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# Kennedy Trail Elementary School

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## Principal's Message

Wow, Time flies when you are having fun. It is hard to believe that our first term of school has already finished. Report cards are going home on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

It is a fun and busy time of year. We will be hosting many seasonal events. Please check our website for details. Highlights include a grade 7 band concert, Goldilocks and the Christmas Elves Play, Christmas sing-a-long, and Breakfast with Santa.



## Thank You PAC

Thank you so much to our wonderful PAC for providing so many fun December events. We have two treat days, Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus and hot lunch. Remember all parents are part of the PAC and welcome to attend meetings. Please come to have your say on how we spend your money.

**December 22 is the last day before the break. Wear your Pajamas!!!**

**School reopens January 8, 2018**

**Important Dates:** Please check the website for frequent updates

December 15	December 15	December 19
PAC breakfast with Santa	Report Cards Sing-a-long 1:00 p.m.	Grade 7 Band Concert 9:00 a.m.
December 19	December 20	December 21
Early Dismissal 1:25 p.m.P/T Conferences	PAC Treat Day	Christmas Play 1:00 p.m. PAC Hot Lunch

## This and That

### Report Cards, Early Dismissal and Parent Teacher Conferences

Report Cards will be coming home with all students on Friday. Please make sure that you call the school to schedule an appointment to meet with the teacher. Parents are partners in education. We will have early dismissal on Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> (1:25) to accommodate appointments.

### Mitten Weather

Please ensure your child comes to school dressed for the weather. All students will be going outside in cold and rainy weather. We will have an inside day only if the weather is very, very poor.



### PALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters)

Once again Kennedy Trail will be hosting PALS Sessions in the New Year. Dates and details can be found at the back of this newsletter. Please share this information with your neighbours.

### Food Bank

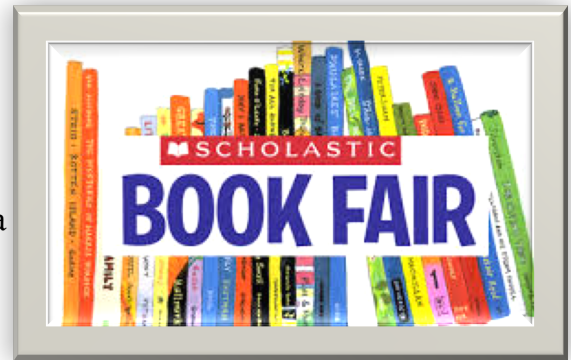
We are collecting items again this season for the Surrey Food Bank. This is a friendly competition to help families in need. The division that brings in the most items will be treated to a pizza lunch in the new year. Keep them coming!! We are collecting items until December 22<sup>nd</sup>. As of today, Division 5 is in the lead.



## What's Happening

### Book Fair Update

Thank-you to everyone who came out to support the Scholastic Book Fair. The book fair was a huge success and we were able to add almost 100 new books to our library as a result of the money raised. A special thank-you to Mrs. Crawford for coming back to be a cashier one day as well as Ms. Ursu and Mr. & Mrs. Hardman (Senior) for helping be cashiers. The next book fair will be in April. Parent volunteers are always welcome and appreciated.



### Volleyball and Basketball

Congratulations to our Boys and Girls Volleyball teams. They had an excellent season. Both teams placed second overall for our area.

Basketball season starts in January. Thank you to Mr. Grant, Mr. So, Ms. Al Ghaban and Mr. Pascual for coaching.

### Kindergarten Registration

Children who turn five-years-old before January 1, 2019 are eligible to begin school in September 2018. Kindergarten registration begins on Monday, Jan. 15, 2018. To register stop by the school to fill out a form or you can download it from our website. In order to register please bring:

1. Proof of birth date for the student (birth certificate or passport).
2. Proof of guardianship (as shown on child's birth certificate, or other appropriate legal documentation such as landed immigrant document or guardianship order).
3. Proof of citizenship for both the parent and student (Canadian birth certificate, citizenship card, passport, landed immigrant document, permanent resident card, enhanced driver's license or enhanced identification card).
4. Proof of residence (e.g., ordinarily resident) of parent/guardian in BC:
  - a. BC driver's license, BC Services Card, BCID or BC Care Card of parent/legal guardian; or
  - b. A combination of other supporting documentation such as ownership/long-term lease of dwelling, vehicle registration, employment within community, Canadian income tax record, etc.
5. Proof of living address (purchase or rental agreement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.)

