

WILLIAM WATSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians of William Watson Elementary Students

I sincerely hope that you have had a wonderful Summer Break filled with lots of new experiences, books and memories. We are looking forward to seeing everyone back at school on September 7th from 10am to 11am.

There have been some questions regarding safety protocols upon our return to school, and school supplies:

I am hoping to have more information soon and I will share with parents the safety protocols as soon as I learn what September will look like. The Surrey School District is committed to the safety of your children and the staff.

Some parents are also asking about purchasing school supplies. In June the staff had some conversations about being more environmentally responsible and to be more financially aware for parents. In the past grade groups would get together and create lists for each grade for parents to purchase. What we noticed is that teachers organize their classes differently based on the students that they have in their classes and their own unique styles of teaching and learning. Thus, inevitably some school supplies would not end up getting used in a particular classroom, while other supplies would not be used in the other classrooms. What we noticed is that there are basic supplies that all classes use and these have been uploaded onto our website. Once the staff have created class lists and students are placed into classrooms then we will send home a school supplies list for that specific class. In the meantime, the students will only need a pencil box with pencils, white erasers, crayons, or pencil crayons, scissors, glue stick, and a 30cm ruler. We encourage students to re-use their supplies from last year. They will also need a backpack and a lunch box. We also encourage all students to bring a reusable water bottle that they can fill at school.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone's smiling faces at William Watson Elementary again soon! In the meantime, we are hoping that everyone continues to enjoy their Summer Break.

Best Regards,

Anne Smith, Principal