



# Holly Elementary School

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## Mr. Shook's Message

As the holiday season draws closer, the festive and community spirit of Holly is evident. The students, parents, volunteers and staff have already started to make plans to celebrate the holidays at Holly. The students have worked hard in their studies and we have had many clubs, sports and services for students operating daily at our wonderful school.

On behalf of Holly staff I would like to wish you a safe and happy winter holiday. We hope you enjoy sharing this time with your children and make the most of this festive season. Along with some of the fun activities you may have planned, please remember to encourage your child to practice reading and/or writing daily for a short amount of time. This will help our students continue to build on their growing skills. From all of us at Holly to all of you, we wish you a safe and happy holiday.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Shook, Principal

## Library News

Parents: Please help your child to remember to bring their books back to the library. They can drop them off anytime. If you have library books from another school, just bring them to the library and we can send them back.



**Please return all library books by Friday, Dec 20!**

## 2020 Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registrations for September 2020 will begin on Monday, January 13, 2020 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If your child was born in 2015, you will need to bring:



- 1) Birth Certificate or P.R. Card (of student)
- 2) Immunization Record
- 3) Proof of Address  
\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* 3 pieces of ID, one **must** be Government issued (eg. BC Driver's license)
- 4) Citizenship of Parents

## School Meal Program

- Forms must be signed every month by the parent and returned to the teacher before the first day of every month.
- Please note any food allergies and/or food restrictions (for religious reasons only) on the form.
- Please encourage your children to eat the food that is provided and not to throw it out in the garbage. There is a daily menu included on the back of each form; should your child not like what is on the menu then please provide a lunch from home on that day.
- Due to safety concerns, food is not to be taken home.
- We need your support to ensure that our meal program is continued.



## S.T.A.R.R. Program

### After-school Programs

The S.T.A.R.R. program would like to thank all of the students who participated in the Fall 2019 after-school programs. We had a great time!

Winter 2020 programs will begin in January.

### Registration for S.T.A.R.R. after-school programs is now done through placement only.

Forms will be sent home with students who are chosen to participate. Please watch for Options S.T.A.R.R. packages that come home with your child.

Registration into the programs is only confirmed once the forms have been completed and returned.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding S.T.A.R.R. programming, please feel free to call 604-613-5215. We appreciate your continued support!



## PARENTS as PARTNERS

Enjoy the two-week holiday with your family! Although school does not restart until January 6th, there are two big pieces that will help your child stay healthy and keep learning!

1. Exercise with your child every day. This could mean going for a walk, going to the recreation centre, playing on the playground, swimming, or kicking the soccer ball around. Daily exercise keeps the mind and body healthy and ready for learning!
2. Read every day! Even if it is just for 15-20 minutes, reading will help keep your child's brain active and working on reading skills they are learning at school. With younger children you can read with your child out loud and for older kids it helps if there is a quiet reading environment...maybe you can read at the same time they are!

## Holly Society News

### Popcorn Sales

Our PAC continues to raise money for the school to bring in things that enhance our children's education such as field trips, physical education enhancement, technology upgrades, and so on.



Popcorn sales every **Wednesday** after school at the outside gym doors by the playground

### Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 14  
6:00 pm – Library @ Holly  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

## 2019-2020 CALENDAR

DEC	
20	LAST DAY OF CLASSES BEFORE WINTER BREAK
<b>WINTER BREAK: DECEMBER 23, 2019 - JANUARY 3, 2020</b>	
JAN	
6	SCHOOL RE-OPENS AFTER WINTER BREAK
FEB	
11	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:22 PM
17	FAMILY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
21	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
MAR	
13	SECOND FORMAL REPORT CARDS (CSL) LAST DAY OF CLASSES BEFORE SPRING BREAK
<b>SPRING BREAK: MARCH 16 – MARCH 27</b>	
30	SCHOOL RE-OPENS AFTER SPRING BREAK
APR	
10	GOOD FRIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
13	EASTER MONDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
29	ART CRAWL EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:22 PM
30	PARENT TEA
MAY	
1	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
5	CLASS GROUP & GRAD PHOTOS
18	VICTORIA DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
25	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
JUNE	
12	SPORTS DAY
17	GRADE 7 GRADUATION CELEBRATION
25	FINAL FORMAL REPORT CARDS LAST DAY OF CLASSES EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:22 PM



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**