

# MARY JANE SHANNON ELEMENTARY

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Look for newsletter and other school information posted on our school web site: <a href="http://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/mjshannon">www.surreyschools.ca/schools/mjshannon</a>
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Dear MJS Families,

Thank-you for your continued diligence in screening your child every day for symptoms by going through the Daily Health Check and keeping them home if they are not 100%. We are in this together and we all need to remain vigilant to keep our entire school community safe. We continue to be impressed with the respect our students are showing towards COVID-19 protocols. Thank-you for your ongoing support at home in ensuring your child has their reusable mask, water bottle and all their school supplies before they depart for school.

Juanita Coltman  
Principal

We are pleased to announce the newly elected PAC Executive members for 2020-21 are:

- Ashley Milligan – President
- Tina Eang, Vice President
- Lee Thung – Treasurer
- Patricia Anderson – Secretary

Just a reminder the PAC is actively seeking new volunteers to work alongside someone in an existing role in preparation for next year!

If you would like more information please contact Juanita Coltman, Principal through the school office or contact the following parent:

Ashley Milligan: 604-910-7465 or [ashley\\_milligan@hotmail.com](mailto:ashley_milligan@hotmail.com)

The next PAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 25th at 12 noon. There should be a link sent out shortly to join.

## **After School Procedures:**

Just a reminder, that students are expected to go straight home after school unless their parent/caregiver is outside supervising them. As well, please ensure your child knows “the plan” for what to do/where to go/who is picking them up after school (going with a friend, taking the bus, etc.) – a note in their agenda is helpful. Students should only be using the phone in the case of emergency. If there are unexpected changes to your child’s afterschool pickup/bus arrangements, etc., please contact the office directly.

**December lunch envelopes are going home on November 17<sup>th</sup>  
and are due back November 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**Keep Physically Distance:**

With COVID cases increasing in the Fraser Health region, we would like to send out another reminder to parents about gathering outside the school building drop off and pick up times. Please consider dropping your child off and saying goodbye from a safe distance 1 -2 metres from other adults and students. If you arrive to school early, please wait at a safe distance away from others. We would like to again thank parents for wearing masks when dropping off their children and for all they are doing to keep our students safe.

**Important Upcoming dates to mark on your calendar .....**

November 23-December 4th	Virtual Scholastic Book Fair
November 24	December Lunch envelopes due back and Winter Fundraiser (poinsettia, planter, wreath, or arrangement) due
November 25	PAC meeting online @ 12noon
December 9	Pick up Winter poinsettia, planter, wreath, or arrangement
December 14-16	Communicating Student Learning (CSL) reports
Friday, December 18	Last day of school
December 21-January 3	Winter Break
January 4	School opens

**Free Eye Glasses:**

This year Clearly is giving children age 10 and under a free pair of kids' glasses. Please see the link below for more information.

<https://www.clearly.ca/eyewear/free-kids-glasses>

**Electronics at School:**

Electronic items must be left at home unless a teacher is requesting them for learning purposes. If an electronic item is brought to school it MUST remain with the teacher or in the student's backpack and turned off during school hours. This includes before school, during recess and lunch and after school. The use of phones etc. will not be permitted at any time throughout the day unless the teacher requests they be used for schoolwork. Every classroom has a telephone that may be used by students, with a teacher's permission, to call for emergencies or important matters.

## Rain or Shine!

Our current COVID-19 practices make going outside especially critical this school year.

