



Forsyth Focus #9 March

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.



School Updates

March is here and the weather has slowly been getting warmer and the days are getting longer. Spring Break is right around the corner! Even though the break comes with many social restrictions and public

health orders, we encourage you to get outside and enjoy our beautiful city as much as possible. Even with social distancing and masks, there are many beautiful outdoor areas to explore in our own neighborhood.

As we look to our final weeks of school, please remember to continue checking your child each morning for COVID symptoms and don't forget to practice safe behaviour like wearing a mask when dropping off your child and maintaining social distance outside of classrooms at drop off and pick up times.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Forbes & the Forsyth Road Staff

Pink Shirt Day





The History of Pink Shirt Day

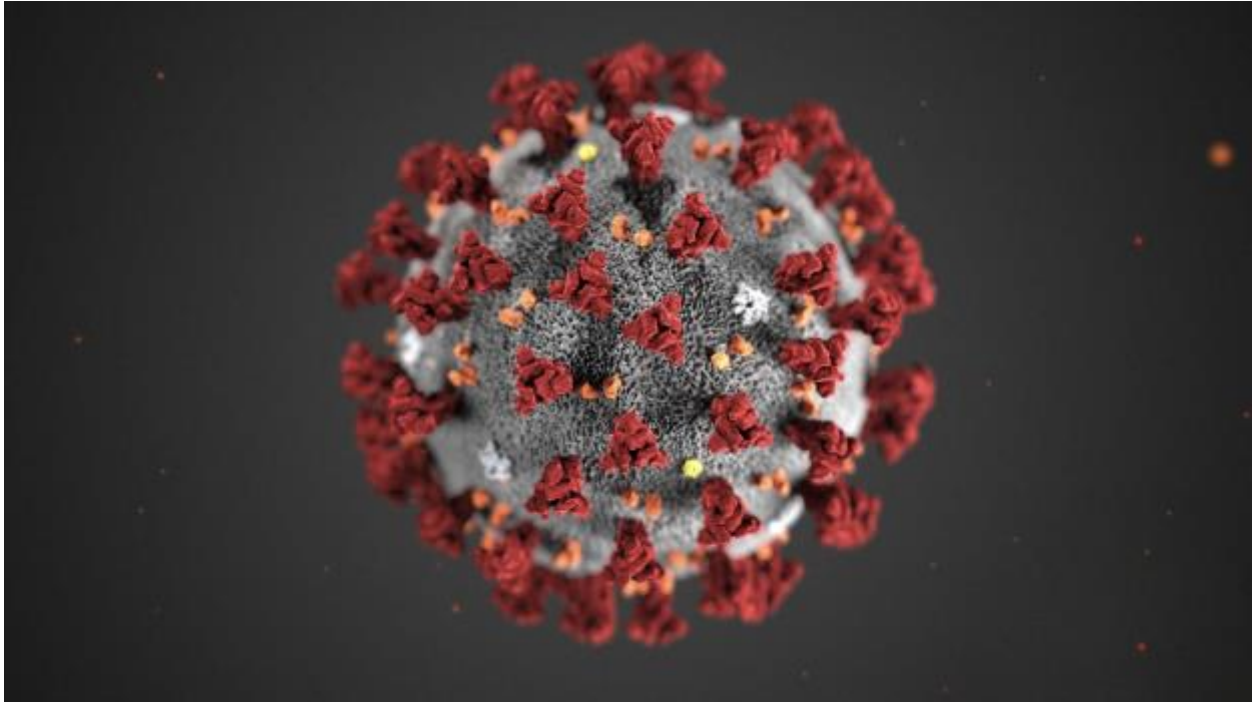
Pink Shirt Day started in 2007 when two students in Nova Scotia organized a day where their classmates would wear pink shirts to their high school in solidarity with a student who had been bullied for his clothes. For more information about Pink Shirt Day click [here](#).

Pink Shirt Day at Forsyth Road

At Forsyth Road, it was great to see so many of our students wearing pink last Wednesday. All of our classes celebrated Kindness in many different ways, shapes and forms.



Surrey School District COVID-19 Updates



The Surrey School District website maintains a COVID-19 Information page which contains regular video messages and updates from Surrey's Health and Safety Department and the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Jordan Tinney. Please click [here](#) to find this important information.

Daily At-Home COVID Self Assessment and Health Check



Key Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following key symptoms?	Circle one	
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
Confirmed Contact	Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

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.

Please see attached, Fraser Health’s Covid-19 webpage: [Back to school resources for parents and teachers](#).

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

Mark Your Calendar



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March

- Mar. 10 School Spirit Day: Twin Day
- Mar. 12 Last Day of School before Spring Break
- 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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