



Maple Green Elementary

Community Newsletter #2

September 15, 2025

Important Dates

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| Monday, September 15 th | - PAC Meeting 6:30pm in the library |
| Thursday, September 18 th | - Individual Photo Day |
| Friday, September 19 th | - Terry Fox Run 1:45 pm |
| Wednesday, September 24 th | - Hot Lunch (orders due Sept 17th) |
| Thursday, September 25 th | - Meet the Teacher 4pm-6pm |
| Friday, September 26 th | - Orange Shirt Day |
| Monday, September 29 th | - Pro D Day - No School |
| Tuesday, September 30 th | - Truth and Reconciliation Day -
School Closed |
| Monday, October 6 th | - PAC AGM 6:30pm in the library |

Message from the Principal - Ms. Pilchak

Thank you to our amazing community for your patience and support as we completed class formation and are now ready to settle into routines. We are off to quick start with some fantastic educational experiences planned for your child. We have our Terry Fox Run on Friday and next week we will be hosting district Indigenous leaders who will present to classes and be part of our learning leading up to National Truth and Reconciliation Day. Many of these experiences would not be possible without the support of our Parent Advisory Committee. All parents are automatically on the committee, and we just need people to attend meetings to help support the school! Hope to see you at the first meeting tonight at 6:30 pm in the library. Alternatively, the next meeting is on October 6 at 6:30. It is the start of an awesome school year!

Introducing our New School Logo!



Many of you will recall that last year we engaged in a process to select a new mascot for Maple Green that involved students, staff and our community. We are proud to show our new Grizzly logo designed by famous Katzie artist, Rain Pierre. Each part of the logo has meaning for our students. Here is how the artist describes the work: "The symbols I have put on the ankles of the bear remind us that we should be grounded while we walk this journey together. They all point upwards to the sky to remind us to aim high and be proud of where we

come from and the things we have accomplished in life. The eye on the back is looking back to remind us to look back to give thanks for how far we have come, but also remind us that healing comes from reflection and we must always look out for each other." I think we can all agree that the message embodied in the logo is one we want for all students at Maple Green!

Meet the Teacher - Thursday, Sept. 25th 4-6pm

Please drop by between 4 pm - 6pm on Thursday, September 26th in order to meet your child's teacher and to see the classroom. Your child is welcome to show you around and we look forward to seeing you!

Terry Fox Run - Friday, September 19th

This week students will learn about Canadian hero Terry Fox before starting our own run at about 1:45 pm. We participate in this event to not only celebrate Terry Fox, but also to raise money to fund cancer research. We are asking families to please donate online and help our school reach its goal of \$1000! Please use this link: [Maple Green Donates to Cure Cancer!](#)

This event is rain or shine. Families are welcome to help supervise along our route which takes us along Spenser Drive, through Maple Park and then back up the school driveway from 84th Ave. Divisions 17 & 18 remain on the property only on the grass field. Hope to see you there!

Staff Information for 2025-2026

Div 1. Gr. 6/7 Ms. Goulah
Div 2. Gr. 6/7 Ms. Deamer

Div 3. Gr. 6/7 Ms. Manhas

Div 4. Gr. 5/6 Ms. Insell

Div 5. Gr. 5/6 Mr. Punia

Div 6. Gr. 4/5 Ms. Sandhu

Div 7. Gr. 4/5 Ms. Vilio

Div 8. Gr. 4/5 Ms. Agpoon

Div 9. Gr. 3/4 Ms. Thompson

Div 10. Gr. 3/4 Ms. Beard

Div 11. Gr. 2/3 Ms. Hill (W-F)
& Ms. Chu (M/T)

Div 12. Gr. 1/2 Ms. Tea (M-Th) &
Ms. Kim (F)

Div 13. Gr. 1/2 Ms. Schroer (M-Th)
& Ms. Chu (F)

Div 14. Gr. 1/2 Ms. Dhillon

Div 15 Gr. 1/2 Ms. Gagan

Div 16. Gr. K/1 Ms. Garcia

Div 17. Gr. K Ms. Na

Div 18. Gr. K Ms. Czihaly (M-Th) &
Ms. Reich (F)

Lunch Information

Please 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 discussing 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 PAC hot lunch days are a great time for your child to receive that once in a while "special treat" through our school order. Thank you for your support.



Welcome to the Maple Green Elementary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) 2025-2026 School Year

What is the PAC?

