



Berkshire Park Elementary School

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Message from Mr. Lam



I am pleased to inform you that the staff and I were able to accommodate the students returning into the face to face program from the blended learning program with very little disruption to the existing divisions. For the most part, students will remain with the same teacher they started with in September, with a couple of exceptions. Students who will be moving to a new division/teacher will be informed by their existing classroom teacher today.



Every day this week, we are having some fun school wide "Spirit Days"! We started with Kindness Day where students were encouraged to show kindness. Many classes made cards for a local retirement home that houses just over 60 beds. Tuesday is Jersey Day followed by Twin Day on Wednesday. Wacky Hair Day on Thursday and ending with Red & Green Day on Friday. Thank-you division 3 for organizing these fun days.



Safety Over Convenience

The drop off/pick up zone by the Kindergarten classes are becoming a serious problem because of parents leaving their cars and others double parking at the end of the school day. In some cases, parents are arriving at 1:30 and using the pick-up bay as a parking spot, despite the posted signs. Therefore, starting in January, the gates to the bay will be closed until 2:30. If you need to get out of your vehicles, park in the neighbourhood and walk in. I realize it is not as convenient; however, we are putting safety over convenience. Please be considerate of others by NOT abandoning your cars! The school will try other things as well to try and help with this ongoing concern.

Some Traffic Rules at Berkshire Park:

1. Do not leave your cars unattended in the drop off/pick up area in front of the kindergarten classes or in the fire zone in the staff parking lot.
2. Do not turn right at the crosswalk after leaving the drop off/pick up bay
3. Do not pick up your children on 94th Avenue in front of the school

Staff supervise the school grounds, rain or shine, for 15 minutes at recess, before and after school in order to keep the students safe. Please help us do the same by leaving your cars in the neighbourhood and walking into the school.

