

Brooksbank Elementary Student Handbook

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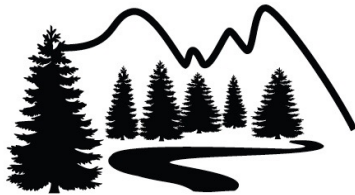
First Name: _____

Teacher(s): _____



BROOKSBANK ELEMENTARY APPROVED CALENDAR 2019/2020	
Schools open	Tuesday, September 3, 2019
School-based non-instructional day	Monday, September 23, 2019
District-wide non-instructional day	Friday, October 4, 2019
Thanksgiving Day Statutory Holiday	Monday, October 14, 2019
Province-wide non-instructional day	Friday, October 20, 2019
Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday	Monday, November 11, 2019
Schools close for Winter vacation	Friday, December 20, 2019
Winter vacation period	December 23, 2019 to January 3, 2020
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, January 6, 2020
District-wide non-instructional day	Friday, February 7, 2020
BC Family Day Statutory Holiday	Monday, February 17, 2020
Schools close for Spring vacation	Friday, March 13, 2020
Spring vacation period	March 16 to 27, 2020
Schools reopen after Spring Vacation	Monday, March 30, 2020
Good Friday Statutory Holiday	Friday, April 10, 2020
Easter Monday Holiday Day	Monday, April 13, 2020
District-wide non-instructional day	Monday, May 4, 2020
Victoria Day Statutory Holiday	Monday, May 18, 2020
School-Based non-instructional day	Monday, June 8, 2020
Last Day of Classes for Students	Thursday, June 25, 2020
Administrative Day (Non-instructional day)	Friday, June 26, 2020
Schools Close for Summer Vacation	Friday, June 26, 2020

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Contact Information:

Address:

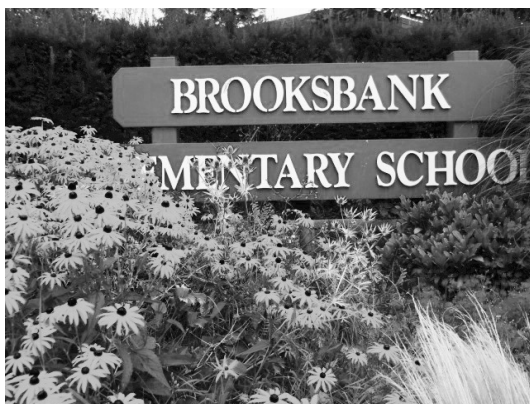
980 East 13th Street
North Vancouver, B.C.
V7L 2N2

Phone #: 604- 903-3280

Callback #: 604-903-3285

Website:

<http://www.sd44.ca/school/brooksbank>



About Brooksbank

At Brooksbank Elementary we believe our students' levels of engagement and sense of belonging correlates with and determines their academic achievement.

At school students learn to become competent thinkers, and are nurtured to become compassionate and contributing members of their classrooms, community and society. The Brooksbank Code of Conduct reflects a school-wide commitment to recognizing how our thoughts, words and actions directly and indirectly impact the sense of belonging felt by others. Demonstrating genuine respect and care for others by recognizing how their actions affect their own and others' learning helps students contribute positively to our school community.

Interacting and communicating effectively with others, both in person and through digital means, has become increasingly important in today's world. And, with access to a vast amount of information, literally at their fingertips, students need to develop critical thinking skills to discern whether what they view, read and hear is reliable.

At Brooksbank we know that increased overlap in school and family spheres of influence contributes to student learning and success (Epstein, 2011). We value parents and other community members as our partners in educating our students, and appreciate the many ways that families help our students succeed at school.

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The Code of Conduct

In accordance with School District #44 Policy #302, students at Brooksbank Elementary School are expected to meet the standards set out in the BC Human Rights Code that include the prohibited grounds of discrimination. Students and adults at Brooksbank are expected to show:

COMPASSION

In our thoughts, words and actions

THOUGHTS – Think of others as equally valuable and important. Show interest in learning with and from others in our school.

WORDS – Speak to others the way you'd like to be spoken to. Use your words to show others respect and to make others feel good about themselves.

ACTIONS – Help make our school a great place to learn by treating others the way you'd like to be treated, and by treating our learning and playing spaces with care. Think of ways you can have a positive impact in our school community.

Compassion is more than just kindness, it is treating others with true respect and empathy.

"With freedom comes responsibility"

Litter

Litter makes our school look like a garbage dump!

It's not good for wildlife, and it's certainly not nice to look at. Families are encouraged to look for litter-free snack and lunch options, and students are asked to keep litter in their pockets and sort items into the correct outdoor or indoor receptacles.

Bicycles, Skateboards & Scooters

We encourage students to walk or wheel to school. Once on school property, bicycles should be locked on racks and scooters or skateboards should be walked or carried into the school and stored safely. The school accepts no responsibility for lost, damaged, or stolen bikes, skateboards and scooters.

Parking Lot

Thank you for making sure staff members can park at their place of work!



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Bell Schedule:

8:45am First Bell & Doors Open
8:50am Instruction
10:20am Recess
10:40am Instruction continues
12:10pm Lunch
12:55pm Afternoon instruction
3:00pm Dismissal
2:00pm Dismissal on Wednesdays

Callback System:

Please phone the call back number 604-903-3285 if your child will be away from school or arriving late due to an appointment. Please include your name, your child's name, and your child's grade and teacher in your message. Callback is in place for both the morning and the afternoon attendance. If your child does not arrive on time for school, and we are not aware of a planned absence, a staff member at the school will attempt to contact you, or any of your approved contact numbers.

School District Website:

www.sd44.ca

Volunteers

Parents and community members who are working in classrooms or volunteering in the school are reminded that they need to sign-in at the office and receive a visitor's tag to wear while they are in the building, or on the school grounds. This helps with the safety and security of students.

A Volunteer application form is required by all parents who volunteer in the school.

Thank you for volunteering to help at the school!

Cell Phone Policy

Students who bring cell phones to school are responsible for the care and storage of the device at school. The device should be off or on silent mode and put away at school. The device must not be used during school hours unless given permission by staff members. Taking photos is forbidden due to privacy rules. If a student needs to call home, they are to go to the school office and school personnel will assist with the call.

Students who are unable to follow the guidelines stated above may have their phone confiscated and returned at a later time or when a parent or guardian is able to come to the school to pick up the device.

Brooksbank PAC Website:

www.brooksbankpac.weebly.com

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We would like to acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish people whose traditional territory North Vancouver School District resides on.

We express our gratitude to the
Squamish Nation and
The Tsleil-Waututh Nation.

We value the opportunity to learn, live and
share educational experiences on this
traditional territory.

Supervision at School:

Students are encouraged to arrive at school shortly before the 8:45am bell. Parents should be aware that there is no supervision of students on the playground before school starts, nor is there supervision after dismissal at 3:00pm (2:00pm on Wednesdays).

To foster independence, parents are encouraged to say goodbye to students outside the school, and allow them to enter the school on their own.

Education aides, administrators, and office support staff provide supervision of students during recess and lunch breaks. Students need to be dressed for the weather as it is our expectation that all students will play outside even in inclement weather. Students who stay at school for lunch go outside to play at 12:10pm when the first bell rings, and come inside to eat lunch at 12:35pm.

Students who go home for lunch should sign out at the office when they leave, and sign back in when they return. The office should be informed, in writing, if a student will be going home for lunch on a daily basis, and with a note for occasional lunches at home.

For safety reasons, students are not permitted to go out for lunch unless they are accompanied by an adult. Students who are having lunch at another student's home must have a written note of permission from their parents.