



Holly Elementary School

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MR SHOOK'S MESSAGE

The end of the school year is always filled with many feelings for students and staff. There is sadness because a great year is ending, pride in achieving many goals and also happiness at the prospect of a summer full of freedom and fun. The end of June is a good time to reflect on the school year and all those accompanying feelings. Personally, I am left with the feeling of gratitude that I am able to be a part of such an amazing community. The staff are incredibly dynamic, caring and professional. The students amaze me every day with their zest for learning and pride in doing a good job. Our parents are involved and committed to the Holly School community. Our amazing PAC has been dedicated all year to providing students with great opportunities from field trips, fine arts performances, Movie Nights, and track concessions to name a few. We are one very big, cohesive family that I am so proud to be a part of. Have a safe, fun and active summer! I look forward to seeing you all on September 5th to begin our next adventure in learning!

Sincerely,
Andrew Shook

PARENT REQUESTS FOR 2017/2018

Parent requests for a particular teacher or student pairing will not be one of the criteria used in setting up next year's classes. Decisions regarding the placement of students need to be school-based professional decisions. Parents, however, can provide the school with important information which can assist in the placement of students. This information should not be a request for a specific teacher or friend, but rather important personal, educational, or social information. If you wish to provide us with information please drop us a note at the office. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER



We encourage you to sign up for our electronic newsletter and help us do our part for the environment. Please follow the instructions below.

Instructions for receiving the Holly Newsletter by email:

- Go to www.surreyschools.ca/holly
- Enter your email address under "Email List"
- Click the box next to "I agree to the terms and conditions"
- Click the "Submit" button

SEPTEMBER & SCHOOL OPENING

We look forward to seeing you in September after you have enjoyed your summer vacation. Information will be posted by the front entrance during the last week of August. You DO NOT need to register your child if he/she attended Holly this year.



The schedule for grades 1-7 will be as follows:

FIRST DAY BACK

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

9:00 - 10:00	-	NEW students will register
10:00 - 11:00	-	ALL students go to classroom (Room # will be posted by grades)
11:00	-	DISMISSAL

SECOND DAY BACK

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:30 - 2:25	-	Go to the same room as yesterday. Teachers will give instructions.
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On Wednesday, students will be placed in temporary grade groupings which will continue until classes are set. We will work as quickly as possible to form classes. This could take a week or longer. We ask for your patience and understanding as we wade through the complex process of placing students. The staff are committed to organizing classes which are balanced in terms of student performance and behavioral characteristics.

KINDERGARTENS

Kindergartens are on a gradual entry program.

Please follow the schedules you were given for Groups A, B, C & D.

HOLLY SCHOOL FEES 2017/2018

Each school year, parents support their child(ren)'s formal learning experiences in a wide variety of ways. We appreciate all that you do to ensure a successful year! The school district requires that we inform parents of upcoming school fees.

Student Planner:

As part of the provincial student learning grant, the student planner has been reduced from \$5 to \$2 for the 2017-18 school year. The remaining funds from this learning grant have been used to provide learning resources to schools. At Holly, we have a generous and hard working parent group (Holly Society) and they will be paying for the balance of the student planners making them FREE!

Field Studies and Field Trips:

The Holly Society also supports students by providing financial support for various events and field studies throughout the school year. District grants also cover many costs of field studies; however, we do sometimes ask parents to contribute to special events. Throughout the school year parents may be requested to pay anywhere from \$2.00 to \$25.00 for various field trips.

Musical Instruments:

Grade 7 band students are given options to purchase, rent or borrow instruments. Holly has a good selection of instruments if rental or purchase costs are too high.

At all times these fees are optional. We, at Holly, are committed to all students taking part in activities and, if at any time, you are asked to fund an event or supplies for your child and the cost is too much, please call us at the office and we will do our best to confidentially help you.

Andrew Shook
Principal, Holly Elementary School

HOLLY'S SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Once again, at Holly Elementary, we are offering a series of summer education programs. Selections have been made by Holly staff according to a criterion given by the school district. Registration forms have already been collected and we are ready to begin when July comes. **If your child is registered, please ensure that he/she attends regularly or his/her spot will be forfeited.**

Students in K to Grade 6: Tue. July 4 – Fri. July 14; 8:30 - 12:56 @ Riverdale Elementary.

