



Hjorth Road Elementary

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February & March

It's hard to believe that February is almost over and March is almost here!

Please take a few moments to read the following information and take note of upcoming school events as well as our scheduled professional day & Spring Break dates.

Pink Shirt Day

Anti-Bullying day in on **Wednesday, February 23rd** and we encourage our students to LIFT EACH OTHER UP! These positive and encouraging words are meant to remind our students to treat each other with kindness, look beyond our differences and celebrate the things that make us unique. We aim to remind all students to be complimentary rather than critical. To be friendly instead of fierce. Wearing a pink shirt on this day reminds all students that we will never tolerate bullying and that help is available at all times.

Spirit Days

This month we will be celebrating a few great days at school to build school spirit! Please encourage your child to participate in the following fun days:

- Wednesday, Feb. 23rd – Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day
- Thursday, Feb. 24th – Crazy Sock Day!

Visitors to School

A reminder to all families that we continue to closely monitor and limit all visitors to our school. In the morning, we encourage all students to enter the school independently and ask family members to give their goodbye greetings outside. Should you need to contact school staff please call the school or knock on the office window for our attention. We will meet you at the front door to support you as best we can.

West Coast Weather

At Hjorth Road we recognize that outdoor play is vitally important to the success of our students throughout the day. As we live on the west coast we believe our students should be prepared for all types of weather. Unless we are experiencing a torrential down pour we will be sending our students (and Mrs. Colter!) outside on rainy days. Please remember to send your child to school with a jacket, mittens, boots and umbrella, if they wish. Additionally, if your child is prone to getting dirty, please remember to pack an extra set of clothes (socks too) for them to change into should they get wet and muddy outside.



Masks at School

A reminder to our families to please send a mask to school each day with your child. Also, as they often get wet and dirty throughout the day we encourage families to send an additional mask so your child can change it when needed.

Digital Citizenship at School – a reminder

The use of personal devices at school is a privilege given to our students with the understanding that the following expectations will be respected and upheld at all times.



- All devices must remain in the student's backpack at all times while the student is on school property, inside and outside of the building.
- The use of electronic devices is not permitted during recess and lunch.
- Devices must remain in the student's backpack unless under direct supervision and with permission from the instructing teacher.

Should students demonstrate difficulty following these expectations, electronic devices will be retained by the classroom teacher until the end of the school day. Subsequent concerns will require consultation with Mrs. Colter and the student's parents and may result in a loss of privileges.

Communicating Student Learning

As we approach the end of our second term, I wish to offer a reminder that teachers have the choice of two methods when communicating student learning. At Hjorth Road, the Communicating Student Learning (CSL) **Point of Progress template will be used by divisions 9, 12, 13 & 14.** Digital documentation with **Fresh Grade will be used to offer evidences of learning in divisions 1-8, 10 & 11.** This term, our Communication of Student Learning will be sent home to families on Thursday, Mar. 10th. Should you have any questions about your child's learning, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Upcoming Dates

Wed. Feb. 23 rd	Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day
Thurs. Feb. 24 th	Spirit Day - Crazy Sock Day!
Fri. Feb. 25 th	Non-Instructional Day – No school for students
Thurs. Mar. 10 th	Communication of Student Learning home to families
Mar. 14 – 25 th	Spring Break – no school for students
Mon. Mar. 28 th	Welcome Back to school

School Website

Please check out our website for information and updates at www.surreyschools.ca/schools/hjorthroad/.

Warmest regards,

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Growing and Caring Together at Hjorth Road Elementary