



ERMA STEPHENSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Re: School Reopening for Face to Face Learning

Dear Erma Families;

We hope that you and your family are doing well. We would like to extend our appreciation for the support and understanding that members of our school community have shown as we transitioned to remote learning following Spring Break. Your efforts have helped to ensure that student learning has continued over the last two months.

We have been busy preparing to welcome back those students who will be returning to the classroom for face to face learning beginning June 1. We look forward to seeing staff and students at Erma next week. **If you change your plans to attend or not, it is very important that you call or email the school office in advance so we can plan accordingly.**

As we have been planning for the return of students, we have been guided by our shared commitment to ensuring the safety of all members of our school community. We will be reminding our students of the importance of following the guidelines around frequent hand washing, physical distancing and staying home if they are feeling sick.

Important School Procedures and Routines

- Please be reminded that **parents and caregivers are responsible to assess their child(ren) each day before going to school.** If your child is experiencing symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19 or other infectious respiratory disease please **keep your child home until there has been an assessment by a health care provider AND the symptoms have resolved.**
- Access to our building will be limited to students and staff, unless prior arrangements have been made through the Principal. Should you need to need to contact the school, please call the office at 604-583-5419 or email the schools at ermastephenson@surreyschools.ca
- We have put in place plans to help with physical distancing and minimizing physical contact. Physical distancing can be challenging in a school setting, particularly with younger students. As such, it is reasonable to establish different expectations for varying age levels and activities. For example, younger students will be supported to have minimized physical contact with one another, while older students and adults should seek to maintain a safe physical distance of at least 2 metres from others whenever possible.
- The front door of the school will remain locked. Parents/visitors are not able to come in to the school. If you need assistance, call or email the school at ermastephenson@surreyschools.ca
- No items/lunch can be dropped off at the office during the school day.

- Students and families who are not attending school may not be on the school property during school hours
- Students are not to bring any playground/sports equipment/personal toys to school at this time
- Students will be going outside rain or shine every day, please dress appropriately for all weather

Drop Off

- Drop off times will be ‘flexible’, students may arrive between 8:30-8:45
- Children enter through their classroom outside doors when they arrive, wash hands and go to their assigned seats
- Please Do NOT arrive before 8:30

Pick up

- Student must be picked up at their classroom door at 2:30 pm promptly
- Students may not be picked up before 2:30

Please bring with you:

- Full water bottle
- Backpack
- Snacks and Lunch
- Any school supplies requested by your child’s teacher

Weekly Schedule June 1-5:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-2:30	8:30-2:30		8:30-2:30	8:30-2:30
Group A Grades 1-5 Divisions: 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, 17 K Group	Group B Grades 1-5 Divisions: 8, 10, 12, 15 K Group	NO in person instruction Remote Learning Continues	Group A Grades 1-5 Divisions: 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, 17 K Group	Group B Grades 1-5 Divisions: 8, 10, 12, 15 K Group
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Grade 6/7 Div. 3 (Gr. 6), Div. 5	Grade 6/7 Div. 2 & 4	NO in person instruction	Grade 6/7 Div. Div. 3 (Gr. 7)	Grade 6/7 Div. 1

We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back into the building. We are in this together and appreciate your patience as we all get used to all the changes and procedures.

Heather Hill,
Principal