



Holly Elementary School

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MR SHOOK'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to Holly students and staff for a wonderful term full of CARING! We have seen many outstanding student projects and learning activities and a full season of basketball. Thank you so much to Mr. Oskam, Mr. Moxness and Ms. Myles for coaching our teams.

Teachers have been working hard on writing report cards and uploading learning onto student FreshGrade accounts. Report Cards will be handed to students on Friday, March 10. Make sure you set some quality time aside to share with your child all his or her successes. Reading the report card and/or reviewing their FreshGrade account together on an ongoing basis is a great way to share. You can stop at many points to ask your child questions or have him or her elaborate on specific things. Always try to focus on celebrating the successes and also establish one or two learning goals for the next term.

We wish you a safe and happy Spring Break full of fun activities and hopefully some sunny weather as well. We look forward to seeing all of our Holly Hawks on Monday, March 27!

Sincerely,
Andrew Shook

GRADE SEVEN TRANSITIONS

ALL grade 7 students must register at Guildford Park Secondary School for Grade 8, regardless of plans for next year. We do this in our office!

Exception: If you have already registered and have been accepted at another high school, you do not need to register at Guildford Park.

School Meal Program

Our amazing meal program serves approximately 400 students each day. A few points to consider if you would like your child to be on the meal program:

Forms must be signed every month by the parent and returned.

Please note any food allergies and/or food restrictions (for religious reasons only) on the form.

It is very important that your children eat what is provided on the lunch program. **There is a daily menu included on the back of each form; should your child not like what is on the menu then he or she must bring a lunch from home on that day.**

****NEW** Students will no longer automatically get lunches until their form is returned.**

Jump Rope for Heart

Once again Holly students out did themselves, they collected over \$2200 in donations for Jump Rope for Heart. Congratulations and well done!!



Students also had the opportunity to take part in Jump Rope for Heart. Thanks to Mrs. Taylor and Division 2 for organizing this meaningful event. Holly students raised over \$2000.00 for this awesome event! Our staff is so proud of our students and all their wonderful accomplishments this term. Holly is truly an incredible place of learning, playing and caring!

PLEASE KEEP US CURRENT!

- Change of address
- New phone numbers
- Canadian Citizenship***
- BC Care Card
- Permanent Resident status
- Medical Concerns
- Custody Issues

MOVING OVER SPRING BREAK? *Please* let us know so we make a smooth transition for your child. Thank you.

Parents as Partners: Supporting Learning at Home

■ Tell family tales.

Children love to hear stories about their family. Talk about a funny thing that happened when you were young.

■ Create a writing toolbox.

Fill a box with drawing and writing materials. Find opportunities for your child to write, such as the shopping list, thank you notes, or birthday cards.

■ Be your child's #1 fan.

Ask your child to read aloud what he or she has written for school. Be an enthusiastic listener.

■ One more time with feeling.

When your child has sounded out an unfamiliar word, have him or her re-read that sentence. Often kids are so busy figuring out a word they lose the meaning of what they've just read.

■ Create a book together.

Fold pieces of paper in half and staple them to make a book. Ask your child to write sentences on each page and add his or her own illustrations.

■ Do storytelling on the go.

Take turns adding to a story the two of you make up while riding in a car or bus. Try making the story funny or spooky.

School Hours



All students should be at school at 8:20 am and be ready to enter class when the bell rings at 8:25 am.

Class begins at 8:30 am, coming to school just before 9:00 a.m. means that your child is late.

Late students disrupt the class and teacher upon entering the classroom. Late students also demand considerable time from the secretaries. Please help us by ensuring that your child arrives at school on time.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

March

- 10 – Second Formal Report Cards
- 10 – Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
- 11 – Daylight Saving Begins – Turn your clocks **forward** 1 hour
- 27 – School Re-opens

April

- 14 – Good Friday – School Closed
- 17 – Easter Monday – School Closed

May

- 2 – Group Picture Day
- 3 – Early Dismissal – Student Let Conferences
- 5 – Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
- 22 – Victoria Day – School Closed
- 29 – Non-Instructional Day – School Closed



CHECK THE FIRST PAGE IN YOUR CHILD'S PLANNER FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR!