

Maple Green Community Newsletter #7

January 16, 2023



Important Dates

Monday, January 16

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Friday, January 27

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Tuesday, January 24

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Kindergarten Registration Begins

First People in Residence Week

Pink Shirt Orders due

PAC Meeting 6:30 pm in the library - everyone welcome!

Hot Lunch - Pizza Hut (Deadline for orders Jan. 19)

Principal's Message

Happy New Year! Everyone is settling back into the school routines, and we are busy planning for the many rich and wonderful learning experiences for the second term. One event to ask your child about this month is the First People in Residence week where cultural facilitators from our Aboriginal Education department will present to classes on topics ranging from Beadwork to Storytelling to learning the game of Slahal. We look forward to having them in person this year!

When Do Absences Become a Problem?



CHRONIC ABSENCE
18 or more days



WARNING SIGNS
10 to 17 days



SATISFACTORY
9 or fewer absences

Note: These numbers assume
a 180-day school year.

School Attendance:

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves.

As you set goals for the New Year, we must stress to families the importance of school attendance. Did you know that missing 18 days of school over the entire school year is considered "chronic absenteeism"? The research is very clear about the negative impact it has on students right from Kindergarten.

Here are some attendance facts:

- Chronic absence in Kindergarten is associated with lower academic performance in first grade, and the learning gap continues to grow each year if attendance rates don't improve.
- Poor attendance can influence whether children can read proficiently at the end of Grade 3.
- By Grade 6, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.

The foundation for success begins in elementary school.

What You Can Do

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpack the night before.
- Try to schedule appointments and extended vacations when school is not in session.

Being away just 2 days a month can add up very quickly over the year. How many days has your child missed this year? If you are unsure, please check the last report card or connect with your classroom teacher. We want to support you to ensure your child is at school and is successful not just this year, but in the years to come. Please connect with the school to start a conversation and let's work together to make it happen!

PAC Meeting - Tuesday, January 24 6:30 pm

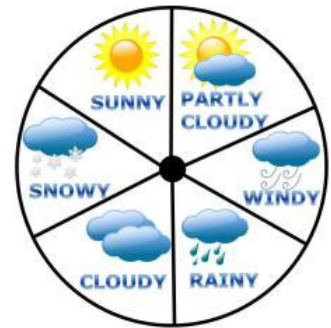
Join us on **Tuesday January 24th at 6:30pm** in the library for an update and discussion of our current PAC initiatives at the school. All caregivers are welcome!



Dress for the Weather at Recess & Lunch

Unless there is a severe weather warning, students will continue to go outside for recess and lunch. Free play, fresh air, and social interactions outside are a valuable part of students' learning each day. Please make sure that your child is dressed for the weather (including proper footwear, change of socks /clothes, warm waterproof outerwear and maybe an umbrella). Students will not be calling home during the day to have dry clothing brought to school, so please prepare in advance.

HOW'S THE WEATHER TODAY?



Chinese Lunar New Year - (Year of the Rabbit)

Sunday, January 22, 2023



Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, and other East Asian communities in Canada and around the world will mark the beginning of Lunar New Year.

This moment is a time of celebration and is marked by festivities like parades, lion dances and fireworks, while families and loved ones share a meal and exchange gifts. It is also a great opportunity for Canadians to celebrate the significant contributions that these communities make to our

country. Symbolizing longevity, peace, and prosperity in Chinese culture, the Year of the Rabbit highlights our shared values in the face of anti-Asian racism. Acts of violence, hate and discrimination have no place in Canada. As a country, we must stand united and stop hate in all its forms.

Pink Shirt Day

Please click on link below to order pink shirts

www.jaydeesclothing.com/pinkshirt2023

Password: pinkshirt2023

PINK SHIRT DAY 2023

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22ND



DESIGN A



DESIGN B



DESIGN C

T- SHIRTS \$10 INCLUDING TAX,

labelling and delivery to the school

\$1.00 will be donated to local youth organizations

Online ordering options available!

Order deadline Monday January 23rd at noon

Thank you for choosing Jay Dees

jaydeesclothing@hotmail.com

778-863-0176

It is time to register for



KINDERGARTEN

Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2024 are eligible to begin school in September 2023



Registration begins in
Surrey Schools
Monday, January 16, 2023



To REGISTER, PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) OR CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

(for school catchment areas, please view <https://www.surreyschools.ca/page/30/find-a-school> or call 604-595-6308)

THE SURREY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS NOW USING A WEB-BASED [ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Once submitted, the form and any supporting documents will be available to school staff and the Principal who will use their judgement to determine if documentation requirements have been satisfied.

The following documents are required to complete the registration process and may be uploaded to the registration portal or presented in-person at the catchment school or school-of-choice:

PART ONE: Required documentation (does not have to be from British Columbia)

1. Photo identification for the parent/guardian such as: driver's licence, passport, Photo BC Services Card, BCID card.
2. Evidence of guardianship (as shown on child's birth certificate, or other appropriate legal documentation, such as, landed immigrant document or guardianship order).
3. Evidence of birth date for the student (e.g., birth certificate or passport).



PART TWO: Evidence of residence for the parent/guardian in British Columbia

4. Valid government issued documentation showing the address of residence with the name of ordinarily resident parent/guardian (e.g., BC Driver's License, BC Services Card, BCID or ICBC Registration Document, etc.).

If the above documents are not available, the Principal uses discretion to register Students.



FOUR PROGRAMS OF CHOICE (LISTED BELOW) ARE AVAILABLE FOR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS.

Application to these programs is made through the online lottery system starting Monday, January 23, 2023

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/page/820/programs-of-choice>

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THEIR LOCAL CATCHMENT SCHOOL BEFORE APPLYING FOR THE KINDERGARTEN CHOICE LOTTERY



FRENCH IMMERSION

Laronde
1880 Laronde Drive
604-536-1826

Martha Currie
5811 - 184 Street
604-576-8551

Pacific Heights
17148 26 Avenue
604-531-2828

Peace Arch
15877 Roper Avenue
604-536-8711

Riverdale
14835 - 108A Avenue
604-588-5978

Simon Cunningham
9380 - 140 Street
604-588-4435



FRENCH IMMERSION CONT...

Woodward Hill
6082 - 142 Street
604-594-2408

INTENSIVE ARTS EDUCATION

David Brankin
9160 - 128 Street
604-585-9547

White Rock
1273 Fir Street
604-531-5731

MONTESSORI

Douglas
17325 2 Avenue
604-535-0180



MONTESSORI CONT...

Latimer Road
19233 - 60 Avenue
604-576-9184

Mountainview
15225 - 98 Avenue
604-589-1193

TRADITIONAL

Cloverdale
17857 - 56 Avenue
604-576-8295

McLeod Road
6325 - 142 Street
604-595-1060

Surrey
13875 - 113 Avenue
604-588-1248



For more information, contact a school or visit www.surreyschools.ca

Order Your Hot Lunch!!!

Pizza Hut on **Friday January 27th**



- Cheese Pizza
- Pepperoni Pizza
- Veggie Pizza
- Ham & Pineapple Pizza
- Doritos
- Chips
- Cookies
- Juice

Last day for order & payment online is **11:59pm Thursday Jan 19th**

www.munchalunch.com/schools/maplegreen

or find the quick link at www.surreyschools.ca/maplegreen

****Please note that we are not running cafeteria or concession and will not provide hot lunch to those who bring cash on that day. Please make sure you order online before the deadline so your kids don't miss out!**

If you have any problems with ordering and/or payment through munchalunch or if you would like to talk to us, please feel free to contact us at: maplegreenpac@gmail.com or call/text Shelley at 604-722-5354