

## Ray Shepherd

## Elementary School

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

You may have seen news media coverage recently regarding a public notice from the Ministry of Justice that a high-risk offender named John Conway was planning to live in Surrey. You will be able to see photos and other information about this man by visiting the websites of the Surrey Now or Surrey Leader, as well many other news media websites, or you can obtain a copy from our school.

Our school district believes it is prudent to take some precautions under these circumstances. Besides ensuring our school staffs, supervisors and safe school liaisons have the appropriate information, the district also wants to ensure parents are aware. The man is not allowed to be near anyone under 18-years-old, nor in any park, playground, school or other facility where children may gather. If you see the man at these places, you should phone police.

You may want to review the information with your child and remind him/her of these safety tips:

- Don't take short cuts. Use main routes; avoid lanes, forested or secluded areas.
- Walk with friends.
- Tell someone where you are going and when you will be back.
- Phone home when leaving a friend's house and say when you will be home.
- Don't assist strangers.
- Trust your instincts and your feelings.
- Phone if you are going to be delayed, or if your plans change.

Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ms. J. Howard Principal