



Home of The Waves

White Rock Elementary School

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After School On The Playground

The warmer weather helps to motivate everyone to get outside more frequently. The weather also provides an increased opportunity for parents and caregivers to socialize as children play on the playground before and after school. A recent update to the *Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines For K-12 Settings*, however, requires that “Parents/caregivers and other visitors should maintain physical distance and avoid crowding while on school grounds, including outside.”

Given these revised guidelines parents and caregivers are asked to leave the school grounds promptly after school. ***Thank you for your support in helping to keep everyone safe.***

Dates To Remember

Friday, April 30	Early Dismissal @ 1:35p.m.
Friday, May 7	Pro-D Day
Friday, May 14	Early Dismissal @ 1:35p.m.
Monday, May 24	Victoria Day. School Closed.
Monday, May 31	Pro-D Day
Monday, June 7	Early Dismissal @ 1:35p.m.
Thursday, June 24	Early Dismissal @ 1:35p.m. Last Day For Students

A Reminder....

This Friday, April 30th, is an Early Dismissal Day. All students will be dismissed at **1:35p.m. this Friday.**

COVID-19

Last week our school community received another COVID-19 exposure notification. Although White Rock Elementary may not receive as many of these notifications as other schools, staff are none the less concerned about transmission of COVID-19 in the school community.

We would like to thank parents for their continued partnership in working together to reduce the spread of COVID-19. We ask parents to remind their child(ren) of the following key protocols:

- Stay home when sick or symptomatic;
- Frequently wash and/or sanitize hands and avoid touching the face;
- Wear a mask;
- Play with students within your class;
- Avoid sharing items; and,
- Leave the school grounds immediately after school.

Also, please send your child to school with a water bottle. Our drinking fountains are temporarily closed as an additional measure to reduce transmission of COVID-19.

We know that this is a trying time and thank you for your continued diligence and commitment to keeping our school community safe.

Division 5 Fund-Raiser

Hi! We are division 5, we have recently read the novel "A Long Walk to Water" by Linda Sue Park, which is based on a true story. The story is about a boy, Salva, who is separated from his family, and becomes one of "the Lost Boys" during the Second Sudanese Civil War.

Salva goes through many hardships but he never loses hope, and he then goes on to create a foundation called "Water for South Sudan". The foundation provides access to clean water to the people of South Sudan by creating and restoring wells. They also provide hygiene and sanitation education.

We felt inspired by Salva's story, and decided to help raise money for this foundation, our goal is to raise \$3,000 to help restore a well.

We will be selling handmade bracelets by donation for a minimum of \$2.50 (The bracelets will be sanitized and sealed in a plastic bag).

All donations MUST be in by May 13th. To donate directly, you can click the link below to bring you to our charity website.

<https://give.classy.org/whiterockforwater>

Early Dismissal Days

The following Early Dismissal Days have approved by the Board of Education:

- Friday, April 30th @ 1:35p.m.
- Friday, May 14th @ 1:35p.m.
- Monday, June 7th @ 1:35p.m.

These early dismissal days are to provide an opportunity for school-based health & safety committees and school staff to review and revisit health & safety plans, discuss recommendations, and implement or adjust any COVID-19 mitigation strategies.

Scholarship For Arts Programs

The City of White Rock has generously donated some funds for Scholarship for Arts Programs. This money is meant to support families who want to enroll their child in any Visual Arts, Dance, Drama or Music program where funds might be a barrier to the family.

To apply your family must have a White Rock address. If interested, please send an email to whiterock@surreyschools.ca with the following information: Student name, grade, address, program you're hoping your child will attend and the amount the program costs.

Applications are due by May 31st 2021



The Surrey School district invites applications for the following position:

SUPERVISION AIDES

This is an ideal part-time opportunity for retirees, post-secondary students studying from home and adults who relate well to children and youth. You will work one hour per day providing lunch supervision to elementary and secondary students. The hourly rate is \$22.21 per hour, and preference will be given to those available Monday to Friday.

Apply online at www.surreyschools.ca/careers
Questions? Contact Heidi Haywood, Human Resources 604-595-6145

Note: Successful applicants will be required to consent to a Criminal Record Search prior to employment. Only those persons selected for interviews will be contacted. To all others, thank you for your interest.