



# Kirkbride Elementary School

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

## Principal's Message

With Spring Break just around the corner, we have a number of important events coming up: Bullying Awareness Day, Girls and Boys Basketball Playdays. The girls tournament is going to be held at Queen Elizabeth high school on March 2 at 3:00 pm. Boys; tournament will be the week of February 22 to 26. Good luck to both teams in the respective Playday tournaments. I have been very impressed with the skill development and outstanding sportsmanship shown by the Kirkbride players throughout the season. Please be sure to read this newsletter for dates and times regarding other upcoming events.

The Second Term Report cards are coming home on Wednesday, March 9. Take the time to read this document carefully with your child, ask questions, and if you have concerns and need further clarification, phone the school and make an appointment to see your child's teacher.

Thank you to those parents who have been waiting outside in front of the school or outside the office area for their children. The reduced presence of adults in the school hallways is appreciated. The students are well aware of the appropriate identification badges the visitors should be displaying, be it school board employees or parents. All visitors/parents to the school must report to the office to sign in. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher, arrangements should be made ahead of time. If you need to speak to your child for an important reason, inform the office staff and they will phone down to the classroom and ask that student to come to the office. Please be aware that unplanned interruptions have to be for good reason, and that teaching / learning time for the students needs to be maximized. We thank you again in helping to make Kirkbride a vibrant learning community where the children and staff feel safe and valued.

I have noticed a few children bringing their technological toys to school in the form of iPods, cell phones, etc. Please let your child know that these items are best left at home, and if they choose to bring them to school, we (the school) are not responsible for the theft or damage to those items.

If they choose to bring them to school, it must be stored in their bags and not left in their desks. Cell phones are to be left off and again, kept in a backpack/school bag. If any staff see a student walking around with a cell phone in their hands, on or off, it will be brought to the office and left there until 2:30, at which time it may be picked up.

In case of an emergency, and you need to get in direct contact with your child, please phone the school directly and the secretaries will make sure the emergent needs are dealt with. This will cause minimal disruption to all students, and allow maximal learning to occur.

*J. Frank*

## Dates to Remember:

<b>Feb. 18</b>	Pizza on sale at lunch
<b>Feb. 18</b>	Grade 7 Information night at LA Matheson
<b>Feb. 19</b>	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY - NO SCHOOL
<b>Feb. 24</b>	Bullying Awareness Day - wear Pink Shirt Day
<b>Feb. 24</b>	Grade 7 Science Fair – Parents welcome from 10:25 to 11:48 am
<b>Feb. 24</b>	PAC Meeting
<b>Mar. 9</b>	Report Cards go home – Term #2
<b>Mar. 12 to Mar. 28</b>	School closed for Spring Break
<b>Mar. 29</b>	<b>First Day back of School</b>
<b>Apr. 20-22</b>	Grade 7 to Camp Elphinstone

**Kindergarten Registration** – Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2017 are eligible to begin school in September 2016. Registration has begun so please come into the office to register.



### **Pizza Sales**

We are having pizza sales at lunch time on Thursday, February 18, February 25, March 3 and March 10. Cost is \$2.00 per slice.



### **Basketball**

At the moment, our student athletes have been working hard in the classrooms and in the gym. Currently we have approximately 45 Grade 6 and 7 boys and 25 Grade 6 and 7 girls learning the sport of basketball. The students have been practicing hard before / after school and lunch, developing their individual skills as well as learning how to play as a team. All the teams are doing extremely well, and the coaches, Mr. Halford, Mrs. Devji and Mr. Frank are proud of their sportsmanship and dedication. The final Playday Tournaments are March 2 for girls and the week of February 22 to 26 for boys. Parents, of course, are welcome to come out and cheer our team on.

**SURREYSCHOOLS.CA/SCHOOLS/KIRKBRIDE** is our website. Please check it out. We have Calendar dates and announcements as well as some helpful links for parents. On the website you will also find our newsletters. If you wish to subscribe, please follow the EMAIL LIST link and add your email address to receive the newsletter.



### **Rockin' Readers**

Rockin' Reader's recognition goes to the following students for January: Cat-Thy P. – Div. 3; Natasha D. – Div. 4; Amina S. – Div. 5; Dalan K. – Div. 6; Amit N. – Div. 7; Carlo W. – Div. 8; Payal S. – Div. 9; Max C. – Div. 10; Mehar A. – Div. 11; Derickson N. – Div. 12; Neelam B. – Div. 14; Viraj A. – Div. 15; Katelyn H. – Div. 16.

Well done readers.

### **Cross Walk and Parking Lots**

Please hold your younger children's hands when using the cross walk and entrance to parking lots. Young children have a tendency to wander off onto the roadway. Keeping a closer hand will prevent any tragedies from occurring.

### **Second Non-Instructional Day Added to Calendar**

The Board of Education has approved Monday, April 18 as a Pro D (Non-instructional Day). Please make this day on your calendars.

### **Super Kids Award**

Congratulations to the following students! Kirkbride has wonderful students! Anmol – Div. 12; Adrian – Div. 12; Sakora – Div. 12; Derickson – Div. 12; Viraj – Div. 15; IkJot Div. 15; Jaiden – Div. 14; Arshdeep – Div. 14; Amina – Div. 5; Sumreet – Div. 12; Kazeen Div. 12; Karanveer – Div. 14; Mackenzie – Div. 5; Sumreet – Div. 12; Khushi – Div. 12; Madison – Div. 14; Taima – Div. 7; Adrian – Div. 12; Karanveer – Div. 14, Ashton – Div. 14, Pritha – Div. 8; Nitika – Div. 15, Arshdeep – Div. 14; Arshdeep – Div. 14.