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All Learners*

KAY BINGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and the wonderful school community at Kay Bingham,

I am writing to share that as of April 1, 2026, I have been asked and have accepted the position of Principal at the newly built Sníne Elementary School in the Pineview neighborhood which will open its doors in September 2026.



The past five years at Kay Bingham Elementary School have been rewarding in my career. Together, we've built a culture of belonging and learning, and I am so proud of everything our students and staff have accomplished.

Leaving such a supportive and spirited community is certainly not easy. I will miss the faces, the stories, and the incredible energy that makes this school what it is. Thank you for five unforgettable years of partnership and collaboration. I know that the amazing staff will continue to make a positive impact on the learning of your children.

I'm excited for what lies ahead at Sníne Elementary, but I will always be cheering for Kay Bingham Elementary from the sidelines, as my first posting in SD73.

I would also like to take the opportunity to introduce your new Principal coming in, Ms. Laurie Fraser. I hope you will welcome her as you did me.

Wishing you all a wonderful spring break later this month!

Ms. Rosie Caputo, Principal

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Research shows that attendance is a critical factor in student achievement. ***Missing 10% of the school year (18 days) which is equivalent to approximately one missed month per year is classified as chronic absenteeism.*** Every day that a student misses school impacts their learning. A missed school day is a lost opportunity for learning. A student's overall growth – academic, social, and emotional- are positively impacted when a child is at school. At KBES, we want our students to grow into the best global citizens who are positively contributing to our school and global community. Please reach out to the school office if you need assistance in making a positive change in this area. Please note, we do understand when illness affects a student's ability to attend school.

LOST & FOUND

There is a great deal of clothing and miscellaneous items in the Lost and Found. It will be laid out on tables from March 10-13. Please take a minute to come and take a look. All items will be donated before spring break.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

While our official registration week is over, we are still accepting Kindergarten registrations for this coming September. General information can be found on the [SD73 website here](#). In order for registration packages to be accepted as complete they must include birth certificate, BC Services card, and proof of address (utility bill, rental lease, house purchase).

As we prepare for Kindergarten registration, there are a few things to keep in mind:

- If you have an older child attending KBES, and would like a package, please contact the school office and a package will be sent home with them
- If there are any questions, please contact Mrs. Bonderud in the school office

PAC

A big thank you to the PAC for always being so supportive of school events.

Please contact the PAC by email at kaybinghampac@gmail.com or join the Facebook page 'Kay Bingham PAC'. Our very small, yet dedicated, PAC group works tirelessly to ensure classrooms and programs are supported through their generosity. As always, all parents/guardians of children at our school are members of our PAC and are encouraged to become involved in our school PAC. The next meeting is March 11 at 6:00 PM.

PAC STUDENT OF THE MONTH

PAC continues to sponsor a *Student of the Month* program. Each month, a student who exemplifies the ROCKS traits will be recognized from each class. Then a winner is randomly chosen from each pod. Congratulations to our class winners for February, for doing such an amazing job being **R**espectful, **O**rganized, **C**ooperative, **K**ind, and **S**afe! Pod draws will take place at our next assembly.

Div 001- Oaklee Ellis

Div 002- Logan Bear

Div 003- Hendrik Gjaltema

Div 004- Quetsia Caputo

Div 005- Matteo Webb-Helliwell

Div 006- Oliver Phaengvixay

Div 007- Trixie Mireku-Sarpong

Div 008- Carter Washington

Div 009- Hadassah Olabisi-Faleyeye

Div 010- Kaylee Clark

BLAZERS VISIT

Kamloops Blazers Jordan Keller and Ivan Kufterins visited classrooms at Kay Bingham on February 11. Blazers were able to answer many questions from students and they were happy to sign autographs as well.

MyEdBC PARENT PORTAL

Please contact Mrs. Bonderud if you require assistance to access learning updates through the Parent Portal.

SPRING BREAK

This year, spring break will take place from March 16-27, 2025. The school will be closed for this two-week period! Enjoy your family time together.



CALENDAR EVENTS

March

- 6 Popcorn Day
- 9 Grade 6 Immunizations (only if consent given)
- 11 PAC Meeting 6pm
- 11 Report cards sent home
- 12 Basketball season ends
- 13 PAC Hot Lunch
- 13 Spirit Day- wear your favourite hat
- 16-27 Spring Break
- 30 Back to School

April

- 1 PAC Meeting 6pm
- 7 Day of Suwentwe'cw
- 9 Spirit Day- Jerseys
- 10 Popcorn Day
- 16 Battle of the Books – Zones
- 17 Popcorn Day
- 17 Aaltonen's class at Museum
- 21 Welcome to Kindergarten – Orientation Day
- 23 Battle of the Books - District
- 24 PAC Hot Lunch