The Maple Green Parent Advisory Council (PAC) works together with parents and the school for the benefit of our children. We also contribute to the sense of community within our neighborhoods. With a child at the school, you are automatically part of the PAC. We would love it even more if you became an active member! Volunteer time, skills, provide support during fundraisers... anything is helpful!

Why Fundraise?

PAC is independent of the school, but we do help to raise funds for things not in the budget. This includes classroom funds for supplies, new technology, athletic and academic equipment and activities, field trips and much more. Typical fundraisers include hot lunch, treat days, raffles, the read-a-thon, etc. All money raised goes to the school to facilitate our student's personal and academic achievement and to enrich their school experience.

When does PAC meet?

We meet approximately once a month to ensure that we are organized, on track, and to brainstorm ideas. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Monday September 15th at 6:30pm in the library**. In addition, we also see each other at community and fundraising events, building some friendships along the way.

How can I get involved?

Contact us and volunteer! It really is as easy as that. As much time as you are comfortable with is all we ask of you. Whether you can make it to the meetings or not, we are always looking for volunteers to help with hot lunches, treat days, and various other fundraising events. Contact us by email at maplegreenpac@gmail.com if you would like to be added to our list of potential volunteers. We need all the help we can get!



PAC MEETING

Monday Sept. 15th @ 6:30pm

AGM: Monday Oct 6th @ 6:30pm

In the school library

Keep up to date with our events:



Maple Green Elementary PAC

Order Your Hot Lunch!!!

Little Caesars on **Wednesday Sept 24th**



- Pizza
- Crazy Bread
- Chips
- Doritos
- Cookies
- Juice

Order & Payment Deadline

11:59pm Wednesday Sept 17th

www.munchalunch.com/schools/maplegreen

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

REMINDERS:

- 1) **Late orders cannot be accommodated.** We have to submit orders to the vendor a week ahead, so we cannot add any after the due date.
- 2) **Refunds will not be given for student absences.** We have to pay the vendor ahead of time for submitted orders. If your child is not at school, contact us and we can put the order aside for you to pick up around 11:40am or consider it a donation to a student in need.
- 3) **Orders that are not paid by the due date will be cancelled.** Please make sure you order AND PAY online, before the deadline, so your kids don't miss out! You will receive 2 email confirmations. One for the order and one for payment. Make sure you get both!

If you have any questions or problems with ordering and/or payment through munchalunch please feel free to contact us at:

maplegreenpac@gmail.com

Munchalunch Instructions:

1) Access the website www.munchalunch.com/schools/maplegreen or find the quick link at www.surreyschools.ca/maplegreen



2. If you have ordered with us previously, login with the same information, update your child's class when prompted, and order as usual.

If this is your first time ordering, click on the "register here" link. You will be prompted to verify your school. Click "yes"

The image shows the registration form for a Munchalunch account. It includes fields for 'Parent First Name', 'Parent Last Name', 'Parent Email', 'Confirm Email', 'Create Password', and 'Confirm Password'. At the bottom, there is a large orange button labeled 'Create My Account'.

3. Create your account by filling in your name, email, and create your password. Click "Create My Account".

NOTE Use an email that you check regularly. You will receive 2 emails when you place an order. One confirming your order, and another that you have paid. Make sure that you receive these emails, otherwise your order will not go through and your child will not receive hot lunch.

The image shows the 'Before continuing, please select from the contact options below so you can stay informed.' screen. It includes two checkboxes: '(If applicable) I would like to receive Lunch Reminder emails' and '(If applicable) I consent to being contacted about school related matters.' Both are checked. At the bottom, there is a large orange button labeled 'Save and Continue >'.

4. Select whether you would like to receive a reminder the day before hot lunch.

**** Before ordering, please add a child to your account ****

2 Easy Steps:

1. Click 'Add a Child' > enter their details > click Save.
(if you are Staff/Guest/Visitor, enter yourself 'as the child')
2. Click 'Order Lunch' or 'Fundraising' to begin ordering.

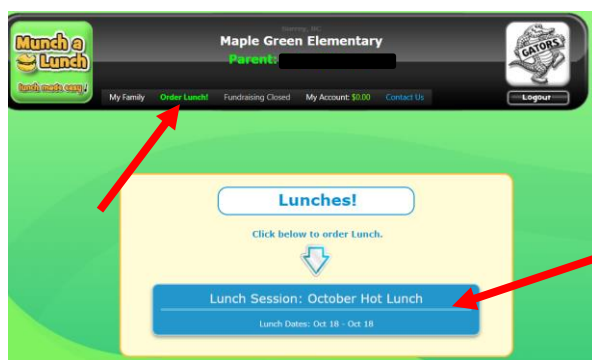
+ Add a Child

Student First Name	Student Last Name	Grade	Class / Division
Student First Name:			
Student Last Name:			
Grade:	Grade needed due to some split classes		
Class / Division:	This is delivery location for your order.		
		-Select a Grade-	-Select a Class-

Save Cancel

No records to display.

