



MARY JANE SHANNON ELEMENTARY

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Principal: Ms. Juanita
Vice Principal: Mr. Tom Lewis

December 18, 2020

Dear MJS Families,

It is with heartfelt words that I write this newsletter to inform you that as of January 1, 2021 I will be leaving the position of principal of Mary Jane Shannon Elementary School. In the New Year, I will be starting in a new position as Principal of Aboriginal Learning in Surrey Schools. Although I will miss my work with our school family, I look forward to the challenges this new position has to offer.

I am very sad to say good-bye to the many people I have had the privilege of meeting and working with over the past 2 1/2 years. During my time here, I worked very closely with our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and am amazed at the selflessness of our volunteers. They truly do many extras to provide improved opportunities for all of our students at school. I will dearly miss the MJS staff; they always put students first, the students who are hard-working, capable learners, and the parents that are supportive, friendly, and caring. I feel very fortunate to have been part of the MJS community and I will always cherish the time spent at this school learning with all of you!

The new Principal will be Ms. Linda Chau. She is moving from Ray Shephard Elementary School where she has been a Principal for the past 3-1/2 years. She is a very experienced elementary leader, and will be a welcome addition to MJS. She has vast experiences and is a skilled teacher and principal. I know that you will make her feel welcome at this outstanding school! She is looking forward to working with all of you and getting to know each of you.

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you, your children and this outstanding school community and hope you know I am especially proud of our students. I look forward to watching the success and growth of MJS as it moves forward. It has been my privilege to be the leader of such a vibrant, high quality and hard-working community.

Juanita Coltman
Principal

It has been such an honour to be the Vice Principal at Mary Jane Shannon. I have been very fortunate to work with such an amazing, dedicated team of professionals. I will miss working with and learning from all of the students. They never cease to amaze me with their caring and their love for learning. Mary Jane Shannon is truly a special place, and I am so happy to have had the opportunity to be a part of it. Mr. Ed Carter our grade 6/7 will be taking on the position of acting Vice-Principal

Mr. Tom Lewis
Vice Principal

Lunch program envelopes for January 2021 are due! Please send yours in January if you have not done so yet. Pack a lunch for January 4th and your lunch will start on January 5. It is important that we receive these notices back early so that lunches may be ordered for child. Thank you!

Also please remember to return your parent feedback form and the brown report card envelope to school as we will reuse them for the second term.

Kindergarten registration will begin on January 11 2021 for children who are born in the year **2016**. Due to COVID please see the Kindergarten form below for the registration process. Please call the school if you have any questions.

FROM ALL OF US AT MARY JANE SHANNON WE WISH YOU A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021. STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY!!

WINTER
BREAK



Monday,
December 21st
to
Friday,
January 1st



Schools Re-open
Monday,
January 4th



It is time to register for

KINDERGARTEN

Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2022 are eligible to begin school in September 2021

Registration begins in
Surrey schools
Monday, January 11, 2021

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

(for school catchment areas, please view <https://www.surreyschools.ca/K-12Schools/LocateSchool/Pages/default.aspx> or 604-595-6308)

THE SURREY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS NOW USING A WEB-BASED ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM

Once submitted, the form and any supporting documents will be available to school staff and the Principal who will use their judgement to determine if documentation requirements have been satisfied.

The following documents are required to complete the registration process and may be uploaded to the registration portal or presented in-person at the catchment school or school-of-choice:

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. Three pieces of identification showing the address of residence (purchase or rental agreement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.)
 - b. One of the three pieces above must be government issued in order to complete the registration process (BC driver's license, BC Services Card, BCID or BC Care Card of parent/legal guardian).

Documents which are helpful, but not required:

- Health Documents (Care card, immunization records, medical condition information)

FOUR PROGRAMS OF CHOICE (LISTED BELOW) ARE AVAILABLE FOR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS.

Application to these programs is made through the online lottery system starting Monday, January 25, 2021
www.surreyschools.ca/programsandservices/choice/online-application

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THEIR LOCAL CATCHMENT SCHOOL BEFORE APPLYING FOR THE KINDERGARTEN CHOICE LOTTERY

FRENCH IMMERSION

Laronde
1880 Laronde Drive
604-536-1626

Martha Currie
5811 - 184 Street
604-576-8551

Peace Arch
15877 Roper Avenue
604-536-8711

Riverdale
14835 - 108A Avenue
604-588-5978

Simon Cunningham
9380 - 140 Street
604-588-4435

Woodward Hill
6082 - 142 Street
604-594-2408

INTENSIVE ARTS EDUCATION

David Brankin
9160 - 128 Street
604-585-9547

White Rock
1273 Fir Street
604-531-5731

MONTESSORI

Douglas
17325 2 Avenue
604-535-0180

Latimer Road
19233 - 60 Avenue
604-576-9184

Mountainview
15225 - 98 Avenue
604-589-1193

TRADITIONAL

Cloverdale
17857 - 56 Avenue
604-576-8295

McLeod Road
6325 - 142 Street
604-595-1060

Surrey
13875 - 113 Avenue
604-588-1248

For more information, contact a school or visit www.surreyschools.ca