Here is the link to download the form:

<https://www.surreyschools.ca/K-12Schools/StudentRegistration/Pages/default.aspx>





# November

## Kodiak Cool Kids

Ashleen Div.2	Jiwanjot Div. 2	Taran Div. 4	Suhana Div. 5
Aman S Div. 6	Justin Div. 7	Amreet Div. 8	Riza Div. 9
Skylar Div. 13	Gurkaran Div. 4	Sukhman Div. 5	Jacob Div. 6
Ethan Div.10	Himmat Div. 12	Eliza L. Div. 13	Annayah Div. 1
Arjun Div. 2	Joshua Div. 3	Gurmukh Div. 5	Viana Div. 9
Jessica Div. 10	Abigail Div. 12	Bhavan Div. 1	Arjun Div. 2
Joshua Div. 3	Victor Div. 4	Samantha Div. 5	Buse Div. 6
Yahya Div. 7	Ishrat Div. 8	Gurleen Div. 9	Harjot Div.10
Abigail Div. 12	Gurleen Div. 13	Renil Div. 1	Isher Div. 2
Aveen Div. 3	Gurdas Div. 4	Zahra Div. 5	Jovita Div. 6
Taru Div. 7	Maneesh Div. 8	Nimrita Div. 9	Avneet Div. 10
Skylar Div. 11	Ragavi Div. 12	Kaajal Div. 13	

**Times, Dates & Sessions:****12:30 pm to 2:00 pm****Tuesdays****Session #1 - January 18, 2018**

- **ABC's & Learning**

**Session #2 – February 8, 2018**

- **Print in our Community**

**Session #3 – March 8, 2018**

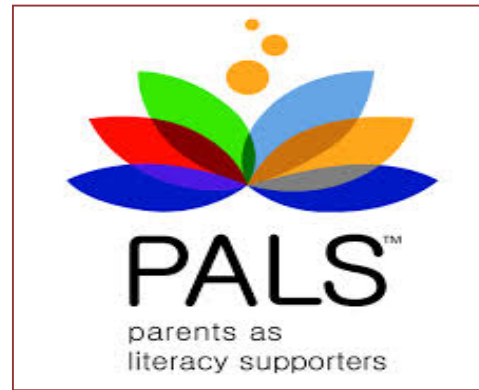
- **Literacy & Play**

**Session #4 – April 12, 2018**

- **Learning to Read**

**Session #5 – May 10, 2018**

- **Early Math**



## About PALS

PALS is free! Kennedy Trail Elementary will be providing 5 PALS sessions this year. PALS is a literacy program for parents and their children ages 3 or 4. PALS is intended to bridge the home and the school in order for your child to be better prepared for Kindergarten. Each PALS session focuses on early literacy and early numeracy skills through games, activities, and songs. Each family will receive literacy gifts (as well as ideas and strategies) to take home in order to support your child with early literacy development. Altogether, PALS is designed to have parents participate throughout each of the 5 sessions. Each session is one and a half hour.

## Registration

Please pre-register by calling the school office at 604-590-1198. You will be asked to provide your child's name and age, and a telephone number where you can be reached. Space is limited, so please register soon. We look forward to seeing you!

PALS Facilitators

Ms. Gomes and Mrs. Gandhi

PALS:

A Surrey School District Literacy Initiative



# Kennedy Trail PAC News

Next Meeting

Monday,  
January 15th,  
@ 8:40 a.m.

Thank-You!

Thank you to Cineplex Strawberry Hill Cinemas for supporting our Movie Night with their donation of popcorn. Thank you for also to IHOP for supporting our Santa Breakfast by providing the PAC with pancakes and sausages at cost.

## Meeting Topics

- Propose and approve this year's budget
- Discuss future fundraisers and hot lunch
- Principal's report

## Upcoming Events

- Santa Breakfast-Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>-Volunteers needed (serving, cutting fruit, helping cut kid's food, photographer)
- Christmas Treat Day \$1- Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>
- Hot Lunch-Little Caesar's Pizza- Thursday, December 21st

