



# Kirkbride Elementary School

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**May 10, 2020**

*Mission Statement: The staff of Kirkbride Elementary School is committed to fostering positive, supportive relationships between students, parents and school personnel.*

## **Dates to Remember:**

May 10 – 14 – Jump Rope for Heart Week  
May 10 – 14 – Kernels Popcorn on sale  
May 14 – Early Dismissal – Students dismissed at 1:40 pm  
May 24 – Victoria Day – No School  
May 25 – Spirit Week – Backwards Day  
May 26 – Hat Day  
May 27 – Rainbow Day  
May 28 – Jersey Day  
May 31 – Pro-D Day – No School

## **Principal's Message**

With only 6 weeks of school remaining, we wonder where the time has gone. I know these last few weeks will be busy as teachers finish off units / themes, assess and collect marks, and write report cards. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming busy weeks as we gain speed towards the last days of the 2020 – 2021 school year. As there continues to be a great deal of uncertainty, I ask that you check your email, visit our website and the Surrey School District website for information about the upcoming school year.

## **Planning for September 2021**

We are already working diligently to plan for a successful 2021/22 school year! We take this responsibility seriously and meet collaboratively to plan the best learning environment possible for each student. Initial decisions for classroom placement are made in the Spring by the professional teaching staff at Kirkbride. To ensure the placement is in the best interest of each individual student, many criteria are considered, including the following:

- Compliance with Class size and Composition Ministry regulations
- District policy
- Teacher contract guidelines
- Consideration of student(s) with special needs and EA or ABA SW
- Teacher and School Based Team recommendations
- Academic ability and performance
- Developmental level – behavioural / emotional
- Developmental level – dependence / independence
- Learning styles
- Social compatibility / friendships
- Gender balance
- Class / group dynamics
- Number of years in a combined class

If you know that your child will not be attending Kirkbride next year, please let the office know so that we can plan classes for next year.

## **REMINDER ABOUT SCHOOL DRESS CODE**

- Remove all hats upon entering the school.
- Clothing must be free from inappropriate slogans.
- Clothing and makeup must be appropriate for the school environment, eg: muscle shirts, tube tops, spaghetti straps, see through tops and beach wear are **not** appropriate. Midriffs must be covered.
- Clothing with violent symbols and/or pictures or offensive wording is prohibited.

## **JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**

Classes are participating in Jump Rope for Heart events this week in class. We are fundraising at [www.jumpropeforheart.ca](http://www.jumpropeforheart.ca).



## **KERNELS POPCORN**

The Kirkbride PAC is fundraising for our school library. We are selling Kernels popcorn at \$2.00 a bag. There are various flavours:

Butter salt

Say cheese (cheddar)

Dill pickle

Ketchup

Kettle Corn

White Cheese

Salt & Vinegar

Creamy Caramel

Low-fat Caramel



To order, please pay online at [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com). Orders due by Friday, May 14.

## **COVID-19 Mouth Rinse/Gargle Test Kits**

**These are available to symptomatic students at all schools in the Surrey School District**

Effective May 6<sup>th</sup>, COVID-19 mouth rinse/gargle test kits will be available in all schools in the Surrey School District. BC Children's Hospital and Fraser Health are making these test kits available for any student who becomes symptomatic during the school day. As is practice, if a student presents with COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, the student will be safely isolated, and families will be contacted to pick their child up as soon as possible. A kit will be offered to the parent/guardian to take home when the child is picked up. Instructions on how to administer the test at home are included in the kit. The sample can be dropped off at any [LifeLabs location](#) for processing. Results from these tests will be received through the same processes as tests taken at COVID-19 test centres. Acceptance of a kit is voluntary and solely a parent's or guardian's decision. We recognize that not all parents will be able to drop off a kit at LifeLabs in a timely manner, and not all students will be amenable to a test.

The availability of this test kit is yet another way that we are working with our partners in public health to safely keep our schools open. The health and safety of students and staff remains our first priority and we thank our staff, students and larger school community for their vigilance and commitment to our [health and safety protocols](#).

Please continue to monitor your child(ren) for [symptoms of COVID-19](#) before sending them to school each day. If they have any symptoms, children should remain at home and access testing at a collection centre, if advised.

For more information on testing, please visit the [BC Centre for Disease Control Testing Information website](#).

## **Grade 6/7 Immunizations**

Fraser Health's Immunization Program for school-aged children will resume this year beginning with students in grades 7 and 10 who missed their immunizations during the 2019-2020 school year due to COVID-19. These appointments will be located at local public health units. Health unit staff will contact families to book these immunization appointments over the spring and summer. The immunization programs for kindergarten, Grade 6 and 9 students from the 2020-2021 school year are currently under development

