



# VANCOUVER HEBREW ACADEMY

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## Torah Education for Life...

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Dear Parents of Kindergarten Students,

Welcome to what we are sure will be a happy and exciting year in Kindergarten. We are thrilled to have you as part of the VHA family. In order to provide our young students with the most positive early educational experience, we offer a modified schedule for the first few days of school to help ease our Kindergarten students into what might otherwise be an overwhelming change.

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**There will be orientation sessions available the Friday before school begins (Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>) from 9:00am-12:00pm.** This is being done in order to give parents and incoming students the opportunity to meet with the teachers, hear a little about the program, and to see the classroom that your child will be in. We ask that you bring all supplies on that Friday to help make the first day of school run as smoothly as possible. There will be 3 time slots that you will have the opportunity to come in for:

- ❖ 9:00- 9:45am
- ❖ 10:00-10:45am
- ❖ 11:00-11:45am

Each time period will begin with a short presentation by the teachers followed by a tour of the classroom, showing you and your child where everything will be. You will then have the chance to speak with the teachers. There will be a maximum of 5 families participating during each time slot ensuring that each family will be given the appropriate time and attention. **Please email Ms. Teagan in our school office at [office@vhebrewacademy.com](mailto:office@vhebrewacademy.com) to book your appointment.** Bookings will be done on a first come first serve basis.

Below is the detailed timetable for the Kindergarten students.

### **Kindergarten:**

Friday, Aug. 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:00-12:00pm (Orientation sessions, 45 minutes each) (not an actual day of school)
Tuesday, Sept. 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:25-2:00pm (same schedule as the rest of school) 12:00-2:00 pm (supervised play, parents welcome to pick up after 12:00pm) (no childcare available from 2:00-4:00 pm)



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Wednesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> 8:25-4:00pm (same schedule as the rest of school)

-Friday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> 2:00-4:00 pm (supervised play, parents welcome to pick up after 2:00pm)

As you can see, the Kindergarten students will be on the same schedule as the rest of the school, but with more flexibility. We recognize how for some students the first week of school can be exhausting which is why the last 2 hours of each day will be supervised play, and parents are welcome to pick up their children early if they would like.

The Kindergarten students will be having General Studies, with Mrs. Dayan in the morning and Judaic Studies with Morah Lichtman and Morah Heffes in the afternoon. Please note that in the morning, Kindergarten students will line up with Grade 1 on the covered play area on the north side of the building, once the bell has gone. For after-school pick-up, the Kindergarten students are walked outside to the south undercover area where they will line-up and wait to be picked up. We do not dismiss the Kindergarten students until someone comes to pick them up. A more comprehensive set of Kindergarten procedures and routines will be sent home during the first week of school.

If you have not yet taken care of ordering your child's new school uniform, please contact Cambridge Uniforms as soon as possible so that your child will have uniforms for the start of school.

Along with this letter, you will find a copy of our fully updated Parent Information Handbook, Uniform Policy Pamphlet, Book and Supplies order forms and the VHA Code of Conduct contract.

We look forward to greeting you and your child on the first day of school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Don Pacht". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'D' and 'P'.

Rabbi Don Pacht  
Head of School