



# Cindrich Elementary

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Where has January gone? The weather has been unusually warm for this time of the year. We would like to encourage students to continue to dress appropriately for temperatures that could easily dip down to 3C.

Our newsletter's focus is regarding Safety. It has come to our attention that a number of students are going to the parking lot and/or meeting a family member in a car on the street at the back of the school to pick up lunches at recess. The students **cannot** be meeting family members in the parking lot or going to a car at recess to get their lunches. **It is a very unsafe practice.** We ask that if a child does not have their lunch and you are delivering it to school that it has to be delivered to the office. We have some families that are going to the classroom to deliver lunches, that cannot continue as it is a safety concern that adults are going down our hallways to classrooms without appointments or signing in at the office. There has been a steady increase in the use of our back entrance. The back entrance is for wheelchairs, strollers, and deliveries, otherwise the front door needs to be used. The back door has a buzzer system to get in for safety reasons as we cannot see who is entering the school so it remains locked to prevent intruders. There are times that both the secretaries are on the phone and the buzzer is ringing. They cannot get up immediately from their desk to push the button to open the door. Recently they have had to get up from their work at least forty times a day to let individuals into the school that should have used the front door. Thank you for your consideration with regards to this matter.

We are asking help from our community to keep an eye on our school and schoolyard. There has been an ATV and motorcycle riding around the school fields. The damage to the grounds affects the play areas for our students and user groups.

Mr. Issel and I are planning a Media Safety parent information meeting in April. The purpose of the meeting is to share safety issues around the use of Social Media. Divisions 1, 2 and 3 will have a presentation next week in class. It has come to our attention that a number of students are sending very inappropriate messages to classmates.

*Please check our school webpage for information!*

**Please register online to receive the Newsletter. It will be emailed to you. The site address is:**  
**<https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/cindrich/Pages/default.aspx>**

## ***Celebrations***

Our Spirit Team organized Twin Day yesterday. We had a lot of creative twins and great participation! Thank you for supporting the event. Our WE Team has met a number of times to plan our Kindness Month for February. A calendar is going home filled with daily activities.

### **PAC NEWS**

Our Parent Advisory Committee's support is valued. It is through our PAC and their fundraisers that we have had opportunities to provide fieldtrips for our students, classroom incentives, fine arts, technology purchases, library books and special events. The PAC is also working on expanding our current playground. There is district protocol to follow, as well the cost is high. We require approximately \$50,000 to complete the project. The PAC is in the process to contact organizations and businesses to help us reach that goal.

Dates to note:

### ***February is Kindness Month***

February 2	Groundhog Day
February 3	Social Media Safety Presentation for Div's. 1, 2, 3 and April 8 for parents
February 9	Family Day - No school
February 19	Chinese New Year
February 20	Pro-D Day - Students not in session
February 25	Wear Pink Day Anti-Bullying Day - Province Wide event
Feb. 26 and 27	Class and Team Photo Days
March 3	Speechfest 9:00
March 3	Reports go home
March 4	Groove Day in the gym (classes will be grouped for this activity)
March 6	Last day of school before Spring Break
	March 7 to March 22 - SPRING BREAK
March 23	Welcome back to school!

Lost and Found Table in the foyer will be closed on February 3. Please come and check for missing clothing, shoes, boots or water bottles.