



# Berkshire Park Elementary School

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## Message from Mr. Lam



As I write my last newsletter for Berkshire Park, I am nostalgic with all the fond memories I've been part of these past four years! Thank you for all you do to support the learning of your children and entrusting them into our care. I will miss Berkshire Park and all who are part of this wonderful community.

Next week, the water main project on 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue is moving to the west side of our parking lot, which unfortunately means there will be no access for pick up or drop off at the front of the school in January, including the drop off zone in front of the kindergarten classes. Access to the parking lot will be for staff members, the school bus, and those who have a handicap sign on their car. Students and families can continue to use the makeshift crosswalk by the east gates of our parking lot, and there will be traffic guards helping both before and after school.

## Surrey Schools Reopen on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> After the Winter Break

Have a safe and enjoyable  
winter break!  
School re-starts in our  
district on Jan. 3



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LEADERSHIP IN LEARNING



Each school district sets its own calendar based on several factors, including instructional minutes and local collective agreements with employee groups. As such, school calendars often vary between districts. For instance, last year our final day of school was June 25 while most surrounding districts weren't finished until the following week.

**Reminder:** Don't forget to set your alarm clocks for Monday, Jan. 3 - you don't want to sleep in on the first day of school!

## Surrey Board of Education approves calendars for 2022-23 & 2023-24 School Years

- For the 2022-23 school year, the non-instructions/pro-d days are: Sept. 26, 2022; Oct. 21, 2022; Nov. 10, 2022; Feb. 24, 2023; May 5, 2023; and May 29, 2023
- School closure days following the week of Spring Break are March 13-17, 2023
- For the 2023-24 school year, the non-instructions/pro-d days are: Sept. 25, 2023; Oct. 20, 2023; Nov. 10, 2023; Feb. 23, 2024; May 3, 2024; and May 27, 2024
- School closure days following the week of Spring Break are March 25-28, 2024

# INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND SCHOOL

With some international borders now open to non-essential travel, ensure you know the requirements and restrictions for students and staff travelling outside of Canada, including to the United States and Mexico, as they pertain to returning to school.

**Those who are not fully vaccinated and travel outside Canada must follow all federal testing and quarantine requirements. For students, this includes not attending school for 14 DAYS following their return, according to federal travel guidance around COVID-19. This applies to travel by land, air or sea, regardless of negative COVID test results.**

This 14-day attendance restriction also applies to:

- day cares and camps
- settings with vulnerable people (i.e. long-term care facilities)
- large crowded indoor or outdoor settings (i.e. amusement parks, sporting events)
- crowded public transportation that does not ensure physical distancing and masking

**Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated students should not return to school within 14 days following international travel, regardless of who they travel with or if they receive a negative PCR test result.** There are exemptions for travel as part of cross-border custody agreements. For more information on this exemption, please visit [here](#).



Please note, travel rules and restrictions are subject to change. It is the responsibility of staff and students/families to review the latest federal guidance. For the latest information, visit [travel.gc.ca/travel-covid](https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid)



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