



Beechy School Newsletter – September 2, 2025

Welcome to the 2025-26 school year! We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer break and is ready to begin an exciting new school year at Beechy School.


We hope to see everyone for the Welcome Back BBQ, which will be held on **Monday, September 8 at 3:30 p.m.** – come pick up your kids, meet the staff, and have some fun with us! Thank you to our SCC, who are working hard to put together a great meal to welcome back our Blazers!

As you will see in the re-vamped School Community Handbook, the staff list is as follows:

Myah Gross	Kindergarten, Grade 3-4
Lisa Grande	Grade 1-2 Homeroom
Paige Marsh	Grade 3-4 Homeroom, Student Support
Shalyn Brokofsky	Grade 5-6 Homeroom, 7-9 Arts Ed
Kimberley Sobkowicz	Grade 5-8 Science/Health, 7-12 Phys. Ed
Lindsay Solnicka	Grade 7-8 Homeroom, 7-8 ELA, 7-12 Social History, Classroom Complexity (Student Support)
Brianne Denning	Grade 11-12 Homeroom, 7-12 Math, 9-12 Science
Leia Hey	School-based Administrator, Grade 9-10 Homeroom, Grade 9-12 ELA
Char Dansereau	Careers, CWEX (Semester 1, Day 5)
Kathy Redmond	Administrative Assistant
Chelsie Moebis	Librarian
Karen Baxter, Karen Rogness	Educational Assistants
Sarah Wiens	SDLC Online Learning Facilitator
Sharron Snow	Caretaker
Robin Galambos	Child and Youth Counselor

As it states in the School Community Handbook, here is our continued plan for our bell times and school schedule:

Our school day runs **from 8:50 a.m. until 3:20 p.m.** Students are welcome to arrive after **8:40 a.m.**, as this is when supervision begins. The first bell rings at 8:48 a.m., which will bring elementary students inside. The second bell, which rings at **8:50 a.m., is the starting bell for ALL students.** Please ensure that students are here, ready to begin class, at 8:50 a.m. All students will have a morning recess break; elementary students will also have their afternoon recess break. ALL students will end their day at 3:20 p.m.



There are 6 classes per day with a 6 Day Cycle.

Elementary Schedule

8:48	8:48	Warning Bell
8:50	10:45	Class Time
10:45	11:00	Morning Recess
11:00	11:55	Class Time
11:55	12:10	Lunch Time
12:10	12:40	Lunch Recess
12:40	2:20	Class Time
2:20	2:35	Afternoon Recess
2:35	3:20	Class Time
Teaching Time		315

High School Schedule

8:48	8:48	Warning Bell
8:50	9:45	Period 1
9:50	10:45	Period 2
10:45	11:00	Recess
11:00	11:55	Period 3
11:55	12:10	Lunch
12:10	12:40	Break
12:40	1:35	Period 4
1:40	2:30	Period 5
2:35	3:20	Period 6
Teaching Time		315

Other information to start the year:

- Entrances and Parking:
 - o All elementary students will use the elementary door (**west** entrance). Grade 7-12 will use the north or south entrance. High school students will not use the elementary door please.
 - o While dropping off/picking up students, please remember to park on the north side of the lot. **When we have bussing**, please **ONLY** use the north entrance to the parking lot, as **the east entrance is BUS ONLY** during the school day.
- Please see the handbook and Academic Procedure 140 (attached) for our cell phone and use-of-technology policies, including “parking lots” in classrooms, and **no cell phone** use for the day if students have outstanding assignments/“pink sheets”.
- A big reminder that we are **PEANUT FREE** in Beechy School. Tree Nut products are still fine, but we ask parents to be diligent in their responsibility to keep peanut products out of the school. Thank you for helping our peanut-allergic students/visiting athletes, etc. to feel safe in our environment.

- Students will be allowed to wear hats/headgear on Fridays, and an option for donation will be available. These donations will go to worthy causes of the SLT's choosing (i.e. STARS Air Ambulance) throughout the year.
- Please remember that we have a **"sign in/sign out" book** at the front office. Students will need to "sign in" if they arrive late, and we will ask that students who are leaving early, or during the day, for any reason, (i.e. doctor's appointments, sporting events) will "sign out" for safety reasons. Please remember to email the teacher, call the office, or report on Edsby Parent Portal if your child will be away. Thank you for your support towards student attendance.
- The policy regarding \$2 million liability insurance for the transportation of students continues again this year. **We would ask that if your children are participating in classroom field trips and/or extra-curricular activities that you get this insurance so to help with the driving to events.** If you are a **new** driver of our students or will be volunteering in the school for the first time, you must also have a criminal records check. Please bring a copy of your CRC into the school if you have not already done so.
- There are many forms to be filled out at the beginning of every year. Please inform the school of any changes to your personal information that we need to be aware of. Parents of bus students, please check with your storm billet to make sure it is okay to continue using the same billet, if that is your intention. We appreciate the timely manner in which the forms are completed (and returned, if necessary), as students are restricted until their forms are in.
- We once again have the option for parents to pay the school **electronically** using beechy@sunwestsd.ca! This can be used to pay for hot lunches, student trips, and more.
- The newsletter format will continue to be a larger document sent home in the second week of the month. We do find ourselves joining some of the shorter months together (i.e. Nov/Dec), and that will likely be the case again. We will continue to include information on exciting learning taking place in the building, initiatives (such as our School Learning Improvement Plan), school happenings, important dates to remember, and other information from the School Community Council.
- We are still using the **Edsby platform** in Sun West School Division. This platform has proven to be much more teacher and parent friendly, including an **app** that can keep you informed. **PLEASE** utilize the login information that will be sent to you shortly (or continue access from last year), as parent access is crucial to communication, and we are hoping to utilize this even more with class group messages and extra-curricular groups. Grade 1-2 will continue to utilize SeeSaw for updates.
- We will be continuing the use of the "School Messenger" (formerly "Alert") system, and we hope all parents will "opt in" if they have not already done so, so to create an efficient messaging system for quick or urgent messaging, should the need arise. If you would like to update your contact information (i.e. so to receive text messages

only, rather than emails), or if you did not receive these messages last year, please let us know! We will also continue to use Edsby article notices, Facebook, and our website to share our “This Week” slides, promote our school happenings, and share documents with parents! Please bookmark our website for your use:

<http://www.beechy.sunwestsd.ca/>

- Open lines of communication between home and school are vital to the success of our students. Please contact your child’s teacher or me with any questions you may have. Please remember to discuss with your child’s teacher before coming to me with classroom questions. The best times to call are before 9 a.m., during lunch break, or after school. If you happen to call when we are busy with students or in class teaching, you can certainly leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to a great year working with your children!

Mrs. Leia Hey (on behalf of Beechy School Staff)