5. Enter your child's name and select their grade and division. Make sure their division is correct as that is where their lunch will be delivered to. Select "Add a child" if you have more than one child at Maple Green to add them for your future ordering.



6. When you set up your account, it will ask if you would like to order hot lunch. Click on the Lunch session. For future hot lunches, click "Order Lunch" at the top of the page.

10/18 (Fri) - Hot Lunch MENU Oct 18.

Item Name	Item Description	Price
1: Meals		
6" Cheese Pizza		\$5.50
6" Ham & Pineapple Pizza		\$5.50
6" 3 Meat Pizza	(pepperoni, bacon & sausage)	\$5.50
6" Vegetarian Pizza	mushroom & green pepper	\$5.50
Crazy Bread - 4 sticks		\$4.00
2: Drinks		
Orange Juice box	orange juice	\$1.00
Grape Juice box	grape juice	\$1.00
3: Treats		
Regular Chips		\$1.50
Nacho Cheese Doritos		\$1.50

To add more items:
select them from the left.

select

Order

Item Name	Price Each	Qty	Daily Total	# of Days	Menu Total	
6" Pepperoni Pizza	\$5.50	1	\$5.50	1	\$5.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crazy Bread - 6 sticks	\$4.50	1	\$4.50	1	\$4.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Apple Juice box	\$1.00	1	\$1.00	1	\$1.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bag of Chocolate Chip cookies	\$1.50	1	\$1.50	1	\$1.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Totals:			\$12.50		\$12.50	REMOVE

Menu 1 of 1

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or
go to:
10/18 (Fri) - Hot Lunch

Jump to last Menu >>

7. Select the items on the left that you would like to order for the first child by clicking on them. Click on the green "select" arrow. Your child's order will appear on the right hand side. Click "finish" when done.

Is this correct?

If NOT correct, go back and Edit

< Go Back and Edit

If correct, click Next

Next >

8. Verify your order and click "next" if it is correct for this child.

Oct 18, 2024 (Fri) - [10/18 (Fri) - Hot Lunch]			
6" Pepperoni Pizza		\$5.50	1 \$5.50
Crazy Bread - 6 sticks		\$4.50	1 \$4.50
Apple Juice box	apple juice	\$1.00	1 \$1.00
Bag of Chocolate Chip cookies		\$1.50	1 \$1.50
			\$12.50

Your Total:
The total for [redacted] for the October Hot Lunch session is:

\$12.50

Is the above order correct for [redacted] ?

< No, go back and edit Yes, this is correct >

9. Check your order and click “yes, this is correct” to proceed or “no, go back and edit” to make changes.


You have 1 order that has not yet been emailed to you.
If you are finished creating orders, click 'Next'.

Create another order? **Or Finished?**

< Create another LUNCH order Next >>

10. If you have additional children at the school to order for, click “create another lunch order” and follow the previous steps for each child. When you have finished ordering for all of your children, click “Next”.


Payment will be made to
Maple Green PAC




Your credit card statement will display
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Credit Card Payment

Card

Card number 


Expiration date Security code 

Country
Canada Postal code

 Google Pay

11. Fill in your credit card information and submit to make payment. Once it is processed, you will see a payment “Success” message. You should now have 2 emails. One confirming the order and one confirming payment. Please make sure the payment email is received as your order may be cancelled if payment hasn’t been processed.


Payment Status

 **Success!**

Paid \$12.50 to Maple Green Elementary

< Go to My Account

OR

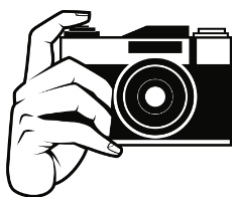


Logout

Orange Shirt Day Orders – deadline Sept. 18th

Families can order Orange Shirts to wear on Sept. 26th. Show your support for survivors of Residential Schools and remember those who did not make it home.

maplegreenorangeshirtday2025.itemorder.com



Photos and Videos of Students

Families, please remember that there should be no photos or videos taken on school grounds that include students other than your own children without permission.

