

February 2019

Hjorth Road Elementary

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Communicating Student Learning

Our Term 2 Communicating Student Learning Reports will be coming home on Friday, March 8th. Many of Hjorth's teachers are using FreshGrade, an online digital portfolio. A letter outlining your child's learning this term will be sent home along with an invitation to connect to your child's FreshGrade portfolio.

If you have any questions about your child's learning this term, please be sure to meet with your child's teacher during conferences.

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

Conferences will run March 12th – 14th. If they have not already, your child's teacher will be sending home a notice shortly to confirm which date they are available. Please connect with them directly to book an appointment.

Student-Led Conferences

Unfortunately, due to snowy weather in February, we had to postpone student-led conferences. Divisions 1 and 2 have rescheduled to the week of the Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences above, divisions 3 – 14 have re-scheduled for Thursday, April 25th.

Spring Break

The school will be closed for Spring Break from Monday, March 18th and will re-open on Monday, April 1st. Enjoy this break with your families and we look forward to seeing you in April!

Science Fair

Thank you to all students, parents, and staff for your participation and help during this year's Science Fair. It was a huge success!



Upcoming Events

March 5

Student Recognition
Assembly

- Primary @ 9:00 AM
- Intermediate @ 9:30 AM

March 8

Communicating Student
Learning – Report Cards
Go Home

March 12 - 14

Parent/Teacher/Student
Conferences – By
Appointment Only

March 15

Spirit Day – Wear green!

March 16

First Day of Spring Break!

April 1

School Re-Opens





February 21, 2019

Dear Students, School Staff, and Parents,

As you have heard, there is a measles outbreak at three schools in Vancouver. Please note that this is a localized outbreak and that students who are attending schools not connected to the outbreak have not been exposed. **There is no evidence of measles transmission into the wider Vancouver or Fraser Health community.**

Measles is a highly contagious disease that spreads through the air. It starts with fever, cough, runny nose, and red, watery eyes. These symptoms develop between 7 to 21 days after a person is exposed. A characteristic rash then develops, beginning on the face and spreading down the body.

Most people in Canada are protected against infection through immunization with the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. Children receive MMR at 12 months of age followed by a second dose starting at 4 years of age. **Two doses of MMR vaccine is 99% effective at preventing measles.**

The first dose of measles vaccine is provided at 12 months of age. Early doses of vaccine prior to 12 months of age are not recommended.

While there is no community outbreak, there has been increased demand for immunizations and Fraser Health has added extra immunization clinics to accommodate this increased demand.

To protect you and your family from measles, Fraser Health is recommending the following:

- If you were born on or after January 1st, 1970 and have not had two doses of measles vaccine, we recommend that you get a dose of MMR vaccine.
- If you were born on or after January 1st, 1970 and are unsure of your immunization history and/or if you are unsure if you've had measles infection, we recommend that you get a dose of MMR vaccine.
- If you were born before 1970 or have had measles infection in the past, you are considered protected.
- Children between one and four years of age are considered up to date for age with one dose of measles containing vaccine. A measles booster dose is due starting at age four.

It is never too late to get vaccinated. MMR vaccine is available through your family physician, some pharmacists (for those aged 5 and over), urgent primary care centres, and local public health units. The best way to protect you and your family against measles is to receive the MMR vaccine. For further information on measles please contact 8-1-1.

For information on mature minor consent in BC refer to BC HealthFile #119 available at: www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/infants-act-mature-minor-consent-and-immunization

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Join Surrey Schools, the City of Surrey
and community partners for...

Ready, Set, Learn, Thrive!

A Guildford West Early Learning Community Event
for 3-5 year olds and their parents/caregivers



April 18, 2019

9:30-11:00am

Guildford Rec Centre

15105 105 Avenue, Surrey

Staff from Forsyth, Hjorth, Holly, Mary Jane Shannon, Riverdale Elementary schools and community organizations provide:

- Play-based learning activities;
- Tips to support your child's learning and development;
- Information about community resources and early learning programs offered;
- FREE gifts



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