

Holly Elementary School

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MR SHOOK'S MESSAGE

It has been an exciting past few weeks. There have been many wonderful fieldtrips, which have extended learning outside of our classrooms. Divisions 1, 2 and 3 had an amazing Camp experience to Kawkawa Lake in Hope and many classes had the opportunity to learn about science at PlayLand. Our track teams brought home a ton of ribbons from the SPED track meet and Riverdale Track Meet. They did a wonderful job competing in the events and were excellent representatives of our school. We look forward to seeing our team compete at the District Meet on June 7. Thank you to our awesome track coaches for providing this opportunity for our track stars.

Once again our dance teams and choir wowed the audience at the Children's Festival and at our Parent Appreciation Tea. Our students also "ROCKED IT" at our Covers and Mash–ups performances. Thank you to Ms. Jones and Ms. Varpaul for teaching our dancers. Thank you also to our dancers for working so hard and representing us so well at the festival.

Sincerely, Andrew Shook

PARENT REQUESTS FOR 2017/2018

Decisions regarding the placement of students in next year's class are complex, involving many factors. Some factors are gender balance, learning styles, previous placements, balance of student academic and behavioral needs, student strengths, etc. Parents 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!

SURREY SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch Program forms must be returned to the school at the very latest by the first day of the coming month.



<u>SPORTS DAY – FRIDAY JUNE 16</u>

Please plan to join us for our annual Sports Day! The whole family is welcome! Rain or Shine!

The following is a <u>rough timeline</u> of the day:

- attendance in class at 8:30
- proceed to starting stations
- rotation through stations
- rotations complete by 11:30
- lunch in classrooms
- outside play at lunch
- students may go to the concession
- students return to class for attendance at 12:25
- egg toss or tug of war or class activity
- ribbons presented in class
- dismissal at 2:23

DRESS CODE



As the warm weather begins it is time for a reminder:

- Tops must cover the midriff area
- Girls may not wear short skirts, short shorts, spaghetti straps, low cut tops or anything revealing
- Boys may not wear tight 'muscle shirts,' undershirts or tank tops
- Undergarments must not be in sight
- Clothing should be free of alcohol or drug references, or any other inappropriate wording

Thanks for honouring Holly's dress code.

LIBRARY NEWS

The end of the school year is close and that means that all library books need to come back to the library. Please look in your homes for any lost or missing books, as your student will be charged for the cost of any missing or damaged books.



WE NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN

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.

HOLLY SCHOOL FEES 2017/2018

The school district requires that we inform parents of upcoming school fees. At Holly, our generous and hard working parent group (Holly Society) supports students in various events and field studies throughout the year. They also pay for all student planners, which cost \$5 each! 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.

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.

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.

2017-2018 BELL SCHEDULE

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



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

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

2017-2018 CALENDAR

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

October

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

November

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

December

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

January

- Winter Break Ends 5
- School Reopens After Winter Break 8

February

- 12 Family Day - School Closed
- 16 Non-Instructional Day - School Closed

March

- 16 Second Formal Report Cards
 - Last Day of Classes Before Spring Break
- 19-23 Spring Break
- 26-29 School Closure Days
- 30 Good Friday - School Closed

April

- Easter Monday School Closed 2
- 3 School Reopens After Spring Break

May

- 1 Art Crawl starts 2
- Art Crawl
- Early Dismissal
- 3 Parent Tea
- 4 Non-Instructional Day - School Closed
- Victoria Day School Closed 21
- 28 Non-Instructional Day - School Closed

June

- Final Formal Report Cards & Last Day of Classes 28 Early Dismissal
- 29 Administrative Day/School Closed

