

École Neil Campbell School



Welcome/Bienvenue

PRINCIPAL:

MR. ANDREW HIRST

VICE PRINCIPAL:

MME CHANTAL JOHNSON

Introductions

1. Mr. Hirst - Principal
2. Mme Johnson - Vice Principal
3. Mme Nanton - K French Immersion Teacher (2 classes)
4. Mrs. Estafanos - K English Teacher (1 class)
5. Mrs. Walker & Mrs. Honke - Resource Teacher
6. Mr. Vielfaure – Guidance Counselor

Our School Profile

We are a dynamic, dual-track elementary school (English, French Immersion).

We operate from Kindergarten to Grade 5 with approximately 330 students.

Our school is situated in a quiet, residential community in East Kildonan.



Mission Statement

At École Neil Campbell School we believe in the value of lifelong learning, the pursuit of excellence and the development of citizenship in a caring environment.



Kindergarten Registration Date

Registration begins Monday, March 3, 2025. Our school will accept registrations starting at 8:00 a.m.

The registration will take place in the office.

Information Required For Kindergarten Registration

Proof of Age (1 required)

Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Passport, Record of live birth, or Valid Treaty Card

Residency (2 required)

Driver's License (identification showing current address), Tenancy agreement, Offer to purchase documents (completed-signatures), utility bill (name and corresponding address)

Guardianship

Copy of any custody agreements or court documents (if applicable), Child In Care Forms

Emergency Contact Names and Phone Numbers

Please be ready to indicate 4 emergency contacts on the registration form.

School Of Choice Applications

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 3, 2025- In Division School of Choice applications accepted at the family's designated school.

Students must be 5 years of age on or before December 31st of the year in which they register

May 1, 2025- Out of Division School of Choice applications received at "choice school".

June 2025- All School of Choice applications finalized by RETSD. Parents contacted.

After Kindergarten Registration

Parents will receive a letter sent home (end of June or beginning of July) which indicates the date for a parent/teacher intake interview in September and your child's Kindergarten calendar.



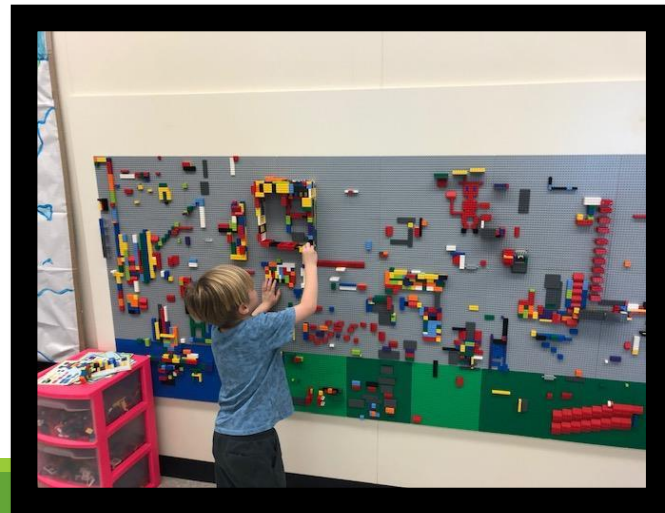
Kindergarten Program

In addition to the two language options offered, all students in Kindergarten receive added instruction in: Music Education, Physical Education, and Technology/Library.



Kindergarten Packages

New Kindergarten students will receive an information and activity package to help prepare them for Kindergarten. Packages will be distributed during registration.

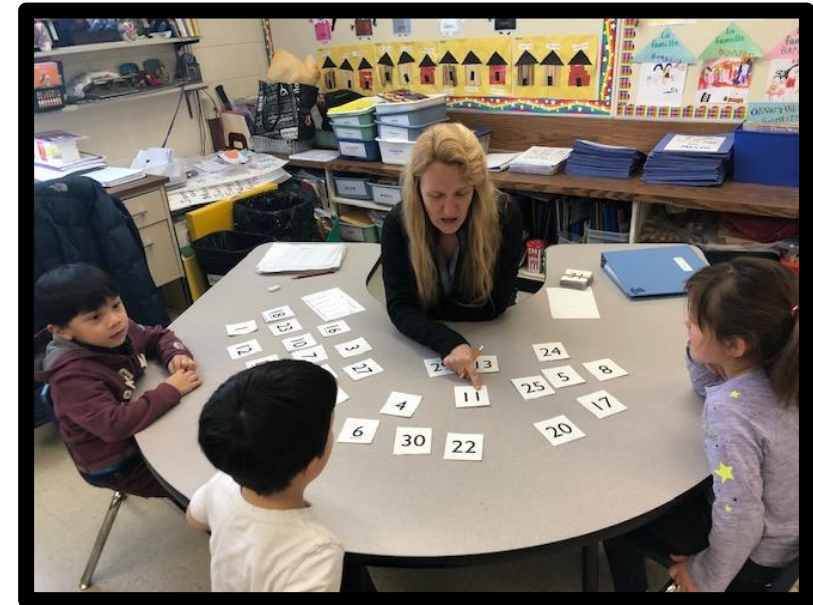


Kindergarten Readiness

At the start of the school year, it would be beneficial if your child could:

1. Print their full name
2. Know how to hold a pencil
3. Know how to use scissors
4. Listen actively to stories
5. Be seen by an Optometrist to have their vision assessed.
6. Open lunch containers
7. Use the bathroom independently
8. Zip zippers and button buttons

* Read frequently with an adult



Early Years Evaluation (EYE)

Twice during the school year, RETSD kindergarten teachers will collect data over a 3-4 week period, based on observations of their students. The observations are to gain insight into how the children think, learn, and make sense of their world. Below are the five key areas that we observe, which relate to school readiness:

1. Awareness of self and environment
2. Social skills and approaches to learning
3. Cognitive skills
4. Language and communication
5. Physical development

The results identify a child's strengths and areas that could benefit from further instruction and support, both at school and at home. The results are communicated to kindergarten parents during the first term report card period, instead of the traditional report card.

School Safety



The Kindergarten teachers meet and dismiss the students at the south side doors.



Our school also provides street patrols & and bus patrols to ensure student safety.



Transportation

If busing is required:



A) Students are grouped on even and odd days in order to balance the bus. Every effort is made to accommodate day care and parent/guardian requests for even/odd day classes.

B) Students must live 1.6 kms away from the school to qualify for busing. You can apply for “Fee for Service.” Transportation accommodate requests based on available routes and space on the bus.

C) New Form A Kindergarten busing applications must be filled out. We will send all application forms to the RETSD Transportation department by March 17, 2025.

Other Programs in the School

Lunch Program: Students who stay at school for lunch participate in a user-pay lunch program which costs approximately \$1 a day.

Daycare: YMCA before and after school program for students grade 1-5. Please contact the YMCA for more information.



Resource Program Student Services

We have 2 Resource Teachers and 1 Guidance Counselor who are available to provide assistance to students who have learning needs not being met by regular programming. The Resource Teachers consult and plan with the classroom teachers for academic programming for students including small group Literacy and Numeracy support.

The Guidance Counselor offers individual and small group sessions to address a variety of social and emotional needs. Whole class programming is also offered regarding topics that are pertinent to each class.

Resource Program Student Services (Continued)

For students with specific needs, we can also access services through the RETSD Student Services Clinical Unit such as: Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, School Social Work, School Psychology, Physical Therapy and Reading Clinicians.

Our school also has an Internal Student Support Team (Resource Teachers, Guidance Counselor, Administration & Reading Recovery Teacher) that meets regularly to provide support to classroom teachers in all areas of a child's development.

Parental Involvement

It is our belief, supported by research, that a positive and meaningful home-school connection improves the academic, social, and emotional development of children.

- To support this, volunteer opportunities are offered by the classroom teachers and the school in general. A Child Abuse Registry (CAR) is required.
- Clear and effective communication between home and school is promoted and valued. Every Friday, an e-memo will be emailed from the office with important information. Please check the ENCS website regularly for school information updates.
- All parents are encouraged to join the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) to be involved in the school events and to hear information about our school.

École Neil Campbell School Language Programs

FRENCH IMMERSION

**ENGLISH PROGRAM: BASIC FRENCH: COMMUNICATION
& CULTURE**

Grade 1-5 Programs

English Program: English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health, Art, Music, Physical Education, and Library are all taught in English, except for French Communication and Culture (grades 4-5).

French Immersion: French Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health, and Art are all taught in French.

FI: Majority instruction in the classroom is in French. English Language Arts Music, Physical Education and Library are taught in English.

Students who stay at school for lunch participate in a user-pay program.



Benefits Of Second Language Instruction

1. Additional language learning develops self-confidence and independence.
2. Additional language learners have large vocabularies in their first language.
3. Speaking a second language can open doors for career opportunities.
4. Learning a new language develops critical and creative thinking skills.

RETSD Literacy Links

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Free programs offered to parents of RETSD students starting Kindergarten in September 2025. More information will be given at the K orientation in June.

Important Dates & FAQ

REMINDERS:

1. Neil Campbell K Registration - Monday, March 3 @ 8:00 a.m.
2. Pre-School Growing and Learning Event – Prince Edward School, May 28, 2025
4:30-6:30 p.m. (Come and Go with pre-registration)
3. Students with health care needs (allergies, asthma, etc.) need a URIS form completed prior to starting school
4. Can I change the language program that I registered my child in?
5. You do not need to speak French to be able to support your child in French Immersion.
6. Kindergarten Orientation will be June 11th at 1:30 – 2:30pm.
7. Kindergarten Readiness.

Thank You / Merci!

