



## R.A. Riddell Elementary School

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**Welcome New and Returning R A Riddell Students!**

**Welcome to R A Riddell Elementary School! We are excited to begin a new school year and cannot wait to meet and greet all our new and returning students next week.**

**School is open for inquiries **Monday to Friday from 8:30 am- 2:30 pm.** You may call the office at 905-387-3350.**

**Tuesday, Sept. 6**– First day of school for grades 1-8 and only scheduled visits for JK students

**Please have your child/children look for their teachers on the back playground starting at 8:50 am on Tuesday, Sept. 6 (Grades 1-8) Homeroom teachers will be holding up a sign with their name and grade. Parents may escort their child to their new teacher, if needed. We ask that once your child has found their teacher, for safety reasons, please leave the playground and watch from the side. Thank you for your understanding.**

**Wednesday, Sept. 7** All students K-8 attend.

**Class Placements** for September 2022 can be found in the Parent Portal. The school engaged in a lengthy and thoughtful process to determine class placements that will support student success and achievement. Many factors, including current and potential relationships, are taken into consideration and once class placement is determined, no changes are made.

**Parking-** We encourage all walkers to walk to school, and students who have bus privileges to ride the bus, this will reduce the congestion of cars and increase safety for all at school. If you must drop your children or pick them up at school, please find a safe parking space on the side streets.

**Masking-** Masks are optional. However, good judgement needs to be made by families should there have been proximity with someone who recently tested positive for COVID within the home; in which case, the student may do a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test) before return to school.

**School Council-** We welcome all new and returning council members and the Home and School Association. We are looking forward to partnering with parents to ensure a great year for our students and families.