

Maple Green Elementary Community Newsletter #11

May 2025

Important Dates

Friday, May 16	Grade 7 Camp
Monday, May 19	Victoria Day Stat Holiday - <u>No School</u>
Monday, May 26	Professional Day - <u>No School</u>
Wednesday, May 28	Class Placement Requests Due
Thursday, May 29	Track Meet in South Surrey
Friday, May 23	Hot Lunch - Pizza
Friday, June 6	Community Carnival Fun Night at Maple Green 4-8 pm
Wednesday, June 18	Grade 7 Ceremony
Tuesday, June 24	Sports Day
Thursday, June 26	Last Day of School Early Dismissal 1:28 pm

We Have a New Mascot!

Thank you to everyone who cast their ballot to determine the new mascot for Maple Green. We are pleased to announce that we will become the **Maple Green Grizzlies**! We are still planning to have our new mural of student work combining the transition from the gator to the grizzly installed before the end of the school year. In the fall, we will also unveil our new logo to go with it.

*****Kindergarten registration for Sept. 2025 is now due!*****



Welcome to Kindergarten in September

Is your child starting Kindergarten in September? Then you will need to register now if you haven't done it yet. Use the link below to register.

[Register for Kindergarten](#)

Parent Class Placement Requests

Before the end of May, Maple Green staff will begin our process of placing students into tentative classes for next school year. Each year we strive to create classes which best support student learning and are carefully balanced in terms of our shared criteria.



Classes will be created using a **Universal Design for Learning** model which considers students' needs for universal, targeted and intensive learning supports. Tentative classes will be initially formed using this model, our shared criteria, and without attaching teacher names to classes.

Students are placed using criteria such as:

- Social/Emotional development
- Friendships / supportive peers / compatibility
- Strengths, needs and exceptionalities
- Known student history e.g. previous placements and grade combinations
- Study / work habits
- B.C. teacher class size and composition requirements

Maple Green staff work with their professional knowledge of students to carefully consider class placements. Parents may talk further with teachers about placement considerations according to the above listed criteria. Requests for specific teachers are not appropriate, nor considered.

There may be a few families who have specific and confidential information to share directly with Ms. Pilchak, related to the above criteria. Formal letters will be received via email to pilchak_j@surreyschools.ca before Wednesday, May 28.

Student placements are school-based decisions and ultimately the responsibility of the school principal. Please don't hesitate to reach out to our staff or the office if you have questions about our student placement process. Thank you for your support as we work to create a positive learning environment for all of our students!

Community Carnival Fun Night

Our Maple Green Carnival will be on Friday, June 6 from 4-8 pm and many adults are needed to help with a wide variety of jobs to ensure a successful event. Please reach out to maplegreenpac@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer some time. It is appreciated!!



Student Absences



If your child is going to be away from school or late to school, please call (604-594-8838) and leave a message or email the office at maplegreen@surreyschools.ca and include the following information:

- First and Last Name
- Teacher
- Division
- Reason for Absence

May Heritage Months



Since the 17th century, people of Asian descent continue to make important contributions and enrich all aspects of Canadian history.

Asian Heritage Month was established in 2002.

Many immigrants have journeyed to Canada from East Asia, Southern Asia, Western, Central and Southeast Asia, bringing our society a rich cultural heritage representing many languages, ethnicities and religious traditions.

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The history of Jewish Canadians dates back to the 17th century, with the oldest Canadian synagogue being built in 1768 in Montreal.

Canadian Jewish Heritage Month was established in 2018.

Jewish Canadians have made important contributions to Canada's social, economic, political and cultural fabric.

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