



# 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**

We have a number of important events coming up: Bullying Awareness Day – February 22, Girls and Boys Basketball Playdays later this month. 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.

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.

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.

**In the event of snow, please see our note below. Our telephone lines get very busy on these days so please check with the local radio stations below, Global News, or our district website – [www.surreyschools.ca](http://www.surreyschools.ca).**

*J. Frank*

**\*If it snows . . . .**

**Class Cancellations: Information for Parents**

**Sometimes extreme weather conditions or other unusual circumstances can cause class cancellations at a school, or district-wide on short notice.**

**In the event of class cancellations, the Surrey School District will post information on its web site at [www.surreyschools.ca](http://www.surreyschools.ca) and provide updates to the following radio stations.**

- CKNW (980 AM or [www.cknw.com](http://www.cknw.com))
- News 1130 (1130 AM or [www.news1130.com](http://www.news1130.com))
- CBC Radio (690 AM or [www.cbc.ca/bc](http://www.cbc.ca/bc))
- Red-FM (93.1 FM)
- Radio India (1600 AM)
- Radio Punjab (cable/satellite)
- Fairchild Radio (1470 AM)
- CHMB (AM 1320)

### **Dates to Remember:**

<b>Feb. 9</b>	Pizza on sale at lunch
<b>Feb. 13</b>	Family Day – NO SCHOOL
<b>Feb. 14</b>	Spirit Day – Wear Red, Pink and/or White Day
<b>Feb. 17</b>	Pro D Day - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY - NO SCHOOL
<b>Feb. 22</b>	Anti-Bullying Awareness Day - wear Pink Shirt Day
<b>Feb. 22</b>	PALS Session – 9:00 am – for three and four year olds
<b>Mar. 9</b>	Report Cards go home – Term #2
<b>Mar. 13 to Mar. 24</b>	School closed for Spring Break
<b>Mar. 27</b>	First Day back to School

**Kindergarten Registration** – Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2018 are eligible to begin school in September 2017. Registration has begun so please come into the office to register.

### **Pizza Sales**

We are having pizza sales at lunch time on Thursday, February 9, February 16, February 23, March 9. 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. Frank and Mr. Copley are proud of their sportsmanship and dedication. The final Playday Tournaments will be coming up in next few weeks. 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.

### **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.