

Hello Maple Creek Community,

School starts on Tuesday, September 3, just a few days away! This promises to be an amazing year with a great group of students, and a wonderful staff!

Here are some reminders about the first few days:

First Part Day - Tuesday, Sept 3:

Students are to arrive at various times on Tuesday, for a warm welcome and attendance. Students are to go to the gym at their allotted time where they will be greeted and receive information about the first week. We will have staff around the school grounds helping anyone new to the school.

- **Grade 6's: 9:00am – 11:15 am (2+ hours)**

Our grade 6's will be participating in WEB (**Welcoming Everybody!**) from 9-11:15. The WEB welcoming activities will be led by some of our amazing grade 8 students. We believe that WEB will help ease some stress, and hopefully raise some excitement for the year ahead!

Grade 6 parents, you are more than welcome to come and join us *in the gym* for the opening welcome if you would like (9-9:15). Students will be dismissed from the gym around 11:15.

- **Grade 7's: 11:30am – 12:00 pm (30 minutes)**

- **Grade 8's: 12:15pm – 12:45 pm (30 minutes)**

These grades (7 and 8) will only be in the gym for about 30 minutes on Tuesday (schedule above). This greeting and introduction will give us an opportunity to welcome the students, take attendance, and provide information for the upcoming week!

For new grade 7 and 8 students, although we won't include them in the grade 6 WEB activities, we will have an extra welcome at the end of their introduction in the gym. A welcome and a tour of the building before they go home on Tuesday.

School supplies: a list of supplies needed can be found here: [School Start Back to School Supplies](#). Please note we will be able to help provide supplies for any family that needs it - this includes 'loaner' laptops for any families (this will not happen until students are placed in final classes - after the first week at best).

Full school supplies will not be needed on the first few days! If you go to School Start (<https://schoolstart.ca>) we are actually listed in Port Coquitlam and the official school name is École Maple Creek Middle School.

You do not need to order from School Start! Any supplies will do!

Bell Schedule: Wednesday will be a regular day! Our bell schedule can be found here: [Bell Schedule - École Maple Creek Middle School \(sd43.bc.ca\)](#)

Cell Phones: As you likely know, the province has created new expectations regarding cell phones at schools. Cell phones are not to be used during school hours (8:32 – 2:55). We are expecting students to have their phones in their locker during school hours. Lockers will not be given to students for the first few days – phones can be left in backpacks or bags (rooms will be locked at lunch) or kept in the office during the day. If you need to contact your child – please contact the office (604-464-8581).