



# Full Day Gradual Entry Schedule

**Gradual Entry – all in attendance Full Day by Monday, September 18, 2023**

We are providing you with Richard Bulpitt Kindergarten gradual entry schedule for September 2023 so that you may make arrangements for childcare if needed. Please note that the students will be divided into 2 groups.

In the last week of August more information will be sent home as to where your student(s) will be lining up and how to sign up for meetings with kindergarten teachers.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>4</b>  <b>Labour Day - No school</b>	<b>5</b>  <b>Kindergarten Students do not attend</b>	<b>6</b>  <u>Group A</u> 9:00-10:00  <u>Group B</u> 11:00-12:00	<b>7</b>  <u>Group A</u> 9:00-10:30  <u>Group B</u> 11:00-12:30	<b>8</b>  <u>Group A</u> 9:00-11:00 (Bring snack)  <u>Group B</u> 12:30-2:30 (Bring snack)
<b>11</b>  <u>Group A/B</u> 8:48-10:50 (Bring snack)  Afternoon Family Meetings	<b>12</b>  <u>Group A/B</u> 8:48-10:50 (Bring snack)  Afternoon- Family Meetings	<b>13</b>  <u>Group A/B</u> 8:48-12:50 (Bring snack and lunch)  Afternoon- Family Meetings	<b>14</b>  <u>Group A/B</u> 8:48-12:50 (Bring snack and lunch)  Afternoon Family Meetings	<b>15</b>  <u>Group A/B</u> 8:48-1:20 (Bring snack and lunch)
<b>18</b>  Full Day Kindergarten Begins 8:48-2:33	<b>19</b>  8:48-2:33	<b>20</b>  8:48-2:33	<b>21</b>  8:48-2:33	<b>22</b>  8:48-2:33

## Getting Ready for Kindergarten

While kindergarten can be an exciting time, there may be some angst with unknown expectations. The kindergarten team at Richard Bulpitt brings with it a wealth of experience and knowledge and are excited to begin the learning journey with your child. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kindergarten entry (which happens over a period of two weeks, gradually increasing the duration of each session) will help provide time for adjustment to the longer school day. Kindergarten is a very social year, with students spending time making and playing with new friends, learning how to work with one another, building the capacity for following directions, and learning academic skills as well. While the teachers will work to meet the needs of every child starting from where they are at, they have provided a list of suggestions for things to do at home that will help your child have a more successful entry into kindergarten:

- Practice with buttons, snaps, and zippers, working to put on coats and shoes
- Independently
- Encourage your child to use small scissors, thick crayons, paints, pencils, and chalk to develop fine motor skills.
- Playtime with peers which helps to build social skills
- *Independent* use of the bathroom
- Reading to your child daily which builds many pre-reading skills including a love of literacy. Handle books together. Teach respect for books and enjoyment of pictures. If your child asks what a word is, tell him or her. When reading, let your finger move from left to right with the printed word.
- Practice with completing small tasks in a timely manner which will help to build
- punctuality into the morning routine
- Practice at recognizing and name writing the "Kindergarten Way" with a one capital
- letter at the beginning and lower-case letters for the remainder
- Practice at opening containers and snack bags which will foster independence at
- snack and lunch time

### Here are some other resources you might want to check out in advance of September.

- [Subscribe to News & Alerts](#) for up-to-date information. [Subscribe to our online calendars.](#) Like our [Facebook page](#)
- [RBE PAC](#) - We would like to invite you to please join our [PAC Facebook group](#). This is a great resource to keep us all connected and well informed about what is going on in our school and community. The group is secure and private and only those approved can see or access posts. [bulpittpac@outlook.com](mailto:bulpittpac@outlook.com)
- If you want to receive [SchoolMessenger](#) notification text messages in the event of
- emergencies or urgent communications, you can opt-in by following these
- instructions [here](#).

Welcome to the Richard Bulpitt Community!

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