

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

I am thrilled to get to know you and your children in the upcoming school year. Kindergarten is always a very exciting time in a child's life. In this package is a tentative school calendar. Please know that there may still be some changes to this calendar in Fall.

The first few days of school for your child will be **Orientation days** from September 2<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>. On these days only small groups of students will be coming for a shorter period of time. Coming in a smaller group eases students into their new routine and rules and gives them a chance to meet a few of their classmates at a time. I am also inviting a parent or family member to attend part or all of this orientation time with your child. However, please know that it is not necessary for someone to stay with your child. Please let me know if you need to switch the time of your child's suggested orientation.

Our first full day of Kindergarten is scheduled for Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Students will all be coming for the full day from 9:00-3:30. Please remember that students are invited to go home for lunch. There is a minimal cost for them to stay for lunch. There will be more information coming home in September about this.

Since Kindergarten is often a new experience for parents as well as children, I hope this session and the orientation days will answer any questions you may have.

I look forward to spending this time your child! If you would like to contact me, my email is <a href="mailto:cmthorson@gscs.ca">cmthorson@gscs.ca</a> or our phone number is 306-659-7160.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Thorson