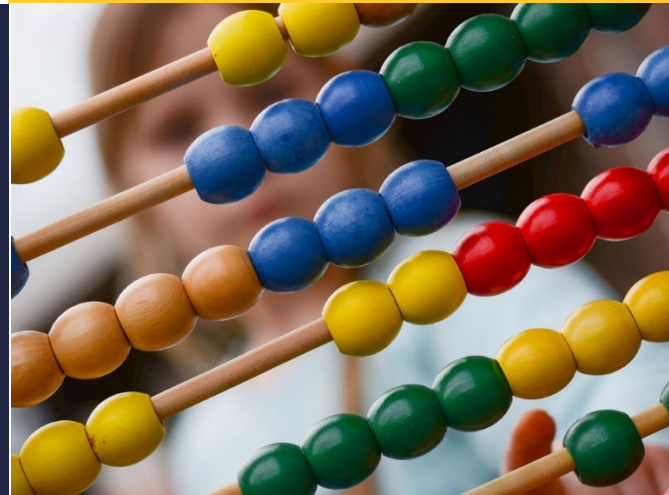
**Aboriginal Education will be interwoven with our curriculum to encourage place-based outdoor education.**

**Our focus in Kindergarten is to build relationships and foster a healthy learning community for all students.**



## Inclusivity Policy

All children and their abilities are welcome and accepted in our class. If your child has any diverse needs that you would like me to know about please reach out and we will determine a path that best fits your child's learning needs.



*“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.”*

-Dr. Seuss



## Student Supports

Our school is equipped with many supports for your child

- Meal Programs
- Aboriginal Education Centre
- EA Support Staff
- Diagnostic Referrals
- Behavioural Supports

Contact the office for more information: 250 515 2313



