Maple Green Community Newsletter #3

September 29, 2022



Important Dates

- Friday, September 30 Monday, October 3 Monday, October 10 Tuesday, October 18 Friday, October 21 Wednesday, October 27
- National Truth & Reconciliation Day No School
- Individual Photo Day
- Thanksgiving School Closed
- PAC Annual General Meeting
- Pro-D Day No School
- Early Dismissal 1:30 pm

Principal's Message - Ms. Jennifer Pilchak

Many of you will have met Ms. Elder in her role as Acting Principal at Maple Green from Sept 15-29, 2022 while I was away due to gall bladder surgery. I want to thank Ms. Elder for being an amazing leader during this time. I know I appreciate the work she has put in, as do the students and families of Maple Green! THANK YOU MS. ELDER!!

I also want to thank all the families who came out to our Meet the Teacher event on Wednesday. It was wonderful to have so many families back in the school to meet staff and to see what their children are learning. Thank you for being such a supportive community!

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Sept. 30, 2022 -No school

This Friday marks the second-annual <u>National Day for Truth & Reconciliation</u>, and to recognize the day, numerous events are being held in Surrey and the Lower Mainland, as well as online, to acknowledge our country's history with First Nations and residential schools.

<u>Locally, the Surrey Urban Indigenous Leadership Committee</u> and <u>Skookum Surrey</u> are returning to Holland Park (13428 Old Yale Rd.) on Friday, Sept. 30 to host a community event from 2-4 p.m. The event will feature a keynote address from Elder Eugene Harry of the Cowichan Tribes, along with live drumming performances, Indigenous stories, tea and Bannock. All attendees are encouraged to wear orange shirts.





Photo Day - Monday, October 3, 2022 A reminder that individual photos will be taken on Monday, October 3, 2022, Can't wait to see the smiles!!

Lunch Information

Please continue to send lunch with your child(ren) each morning when they come to school, as we have been doing the past few years. This allows us to minimize ins and outs of visitors to our school which in turn helps lessen disruptions and possible exposure of highly allergenic foods. By doing so, it helps us work together to promote good organizational skills in our children along with healthy food habits. As a family, taking the time to prepare lunch and snacks the night before or in the morning, and discuss healthy foods that support learning builds skills that they will draw on later in life. We recognize your child(ren) may occasionally "forget" their lunch, of which we are prepared to support them here at school. Designated hot lunch days are a great time for your child to receive that once in a while "special treat". Thank you for your support.



Boys' Soccer Team

Our grade 6 and 7 boys are off to a great start with soccer! The 17 students who signed up have shown great sportsmanship and enthusiasm in their first exhibition game against William Watson Elementary and the next game will be Oct. 4 at Maple Green. Come and cheer them on!

Student Attendance

We ask that families ensure that children attend school on time, during scheduled hours, and minimize any mid-day interruptions, whenever possible. If your child is going to be away from school or late, please email the office at <u>maplegreen@surreyschools.ca</u> and provide the following information:



- First and Last Name of the student
- Teacher
- Division

EVERY CHILD MATTERS!





SURREY URBAN INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE





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NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

You are invited to an afternoon of drumming, sharing, tea, and bannock.



We encourage everyone to wear an orange shirt.



September 30, 2022 2-4 pm

Holland Park, 13428 Old Yale Rd, Surrey







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It's really tough to be going through hard stuff with a child or youth who is struggling with their mental health and they end up in crisis – and we want to help you. We know what it's like because we've been there.

TOPICS

Session 1 & 2: How to Support a Safety Plan at Home

Session 3: How to Take Care of Yourself and Family After a Crisis

Session 4: How to Find the Resources You Need

There is no cost to families. Registration is required: www.familysmart.ca/workshops

Region: FRASER

Dates: September 19, 21, 26 and 28, 2022 Times: Time: 12:00-1:00 pm

Dates: September 6, 8, 13 and 15, 2022 Times: Time: 6:00-7:00 pm

Dates: October 17, 19, 24 and 26, 2022 Times: Time: 12:00-1:00 pm

Dates: October 11, 13, 18 and 20, 2022 Times: Time: 5:00-6:00 pm

Help for the Hard Times workshops are facilitated by parents with lived experience. The workshops are hosted online and include a one-on-one video conference or phone call with a Facilitator.

