

# Brighthouse Newsletter

## Brighthouse

### Elementary

6800 Azure Road  
Richmond, BC  
V7C 2S8

### Kathy Pantaleo

Principal

### Leah Scharf

Vice Principal

### School Schedule:

8:40 - Welcome Bell  
8:45 – Classes Begin  
9:55 - 10:10 - Recess  
11:50 - 12:42 - Lunch  
2:45 - Dismissal

## Important Dates!

Sept 11	Move to our new classes
Sept 12 - 13	Jess Dance lessons for some of our Intermediate Students!
Sept 15 - 17	Rosh Hashannah
Sept 21st	Terry Fox Run & Meet the Staff @ 8:00 am
Sept 22nd	Pro-D Day - No School
Oct 2	Observance of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - No School

## Sept 11th - 15th Week at a Glance

Monday	Students move into their new classes @ 8:45 am
Tuesday	Jess Dance Lessons for some of our Intermediate Students
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Thursday	
Friday	

Dear Families,

We are so happy to welcome all new and returning families to the 23/24 school year!

Some facts about Brighthouse Elementary

- We have 28 Divisions and 678 students!
- We have over 70 staff supporting your children at school.
- We are the largest Elementary School in Richmond!

Our hope at Brighthouse is that all families, students and staff feel welcome here. The Richmond School District has a Strategic Plan that we use to guide our work together. You can click [HERE](#) to learn more. Strategic Priority 5 outlines goals for us as a connected learning community. As a part of our work together, we will be seeking your thoughts and feedback on how we can all be connected as a learning community. When the school and families build trusting connections, your children also feel happier at school. We have a group of parents called the Brighthouse PAC who volunteer by organizing community events, fundraising, and organizing hot lunches. Joining the PAC is a great way to help. More information to come on our next meeting!

Lastly, thank you again for your patience as we go through the class placement process. We will be moving into our new classes on Monday at 8:45 am. By now you should have received a welcoming email from your children's teacher. If you have any questions about your child's placement, you are welcome to email [kpantaleo@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:kpantaleo@sd38.bc.ca), and we can arrange a time to meet or talk on the phone.

We are looking forward to a great school year!

Kathy Pantaleo and Leah Scharf



Follow the outside loop/lane and move up as traffic moves. Please consider having children in the righthand passenger seats so they can exit to the outside of the loop

Use the inside lane only to exit the Traffic Circle and please remember that everyone must leave with a right turn onto Azure Road.

## Drop-off and Pick-up

If you need to drive to drop off and/or pick up your children, please either park along Azure Road, Nanika or Nadine Crescent. The City of Richmond is monitoring where families are parking their cars - so make sure that you park your car in an area that is designated for parking.

If you choose to use the drive through, please know that this is only for quick stops. Staff will be available to help guide families and **ensure that all drivers stay in their car as they move through the lane.**

If you're concerned about ensuring that your child arrives safely to school because you are not able to get out of your car, we will have student monitors available to walk your child to their classroom in the morning.



## Meet the Staff and Terry Fox Run on September 21st!

The school will be open at 8:00 am for families to come in to meet staff and see the school. At 9:00 am, families are invited to join us on the field for our annual Terry Fox Run.

Families who would like to make a donation to the Terry Fox Foundation can use SchoolCash Online or donate 'Toonies for Terry' at the office. Click [HERE](#) for the link to SchoolCash Online.