

## **2022-23 Helen Gorman Elementary Kindergarten Startup information**

In mid-August, Kindergarten families will receive an email from the school about Kindergarten Start-up. Although the rest of our students will have their first day of school on Tuesday, September 6, Kindergarten students begin the year on Wednesday, September 7th with shortened days called Mini-Sessions. The first two Mini-Sessions (Wednesday & Thursday) are one hour long. The email that you will receive in mid-August will provide you with exact times. Depending on COVID protocols, we are hoping that Wednesday Mini-Session will be for both parents and children. The other mini-session days will be for students only. This is a time for your child to become comfortable with the teachers, the Kindergarten rooms, the school, and basic routines. The Mini-Sessions will increase in length to half-days. Wednesday, September 14 will be the first full day of school for all Kindergarten students.

To learn more about Kindergarten at HGE, parents are welcome to read the [HGE Spring Kindergarten Welcome Newsletter](#). Families looking for ways to prepare their child for Kindergarten may want to check out the [\*Let's Play Activities for Families\*](#) guide from the BC Ministry of Education.