



SCHOOL DISTRICT 46 SUNSHINE COAST

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Celebrating the contributions of students, staff, and community and looking forward to a great year ahead.



Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

A Letter of Welcome from Board Chair Amanda Amaral and Superintendent of Schools Kate Kerr

Dear Sunshine Coast Schools Learning Community,

Welcome back to school! We hope you all had a wonderful summer, filled with special moments spent with loved ones. As we begin this new school year, we are excited to welcome each and every one of you back to our school communities, where the theme of connection holds a special place in our hearts.

Connection is at the core of everything we do in our district. It is the thread that weaves us together as a close-knit community of care and learning, supporting and uplifting one another on our educational journey. Together, we create an environment where everyone feels valued, heard, and respected. As we step into our classrooms, walk the hallways, and share moments in learning spaces, let us remember the power of a smile and a kind word.

In addition, this school year we will be connecting with you to hear your voice specifically about the development of the new strategic plan. We are excited to embark on this journey to develop a strategic plan that focussing on student learning and embraces stewardship for the future of all students.

Let this school year be a celebration of connection—a time to build bridges, forge new friendships, strengthen existing ones and co-create a vision for the future.

In this we journey together.



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amanda Amaral (Chair)
Stacia Leech (Vice-Chair)
Sue Girard
Samantha Haines
Maria Hampvent
Pammila Ruth
Ann Skelcher
School Board Meetings
7 pm on typically the second
Wednesday of each school month
(494 South Fletcher, Gibsons)

2023-2024 LEADERSHIP TEAM
Superintendent of Schools
Kate Kerr
Assistant Superintendent
Jennifer Roberts
Director of Instruction
Christa Rive
Secretary-Treasurer
Nic Weswick
Director of Human Resources
Jim Vair
Manager of Finance
Shannon Kitagawa
Manager of Human Resources
Tara Sweet
Manager of Facilities &
Transportation
Rob Collison
Assistant Manager of Facilities
& Transportation
James Walton
Manager of Information
Technology
Tarsem Nath
District Principal, Indigenous
Learning
Kerry Mahlman
District Principal, Learning,
Innovation, & Child Care
Kirsten Deasey
District Vice-Principal,
Learning & Innovation
Desiree Harris
**Schools / Principals &
Vice-Principals:**
Cedar Grove Elementary
Jennifer MacInnes
Davis Bay Elementary
Rae-dene Pednaud
Gibsons Elementary
Lynda Brisebois
Halfmoon Bay Elementary
Glen Smith
Kinnikinnick Elementary
Bernadette Marie
Langdale Elementary
Jenny Groves
Madeira Park Elementary
Nicole Zilkie
Roberts Creek Elementary /
SPIDER (K-6)
Duncan Knight
West Sechelt Elementary
Olwen Cowan
Chatelech Secondary
Mark Sauer / Paula Stroshein-
Martinez
Elphinstone Secondary
John Brisebois / Jeff Marshall
Pender Harbour Secondary
Chris Lekakis
SCAS / SPIDER (7-12)
Carolyn Spence

**FAMILY ENGAGEMENT
District Parent Advisory Council
(DPAC)**
Scott Davies (Chair)
sd46dpac@gmail.com
Meetings are held every fourth
Thursday, 7 pm
(Hybrid in-person / ZOOM)
PAC Meetings
Check with your local school.
Volunteer Opportunities
Share the gift of time!
Contact your child's school.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!
Facebook, X, Instagram, YouTube
@SD46SC

**STAY INFORMED.
VISIT SD46.BC.CA.**



2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tues., Sept. 5.....	First day of school	Fri., Feb. 9.....	Pro-D Day
Mon., Sept. 25.....	Pro-D Day	Mon., Feb. 19.....	Family Day
Mon., Oct. 2.....	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation	Wed., Mar. 6 & Thurs., Mar. 7.....	Early Dismissals
Mon., Oct. 9.....	Thanksgiving Day	Mon. Mar. 18–Thurs. Mar. 28(inclusive).	Vacation
Wed., Oct. 11 & Thurs. Oct. 12....	Early Dismissals	Fri., Mar. 29.....	Good Friday
Fri., Oct. 20.....	Pro-D Day	Mon., Apr. 1.....	Easter Monday
Mon., Nov. 13.....	Remembrance Day	Tues., Apr. 2.....	Schools Reopen
Mon., Nov. 20.....	Pro-D Day	Mon., Apr. 15.....	Pro-D Day
Mon., Dec. 25–Fri., Jan. 5 (inclusive).....	Vacation	Fri., May 17.....	Pro-D Day
Mon., Jan. 8.....	Schools Reopen	Mon., May 20.....	Victoria Day
		Thurs., June 27.....	Last Instructional Day

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