School Supplies

School supply lists have been posted on our website and students should have brought them to school now.



Medical Alerts

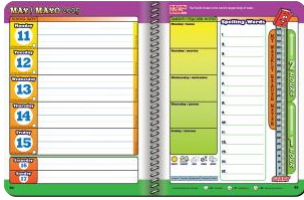


Parents should ensure that the school is informed of any medical conditions which require emergency response. **There are forms at the office for students with life threatening**

allergies, asthma, seizures etc. Please make sure that all information is up to date and any medication that is needed is labeled and all information is current. When a child needs medications at school, particular District policies must be followed. Please make sure to see the office if this pertains to your child.

Visitors at Maple Green

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.



Parent Handbook / Student Planners

- All students in Grades 1-7 are expected to purchase a planner for \$5.00. Payment can be submitted through CashOnline (preferred) or cash will be collected by classroom teacher

Back to School Tips to Help Students Succeed

*****Get Routines Established Early*****

- planners signed
- nightly reading time
- set homework place and time-free from distractions
- assignment calendar for quick reference
- lots of sleep

*****Eat Healthy*****

Give your child's mind the fuel it needs to be alert. Keep nutritional snacks, such as cut up fruit and vegetables, cheese sticks, low fat yogurt and butter free popcorn, on hand.



*****Review Safety Tips*****

- make sure your kids know safe routes to and from school
- know their address and phone number

*****Get lots of sleep*****

- establish a bedtime routine that allows for calming down time free of tv, and video games
- this is the perfect time to share in a read aloud of a favorite story
- research shows that there should be NO SCREEN TIME 30 minutes prior to bedtime for optimal sleep



Optional Student Accident Insurance

Did you know that the Surrey School District does not insure expenses for student injuries that happen on school grounds or during school activities? You are responsible for these expenses as a parent or guardian.

Several private insurance providers offer accident insurance to help cover unexpected expenses. Parents interested in purchasing student accident insurance are encouraged to select a provider and plan that best meets their family's needs. For added convenience, Surrey Schools provides information on available options through [Insure My Kids](#) and [Study Insured Student Accident](#).

Some of the Plan features:

- Provides coverage 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, in or out of school.
- Coverage for expenses that may be limited or excluded under MSP, private, or group insurance plans—such as private tutoring, lump-sum payments for fractures and dislocations, counseling services, and more (see plan details for a full list)
- Covers injury related **Dental** (including future expenses).
- Ambulance fees
- Covers injury related **Eyeglasses** (limits may apply).
- Annual premiums range from \$17 - \$33 per student.
(Discounts are available for families with 3 or more children).

For more information, or to purchase directly online, please visit insuremykids.com or studyinsuredstudentaccident.com

Combined-grade classes: Learning together

Combined-grade classes consist of students in two consecutive grades grouped together in one class. They are common both locally and internationally, with "one out of every five Canadian students enrolled in a multi-grade classroom" according to at least one study. There is a good chance that Surrey children will have the experience of being in a combined-grade class during their elementary school years.

Organizing classes to best meet the needs of all students is a complex process. While practical factors such as shifting enrolment, class size and composition influence the formation of classes, the Surrey School District is committed to creating balanced classes that focus on students' learning strengths and the needs of the whole child.

There are academic as well as social benefits to combined-grade classes. Studies indicate that children in combined classes do as well academically as children in single grades.

Research has shown that combined classes:

- allow students learn from one another,
- provide models for younger students,
- help older students see what they've already learned,
- provide opportunities for a greater range of learning,
- encourage students to work together,
- promote social responsibility,
- help students to become independent and
- foster a positive attitude toward school.

Students in combined classes are not held back to the level of younger students, nor are they expected to handle work beyond their ability. In every classroom, there is a wide range of skills and abilities. Children mature at different rates in various aspects of development. Teachers are aware of these individual differences and structure learning activities according to the needs of each learner.

Children learn continually; their intellectual, social and personal development does not occur in discrete steps according to grade level. Studies have found that on average, a single-grade class includes students whose development spans five years. The developmental range in a combined class is not significantly different.

Within the combined class there will be children of both grade levels with similar levels of performance. Whether a child is gifted or needs considerable assistance, each will be challenged to excel as much in a combined class as he or she would be in a single-grade class.

Researchers have reported successful learning is less dependent on how students are grouped into classes, than on the quality of instructional practices.

