

Welcome to Brookside

As the parents of an incoming student, we know you have questions. Our goal is to put your mind at ease by giving you some basic information about the upcoming school year and our community. In the coming weeks each new family will be appointed an ambassador: a member of the PTA with children attending Brookside. This person will contact you directly, tell you about upcoming events, and will be available to answer any questions you may have, now and throughout the school year.

Brookside is a great school in a wonderful community. Caring teachers and involved parents are a big part of what make our school so special and we welcome your family and your support.

Key Dates

Kindergarten Play Dates	8/15 and 8/29/07
Brookside Family Picnic	8/23/07
First Day of School (1/2 day kindergarten)	9/5/07
Second Day of School (1/2 day kindergarten)	9/6/07
School Picture Day	9/14/07
Back to School BBQ	9/21/07
Back to School Night – Kindergarten	9/11/07
Back to School Night	9/18/07
Family Triathlon	10/13/07

Key People

Principal:

Kathryn Noble

kathryn.noble@shorelineschools.org

Front Office:

Diana Anderson & Corliss Liekkio

Note: When your child is absent, please call the front office and let Diana or Corliss know ASAP.

PTA:

For details about upcoming events and/or volunteer opportunities at Brookside, visit our website at www.brooksidepta.org.

Brookside Elementary School

17447 37th Avenue NE

Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

Tel: 206-368-4140

Fax: 206-368-4149

Web site: <http://schools.shorelineschools.org/brookside/>

The school day runs from 9:10am – 3:30pm.

The office is open from 8:00am – 4:30pm.

Note: Classroom doors open at 9:05am.

Children line up outside, and are let in through the outer classroom doors.

The back parking lot is the ONLY drop-off and pick-up location.



Brookside Elementary School New Family Basics

F.A.Q.'s

When will I know what class my child is in and how do we find out? At the end of August classes will be posted on the front doors of the school. Come down and meet other parents and their children as we find out together who our children's classmates are.

Can parents ride the bus with their child on the first few days of school? Yes. Let the bus driver know your plans on the first day.

What if I don't ride the bus with my child on the first day of school? Can I meet them at school? Yes. You can greet them as they get off the bus, and you can escort them into the classroom. However, the kindergarten teachers will want you to say your good-byes at the classroom door for the first few weeks of the school year.

How can I get to know other parents? Come to the PTA sponsored Family Picnic in August for all Brookside families and/or Kindergarten Playdates in August at the Brookside playground. In addition, parents will be gathering in the cafeteria for coffee and muffins on the first day of school. This is a great way to meet other parents, and learn more about our school.

What is the procedure for the bus on half days? Students will board the bus at 11:45am and be dropped off at their regular bus stop. Please meet your child at the bus stop or he/she won't be allowed off the bus.

How do I sign up for before/after school care? Call the Shoreline Children's Center at 206-361-4256.

What is the procedure for dropping my child off? Drive to the back of the school where student patrols will assist your child getting out of the car and show them where to go.

Can I eat lunch with my child? Can I buy lunch too? Yes. Ask your child's teacher or call the front office for the daily schedule so you'll know when they will be having lunch each day. On the last day of each month, a cafeteria calendar will be sent home with the upcoming month's lunch menu. You can also find the lunch menu on the district website: www.shorelineschools.org.

How do I set up a lunch account? Bring a check to the front office to pay for a bulk number of lunches. List your child's classroom and teacher on the check. (Lunches are \$2.25 each.)

Where can I get a school break calendar? You can find it online at: www.shorelineschools.org. Upcoming dates will be posted in the bi-monthly Brookside Bluejays newsletter.

How do I find out about classroom tours? Call the front office and inquire.

How do I contact my child's teacher? Send a note with your child or e-mail the teacher. (*first name.last name@shorelineschools.org*) Teachers are available by phone either before or after the school day at 368-4140.

How do I find out about volunteer opportunities in the classroom/school/PTA? Let the teacher know that you are interested in volunteering, look for info coming home from the teacher, talk to someone in the PTA, and look for info at Back to School Night. Opportunities are plentiful!!

Where can I find a list of supplies my child will need? Look for an updated list on the Brookside school website at the end of August. <http://schools.shorelineschools.org/brookside/>