Students in Grade 7 Transition to Grade 8: Tue. July 4 – Fri. July 28; 8:30 – 12:42 @ Guildford Park.

WE NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN

URGENT

The end of the school year is fast approaching, so could you please let us know:

- if you are moving over the summer and will not be returning to Holly in September
- if your child will be late returning to school in September so that we can hold your spot
- of any changes in address, phone number, citizenship, etc.

2017-2018 BELL SCHEDULE



8:30	First Bell
8:35	Class Begins
10:10 – 10:25	Recess
11:40 – 12:00	Students Eat Lunch
12:00 – 12:25	Outside Activity Time
12:25	Afternoon Classes Begin
2:25	Students Dismissed

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



June

- 14 Grade 7 Graduation Celebration @ 6pm
- 16 Sports Day
- 20 Aboriginal Day Assembly & Celebration
- 22 Year End Celebration Assembly – Primary (AM), Intermediate (PM)
- 29 Final Formal Report Cards and Last Day of Classes Early Dismissal

September

- 5 School Opens
- 25 Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
- 28 Terry Fox Run

October

- 4 Picture Day
- 9 Thanksgiving Day – School Closed
- 19 Early Dismissal – Student Led Conferences
- 20 Non-Instructional Day – School Closed

November

- 3 Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
- 8 Picture Retakes
- 10 Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
- 13 Remembrance Day (Stat Holiday)

December

- 15 First Formal Report Cards
- 19 Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 22 Last Day Of Classes Before Winter Break
- 25 Winter Break Starts

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

GOODBYES

Inevitably each year brings changes, and this year we have to say some special goodbyes. Goodbye to all our Grade Sevens! We will miss you and we wish you all the best! We shall also be saying goodbye to several students within the school.

To them too, we hope you carry happy memories of your time at Holly and all our very best wishes go with you!

Goodbye and thank you to parents whose child(ren) will be going in to high school.

Thank you and goodbye to the following staff. We wish you the very best next year

- Ms. K. Armstrong
- Ms. S. Begg
- Ms. R. Burton
- Ms. Y. Choi
- Ms. N. Chuang
- Ms. N. Hothi
- Ms. A. Jones
- Ms. K. Kaler
- Ms. B. Kidds
- Ms. N. Lang
- Ms. L. Matheson
- Ms. K. Moore
- Ms. L. Muktar
- Ms. G. Nijjar
- Mr. C. Oskam
- Ms. M. Purss
- Ms. M. Ratzlaff
- Ms. A. Sanghe
- Mr. P. Sawatzky
- Ms. K. Taylor
- Ms. L. Toth
- Ms. P. Walton
- Ms. K. Ward
- Ms. M. Wong

WELCOME!

We wish to welcome the following staff members who have obtained permanent positions at Holly:

- Ms. A. Burr
- Ms. M. Dhaliwal
- Ms. S. Dinsmore
- Ms. B. Kovach
- Ms. J. Loppnow
- Ms. S. Sandhu
- Ms. T. Tremblay
- Ms. S. Yip



GRADE 7 AWARDS

Badminton

Andony B.
Raiza U.

Basketball

Milaan T.
Cayla S.

Volleyball

Peter P.
Rivka T.

Track

Carl D.
Christine A.

Overall Athlete

Nour J.
Fatuma M.

Academic Excellence

Div. 1
Matthew A.
Karl D.

Div. 2
Ayat A.
Akshi V.

Div. 3
Joanna V.
Paul L.

Citizenship

Div. 1
Katrina G.
Daniel G.

Div. 2
Biraima N.
Jana G.

Div. 3
Shadi S.
Annabeth L.

Most Improved

Div. 1
Ira R.
Malek S.

Div. 2
Hunter Y.
Remonda M.

Div. 3
Imeelya S.
Carl D.

Fine Arts

Div. 1
Nakosha N.
Lance C.

Div. 2
Maryrose M.
Jasmine C.

Div. 3
Shari H.
Vinci G.

Student of the Year

Div. 1
Czarina J.

Div. 2
Christine A.

Div. 3
Jinlay A.

Life of the Class

Div. 1
Oscar H.

Div. 2
EH T'Ler H.

Div. 3
Ameir A.



HAVE A FUN & SAFE SUMMER!