

Community News Flash #22

February 2, 2024



Important Dates

February 4th

February 7th

February 9th

February 12th

February 14th

February 15th

February 19th

February 23rd

- Dim Sum & Orange Orders Due

- Lunar New Year Coloring Contest Deadline

- Dim Sum Order Pick Up 2:30pm - 3:30pm

- Lunar New Year Market

- 7:00pm PAC Meeting

- Valentines Store (before & after school)

- 5:30pm PAC Movie Night

- Family Day - School Closed

- Pro D Day

Black History Month

February 2024

During Black History Month, people in Canada honour the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians and their communities who, throughout history, have done so much to make Canada a culturally diverse, compassionate, and prosperous country.

The theme for Black History Month 2024 is **Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build.**

Did You Know?

Mathieu Da Costa was a navigator and interpreter whose presence in Canada dates back to the early 1600s.

Some Loyalists who came to Canada after the American Revolution and settled in the Maritimes were people of African descent.

Many soldiers of African descent made many sacrifices in wartime as far back as the War of 1812.

From the early 1900s to the late 1960s, the East Side neighborhood of Strathcona (Hogan's Alley) was home to Vancouver's first and only black community.



In Surrey Schools:

Many active Black Student Associations (BSA) are focused on advocacy and awareness.

Racial Equity Department

Black Strathcona



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Shoot for the Stars!

A compassionate, interconnected, inclusive learning community.
Always shooting for the STARS!



We are safe!

- We welcome everyone
- We keep our hands and feet to ourselves
- We give others space when they need it
- We seek help when we need it



We are thoughtful!

- We care for each other
- We understand we are all different
- We support our classmates
- We include others



We are accountable!

- We admit our mistakes
- We always try our best
- We follow classroom expectations
- We make our school a better place to learn and play



We are respectful!

- We value all the diverse people at our school
- We take turns when playing and learning
- We listen to and learn from new ideas and perspectives
- We show consideration for others



"During the months of February and March, our school community will be focusing on the virtue "Kindness" and the S.T.A.R word "Thoughtful".

ROSEMARY HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY

MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY, FEB 15TH
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

COME WATCH THE NEW TROLLS MOVIE AND HELP US REACH OUR
FUNDRAISING GOAL FOR AN OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE!



ENTRY IS \$2 AT THE DOOR. ALL CHILDREN MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

Happy Lunar New Year! The Year of the Dragon begins on Saturday, February 10th, 2024

Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, and other East Asian communities in Canada and worldwide will celebrate this joyous occasion. Festivities include parades, lion dances, fireworks, and sharing meals and gifts with loved ones. It's a wonderful time for Canadians to recognize the significant contributions these communities make to our country.

In the Year of the Dragon, we honor this charming creature from Chinese culture, symbolizing wisdom, and strength. Dragons bring luck and liveliness to the year, inspiring us to face challenges with confidence. Together in Canada, we stand against anything harmful, ensuring a happy and safe life for all. Let's unite like good friends, contributing to a better and more positive society.

Additionally:

- ****Lunar New Year Dim Sum Sale:**** Our annual dim sum fundraiser is back! Orders open on MunchaLunch from January 28 to February 4, and pickups are on Wednesday, February 7th, from 2:30 to 4:00 pm in the school lobby. Contact emmyxiazhang@gmail.com for alternative pickup arrangements. Enjoy these carefully curated authentic selections from our Multicultural Committee.

- ****Lunar New Year Marketplace:**** Join our marketplace on Friday, February 9th, from 8:00 to 8:30 am or 2:30 to 3:30 pm, where students can buy commemorative trinkets priced between \$1 to \$15.



Gong Hey Fat Choy Happy Lunar New Year 2024 Event Schedule

Januray 19th
Drawing Conctect Start

January 28th – February 4th
Dim Sum & Orange Pre-order

February 2nd
Lunar New Year Hot Lunch

February 7th
Orders Pickup 14:30–15:30

February 9th, **EVENT DAY!!!**
Marketplace 8–8:30 & 14:30–15:30
Assembly 9–9:30
Parade, Lion Dance 9:30–9:45
Culture Station 10:30–14:30
Red Evelop
Riddles
Prize &
more...



2024 -
Year of the Dragon

6 Lucky Food for Lunar New Year



Pineapple Cake
Good luck is booming



Rice Ball
Family Reunion



Mandarine
Good Luck & Fortune



Dumpling
Wealth & Treasure



Spring Roll
Fresh Start



Sticky Rice Dessert
Better & Higher Year

**Rosemary Heights Drawing Contest:
Year of the Dragon**



People who are born in the Year of the Dragon (2012, 2000, 1988, 1976, 1964...) are known to be charismatic, intelligent, confident, and are naturally lucky. Draw an image of a dragon you like. One winner will be chosen per grade. Your drawing will also be featured in the school newsletter! 1 entry per student, to be handed to Mrs. Leslie in the library, or emailed to the office (rosemaryheights@surreyschools.ca).
Deadline: Wednesday, February 7th. Good luck and have fun!

Name: _____
Grade: _____ Div: _____



POSITIVELY PARENTING SERIES

Tuesdays February 6 - 27, 2024
6:30 - 8:00pm

Positively Parenting is an interactive and informative parent education series for parents and caregivers of children & youth of all ages.

This **FREE, 4-part online series** provides opportunity for discussions, effective strategies and resources. Each week builds on the next, with topics including:

What's Love Got to Do With It?

Relationship building & the connection to parenting

Why Are you Acting this Way?

Understanding challenging behaviour and our response

Listen to Me!

Listening, communication, emotions & the brain

We Have a Problem...

Problem solving strategies and more

Scan the QR code to register! →

<https://forms.gle/D2eFRR6SND2H9Uqp8>



Email: parented@alexhouse.net



Phone: 604-538-5060



Student Absences

If your child is going to be away from school or late to school please email the office at rosemaryheights@surreyschools.ca and include the following information:

- First and Last Name
- Teacher and Division
- Reason

Visitors at Rosemary Heights

For safety and security, all visitors must sign in at the main office counter and receive a visitor badge prior to entering any classrooms. Teachers will not be allowing parents to enter the classroom directly through their outside classroom doors.

Mobile Apps

Surrey Schools has a ne/w mobile App that is now available in the Apple and Android app stores. Anyone can download the app and subscribe to District or School Notifications, News and Events.

In the app store search for 'Surrey Schools' or use the links below.

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=ca.schoolbundle.surrey>

iOS: <https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/surrey-schools/id1611336585>

