

Forsyth Focus #10 Spring Break

The mission of our school is to provide a safe and respectful environment that fosters the development of a community of lifelong learners.

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At Forsyth Road, we aim to create an inclusive school community that is socially, emotionally, and culturally sensitive so that everyone feels safe, valued, and empowered to reach their full potential.



Health Order Update

We hope that everyone has had a restful and enjoyable Spring Break. As we return to school tomorrow, we would like to inform our community of the new Health Order which requires students in **grades 4-7** to wear masks at school. It is also **strongly recommended and encouraged** that students in grades K-3 wear masks as well. Please read through the following linkfor more details on this new Health Order:

https://www.surreyschools.ca/NewsEvents/Posts/Lists/Posts/Post.aspx?ID=1016

We recognize that there will be students that find this challenging for a variety of reasons and there are exceptions that include:

- If an individual is unable to wear a face covering because of a psychological, behavioural or health condition; or a physical, cognitive, or intellectual impairment.
- If an individual is unable to put on or remove a face covering without the assistance of another person
- While communicating with a person who has a hearing impairment.
- When an individual is actively eating or drinking at their desk/table.

If you believe that you child will have difficulty wearing a mask for one of the above reasons, please contact Mrs. Forbes so that we can work together.

In addition to the new Health Order requiring masks, we are going to be closing our school playgrounds, fields and basketball courts after school. Forsyth Families, we ask that you vacate the school grounds immediately after the dismissal bell. We know that this is an enjoyable time to meet and play; however, it does result in the mixing of individuals. We look forward to a time that we can all safely resume regular in-school and out of school activities.

We are excited to see everyone tomorrow!

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Forbes & the Forsyth Road Staff

Daily At-Home COVID Self Assessment and Health Check



Canada in the last 14 days? Are you a coeffered contact of confirmed to have COVID-197

A friendly yet important reminder:

Parents and caregivers must assess their child daily for symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory diseases before sending them to school. If a child has any symptoms, they must not go to school.

Daily screenings start at home. Parents are asked to answer these questions prior to sending their child to school:

- Does your child have the symptoms of a common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory diseases?
- Has your child been outside Canada in the last 14 days?
- Has your child been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case or outbreak?

If the answer is **yes** to any of these questions, you must keep your child at home, self-isolate, and seek care from a health-care provider.

Please see the checklist from the BC Centre for Disease Control. If you answered "YES" to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies) your child should **NOT** come to school.

If they are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.

If your child becomes ill while at school:

As per guidance from health authorities, any child exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be moved to a secluded space, such as a first-aid room, where they will be supervised and supported by staff until they are picked up by a parent/guardian. The student and staff will both wear masks while waiting for the parent/guardian.

Parents/guardians will be notified and advised to pick-up their child as soon as possible. Please ensure that the school has current contact information, including emergency contact information, to ensure timely pick-up. Also, please ensure that you are always accessible by phone during the school day if your child is attending school, and, be prepared to pick-up your child (ren).

To help maintain a healthy learning environment: staff, families, and students are asked to practice good hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette (i.e. coughing and sneezing into your sleeve). Please review this with your child on a regular basis.

Anyone experiencing symptoms of illness should not return to school until they have been assessed by a health-care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases, their symptoms have resolved or they have been cleared by their physician.

Thank you for doing your part to keep our school community safe.

Mark Your Calendar



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March

Mar. 29 School Re-Opens

April

Apr. 2 Good Friday (No School)

Apr. 5 Easter Monday (No School)

Contact Us

Feel free to contact the school at any time.

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