

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Sunrise Ridge Elementary School. We are a community of learners that enrolls students from Kindergarten to Grade 7 in an English program and Grade 6 and 7 Late French Immersion program.

At Sunrise Ridge we strive to build a strong and caring community where students are responsible citizens. It is our goal to work together with our families and community partners to ensure every child has been given the best possible opportunities for success.

Our staff at Sunrise Ridge is known for their kindness, competency, and dedication to supporting our students and families. Our staff and support team care about your child's well-being.

As a valued member of our school community, you are invited to become an active participant in our school and in your child's learning. Parents can participate in a variety of ways including volunteering through our Parent Advisory Council and in our classrooms. It can also mean supporting your child's learning at home.

I look forward to working with the Sunrise Ridge community again this year as I know we have an interesting and exciting year ahead!

Mrs. Leona Brennan
Principal
Sunrise Ridge Elementary

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR LEARNING

Sunrise students, staff, and parents have the **RIGHT:**

- ✓ *To learn.*
- ✓ *To speak and be heard.*
- ✓ *To be valued and to be treated considerately.*
- ✓ *To be safe.*

Sunrise students, staff, and parents have the **RESPONSIBILITY:**

- ✓ *To always be ready to learn.*
- ✓ *To listen courteously when others are speaking.*
- ✓ *To respect the rights of others.*
- ✓ *To help solve problems in peaceful ways.*
- ✓ *To act in a safe manner at all times.*
- ✓ *To participate actively and positively in school activities.*

COMMUNICATION

In an effort to reduce waste and costs incurred by distributing paper communications, our school participates in many electronic forms to communicate information to families. We would like to take this opportunity to let you know the many different ways that you can receive school event information such as newsletters, upcoming events, and weekly notices.

Download the "NEW" Surrey School District App (Apple or Android) and select Sunrise Ridge as your home school. This app provides news, announcements, alerts, school closure reminders, urgent notifications, contact information and featured stories from the District and the schools you choose. The app keeps you up to date with the schools that are important to you.



Please make sure to always have your email address updated through the office so that you will receive all communications from the district and school.



SAFE ARRIVAL PROGRAM



In the interest of student safety, if your child is going to be away and or late from school, please phone the school **(604) 576-3000** and leave a message on the voice mail system or with the secretary to report your child's absence. Each morning and afternoon, the secretary verifies all unaccounted absences by contacting parents/guardians. Thank you for your cooperation.

BELL SCHEDULE for 2022-2023

8:30 a.m.	Welcome Bell
8:35 a.m.	Classes Commence
10:15 a.m.	Recess Begins
10:30 a.m.	Recess Ends
11:45 a.m.	Lunch Commences (Students go outside) 12:00
p.m.	Lunch Continues (Students eat lunch inside)
12:30 p.m.	Lunch Ends
2:30 p.m.	Classes Dismissed



SCHOOL VISITORS

All visitors to our school are required to sign in at the office and receive a visitor badge. The School District has detailed procedures in place should an intruder or trespasser enter the building. Staff and students are familiar with these procedures.

STUDENT ILLNESS/INJURY

The School Act gives teachers the same responsibility as that of prudent parents. In cases of illness or injury, we try to be overly cautious.

- Colds are common and present a particular dilemma. We encourage you to keep your child at home rather than sending him/her to school and infecting other students with the germs.
- We are particularly cautious about head and stomach complaints. We will be quick to contact home.
- With bumps, bruises, minor cuts and scrapes, we administer first aid.
- If we phone home and get no answer, we try your emergency contact number or your place of work.
- In obvious emergency situations, we will call an ambulance first and then try to make contact with you or your designate.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

During the first few weeks of school parents will be asked to revise student information. This includes updating emergency contacts and medical issues. This information is updated in the office computers and it enables us to reach you or your designate if your child becomes ill or is injured during school hours, or if there is an emergency school closure. Please keep us advised of any changes.

HEALTH INFORMATION

The parent/guardian is required to update **Medical Alert Forms** in September of each year or as changes are made during the school year. If medication is required it should be supplied to the school in the original container with your child's name and the pharmacist's directions for use including dosage. For medications stored at school, please place all medications in a Ziploc bag with your child's photo attached. In the event that the supply of medication stored at the school is used up or expired, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to renew the supply. Medical Alert forms are kept in the office and the secretary will be able to help parents or guardians with this process.



PARKING/ PICKUP AND DROPOFF

For safety and security reasons, parents are asked to obey the posted "No Stopping" and "No Parking" signs on the right side of the drive thru roadway. The school parking lot should not be used as a drop zone.



EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

Sometimes, extreme weather or other unusual circumstances can cause a school closure on very short notice. During such an incident, parents are advised to

check the Surrey School District website www.surreyschooldistrict.ca and the Surrey School District App. Also, follow Surrey School District on Twitter

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

We are very fortunate at Sunrise to have a supply of laptops and iPad available for all students at any time needed. It is not necessary or required that your child have a personal device for school use, however with parent and teacher consent, personal devices may be brought to school with the understanding that:

- they are used for educational purposes only and with the classroom teacher's consent.
- students are not to have devices (personal or school) powered on during recess or lunch.



SCHOOL DRESS EXPECTATIONS

Students and staff are expected to dress in a manner appropriate to establish a positive learning atmosphere at an elementary school. We want to see clothing worn that will ensure the physical and personal safety of all of our students. Clothing for school should follow these guidelines:

- Students are expected to dress in ways that are appropriate and that show respect for themselves, for others and for the school.
- Students should avoid any clothing that displays expressions or graphics which could be judged offensive, including alcohol or drug references, etc.
- Students should avoid clothing that could interfere with their safe participation in activities.

Students are outdoors during recess and lunch despite the weather. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for wet or colder weather (e.g. raincoats, boots and mitts)