

Hjorth Road Elementary School

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Dear Hjorth Road Families,

Welcome to 2022! We trust you all enjoyed a restful and relaxing holiday and made some lasting family memories. It was wonderful welcoming your children back to school this week and we are all so looking forward to an exciting term together!

COVID Reminders

A reminder to our families to review the **Daily Health Check** with your child each morning before you send them to school. If your child is experiencing any of the following symptoms please keep them home and use the self-assessment tool to see if they should be tested. If they have no symptoms of COVID-19 they do not need a test.

Fever or chills Cough Loss of appetite Sore throa Body aches Diarrhea	Loss of sense of smell or taste Extreme fatigue or tiredness Nausea or vomiting	Difficulty breathing Headache
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Additional COVID-19 information from Fraser Health and BCCDC highlights:

• If you or your child has tested positive for COVID follow the BCCDC link to complete an online form to report results, self-isolate and manage symptoms, and inform close contacts.

If you or your child has tested positive self-isolation ends when the following three conditions are met:

- 1. <u>If fully vaccinated</u>, self-isolation ends at least 5 days after symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
 - If not fully vaccinated, self-isolation ends at least 10 days after symptoms started or tested positive.
- 2. No fever.
- 3. Symptoms have improved.

People who have been in contact with you 2 days prior to your positive test are considered close contacts.

Close contacts need to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days <u>if they are vaccinated</u>. They are not required to self-isolate. Students and family members who are <u>not fully immunized</u> must self-isolate for 10 days from the last day of contact with the person who tested positive.

School Updates

As we move into the new year with a continuation of our COVID restrictions, we offer the following reminders and updates to families:

- In order to support physical distancing at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up we have implemented new line-up routines for our students. Divisions 7-11, 13 and 14 will line up at the undercover area and we ask all parents to remain distanced at the grassy area.
- A reminder that all students must wear masks at school. Please ensure that your child has a mask with them each morning prior to entering the school building.

Kindergarten Registration

It's time to register for Kindergarten! Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2023 are eligible to begin school in September 2022. Registration begins in all Surrey Schools on Monday, January 10, 2022. If you are within our school catchment boundaries and would like to register your child for Hjorth Road Elementary please register at the office with the following documentation:

- Proof of birth date for the student (birth certificate or passport)
- Proof of guardianship (as shown on child's birth certificate or legal documentation
- Proof of citizenship for the parent and student
- Proof of residence 3 pieces of ID are required, one of which must be government issued

West Coast Weather

At Hjorth Road we recognize that outdoor play is vitally important to the success of our students throughout the day. As we live on the west coast we believe our students should be prepared for all types of weather. Unless we are experiencing extreme weather conditions we will be sending our students outside on rainy and cold days. Please remember to send your child to school with a jacket, boots, gloves and umbrella, if they wish. Additionally, if y



school with a jacket, boots, gloves and umbrella, if they wish. Additionally, if your child is prone to getting dirty, please remember to pack an extra set of clothes (socks too) for them to change into should they get wet and muddy outside.

School Website

Please check out our website for information and updates at www.surreyschools.ca/schools/hjorthroad/.

IMPORTANT JANUARY DATES

Mon. Jan. 10th Welcome back to school for our students

Kindergarten registration begins

Tues. Jan. 11th Fire Drill #4

Fri. Jan. 14th Early Dismissal for Program Planning, 1:30pm

Mon. Jan. 17th Earthquake Drill #2

Thurs. Jan. 27th Spirit Day

Warmest regards,
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