



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

I want to say a big “welcome back” to all our Kirkbride families. Now that Christmas has come and gone, the classes have begun working hard in January to cover the second term curriculum. The teachers will be assessing and evaluating their students in preparation for writing their reports, which go out on Tuesday, March 6th.

We know that not every student can achieve top marks, however, everyone is capable of reaching their own level of excellence. If we all support and value the same ideals, we have an excellent chance of bringing about positive change at our school.

The following is a list of ways you can support the development of “success building” at Kirkbride:

- * **Positive reinforcement (encourage children to strive to do their best in all endeavors - academic and social)**
- * **Make sure school work takes precedence over extra-curricular activities**
- * **Have students take responsibility for getting to school on time (late arrivals disrupt the learning of your child and their classmates)**
- * **Expect and encourage truthfulness. We all make mistakes and by acknowledging errors and taking responsibility for our actions, we grow as individuals**
- * **Take ownership of our school property. Help keep our school and playground tidy, rather than have the “I didn't mess it so I am not going to clean it” attitude**
- * **Choose not to “be cool” but to be a good person who respects differences.**

Success comes in many forms and Kirkbride encourages all children to become involved and aspire to being successful through honouring that which we believe in - RESPECT for self, others, and property. Whether your son/daughter is an A student or a C student, I encourage you to be a positive part of their academic and social development.

We have an early dismissal day on Thursday, January 18, 2018.

Staff Changes: Mr. Cater will be leaving us on January 26 to pursue future endeavours! We wish him all the best. The new Grade 7 teacher will be announced soon.

We welcome back Ms. Devji who will be teaching LST on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Dates to Remember:

Jan. 12	Zumba presentation starting at 12:45 pm - Parents welcome!
Jan. 15	Kindergarten registration begins for September 2018
Jan. 15	PALS Session #2 - for three and four year olds
Jan. 18	Pizza on sale at lunch
Jan. 18	Early Dismissal Day at 1:30 pm
Jan. 19	Digital Guise presentation in gym at 10:40 am - Parents welcome
Jan. 25	Pizza on sale at lunch
Jan. 25	PAC meeting at 7:00 pm in the library
Jan. 26	Beach Day/Spirit Day - Grades 2 to 7 to Sungod
Feb. 5 - Mar. 2	Delta Gymnastics at school
Feb. 12	Family Day - No School
Feb. 16	Pro D Day - No School
Feb. 28	Anti-Bullying Awareness Day - Wear Pink

PALS

Our second session of PALS is on Monday, January 15 for three and four year olds children from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. PALS is also a great way for young children to become more comfortable and confident at school and get ready for kindergarten- and PALS is completely free!

Kindergarten Registration

Children who will turn five years old before January 1, 2019 are eligible to begin school in September 2018. Registration began on Monday, January 15th. Please come into the office to register and bring the following documents:

- Proof of Birth Date for the student (*birth certificate or passport*)
- Proof of Guardianship (*parents/guardians as shown on birth certificate or other appropriate legal documentation such as landed immigrant paper or guardianship order*)
- Proof of Citizenship for both the parent and the student (*Canadian birth certificate, citizenship card, passport, landed immigrant document, permanent resident card, enhanced driver's license or enhanced identification card*)
- Proof of Residency (*purchase or rental agreement, cable, hydro or gas bill*)
- Health Documents (*Care card, immunization records, medical condition information*)

Pizza Sales

We are having pizza sales at lunch time on Thursdays starting January 11 to March 15, 2018. Cost of pizza is \$2.00 per slice.



Basketball

Grade 6 and 7 boys and girls basketball game season will begin the week of January 21. The schedule will be out soon. Parents are welcome to come out and watch our student athletes play against other schools.



Zumba

This week we have Zumba at our school. Thank you to the PAC for paying for this for our students. We will have a presentation on Friday, January 12th for parents: Divisions 8 to 19 from 12:45 to 1:15 pm and Divisions 1 to 7 at 1:30 to 2:00 pm. All are welcome.



Just Kids Dental Clinic

Hello parents, caregivers, teachers, and support workers, this is Kirsty and Royce from EFry's JustKids program. Happy New Year to you all; we hope you had a warm and restful holiday! We're happy to announce the upcoming dates for UBC Faculty of Dentistry's **Free Dental Clinic** for this semester at Douglas College in New Westminster. This clinic aims to provide free dental healthcare to those kids that may not have the means to otherwise access it, and we're once again inviting you and your children to join us. The following dates are currently available, and can take up to 8 per session:

<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>
Saturday, Jan. 13th	Saturday, Feb. 3rd	Saturday, Mar. 3rd
Saturday, Jan. 20th	Saturday, Feb. 17th	Saturday, Mar. 10th
Saturday, Jan. 27th		Saturday, Mar. 17th
		Saturday, Mar. 24th

These dental clinics offer standard check-ups, dental sealant application, and additionally can provide referrals to appropriate resources for more serious or advanced dental issues. Seats are first-come first-serve, with sessions running from 9:00am to 11:30am.