



Home of The Waves

White Rock Elementary School

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Special News Bulletin

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

First we hope that you and your family are well. All staff at White Rock miss our students and their families. We are all thinking of you all during this challenging time.

We know that many students (and parents) are struggling with the loss of normal routines, the loss of contact with friends and family members, and the loss of face to face instruction. This is why, above all else, we hope that you continue to look after the health and well-being of yourselves and families first. Continuous learning should in no way add to the burdens and challenges you may already face as a family. Do what you can to support your child(ren). If what you are attempting to accomplish is too much then choose to do only what you and your child(ren) can accomplish.

White Rock Elementary is truly fortunate to have such a dedicated staff supporting this community. The staff in turn, wanted to express their deep appreciation to all students and parents for the generous support, patience, and understanding you have provided them. They have truly felt a deep connection and sense of cooperation in working together to support each other at such a difficult time.

Our staff also want to extend support to our community in any way we can. If there is anything as a school community we can do to support you and your family at this time please feel free to contact Mr. Hurt or Ms. Swansburg in confidence by calling the school or using the confidential email addresses below.

We all owe so much to so many who work to help support us all at this time. On behalf of our staff we wish to once again thank those individuals who are working hard to ensure that we all can be safe and healthy. The cooperation and kindness that is serving to help us all through these difficult times will only serve to strengthen our community in the future. Together we will get through this.

Sincerely,

M. Hurt (hurt_m@surreyschools.ca) & A. Swansburg (swansburg_s@surreyschools.ca)

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Including Information On A Crazy Hair Day***

Video

Did you see the video from staff. We miss you and wanted to connect with you in some way so we created a video to remind everyone to look after each other and wash their hands. Click on the link to see the video. <https://vimeo.com/408240005>

Crazy Hair Day

Let's show some White Rock spirit by having our own Digital Spirit Day! Our first Digital Spirit Day is Crazy Hair Day! So style that hair however you might like and send in a photo of your crazy hair day hairstyle to the school at whiterock@surreyschools.ca by **Monday May 4th** and then look for your photos on our WRE website! Please note -if you send your photo in for Crazy Hair day, it will be put on our school website. If you don't want your photo on the website, please just share with your teacher.

Pro-D Day Friday May 1st

Yes, it is a Pro-D Day this Friday. Professional Development Days were added to the school calendar to allow opportunities for teachers and support staff to learn new instructional and/or assessment strategies. At this time the need for teachers to learn new methods of delivering curriculum to students has never been more pressing. Teachers and support staff will not be providing learning programs for students this Friday and will instead be participating in their own learning programs.

A Message From Our Teacher-Librarian, Ms. Nygaard

I have submitted our results for Picture Book of the Year nominees. 316 of our White Rock Elementary students have voted. We will learn District results late May or early June.

Potato Pants! By Laurie Keller received the most votes (72) at White Rock Elementary.

Here is the *Potato Pants!* book you can read on YouTube https://youtu.be/fjR5-m0F_14

Here are some *Potato Pants!* Activities. <https://static.macmillan.com/static/macmillan/2020-online-resources/downloads/potato-pants-common-core-guide.pdf>

Here are the results from the White Rock voting for Picture Book of the Year:

<i>Doll-E 1.0</i>	29 votes	<i>Feathers</i>	6 votes	<i>Found</i>	16 votes
<i>Neighbours</i>	68 votes	<i>Petra</i>	17 votes	<i>Potato Pants</i>	72 votes
<i>Rabbit Listened</i>	27 votes	<i>Remember</i>	35 votes	<i>Smoot</i>	10 votes
				<i>The Wall</i>	36 votes

A Big Thank you

We arrived at school on Monday to have this beautiful rainbow message left for us. Thank you for your kindness and thoughtfulness. It was truly appreciated by all our staff.