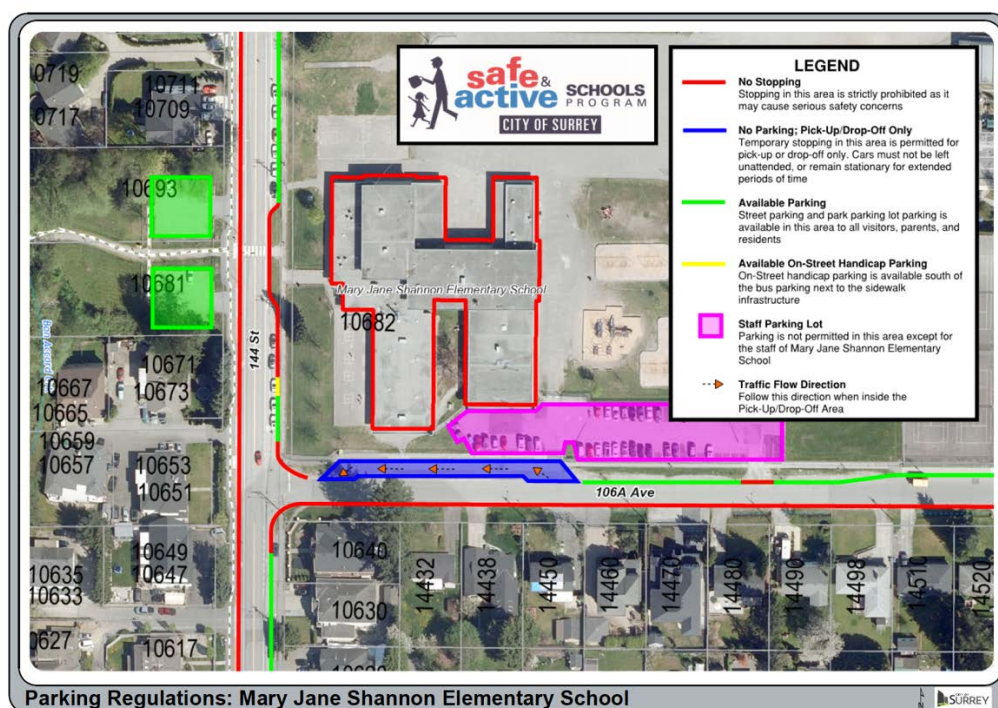
Please send your child dressed for the rainy, cold weather, boots, umbrellas, hats and raincoats are essential items.

Please also make it a habit to put a clean change of clothes in your child's backpack in case they need to have dry clothes for the remainder of the day after being outside.

## Parking and Traffic Safety:









Please keep students and our community safe by:

- Walking to school
- Parking where permitted - see map
- Not parking in the drop off area
- Not entering the staff parking lot
- Use the crosswalk



## Winter Fundraiser:

Add a little holiday cheer to your home this year with a 6.5" poinsettia, planter, wreath, or arrangement! The plants range from \$13 to 45 and are provided from Growing Smiles in Chilliwack, BC

 <p><b>Tropical Indoor Planter</b> Containers vary. Approx: 10-12" by 4-8" \$30.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	 <p><b>Holiday Wreath</b> Approx. 22" diameter \$30.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	 <p><b>Succulent Bowl</b> Ceramic Bowl has 9" diameter \$30.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>
 <p><b>Outdoor Greenery Arrangement</b> Approx. height: 30-36" &amp; width: 16-20" \$45.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	 <p><b>Hanging Greenery Bough</b> Approx. height: 26-32" &amp; width: 10-13" \$30.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	
 <p><b>6.5" Poinsettia - Red</b> Approx. height: 14-16" &amp; width: 12-16" \$13.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	 <p><b>6.5" Poinsettia - White</b> Approx. height: 14-16" &amp; width: 12-16" \$13.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>	 <p><b>6.5" Poinsettia - Pink</b> Approx. height: 14-16" &amp; width: 12-16" \$13.00 Qty: <input type="text" value="0"/></p>

You have the option of ordering online by clicking:

<https://maryjaneshannon.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Or please return an order form, with cash to your child's class by **Tuesday, Nov. 24th, 2020.**

Plants will be available for **collection on Wednesday, December 9th** after school. We will set up tables outside the front doors.

All funds raised from this Poinsettia sale will go towards the PAC sponsored activities.

Thank you for your support!

# Virtual Book Fair Countdown!



Dear families,

Our school's **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** starts next week! It will be open from **November 23<sup>rd</sup> to December 4<sup>th</sup>**.

Let's continue to give our students access to the books they want to read! We are excited to provide this opportunity for families to shop together, from the comfort of home.

Plan to participate in our **Virtual Family Event** on **Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8**. Both of these days have **FREE SHIPPING** from 6-8pm!!

Your investment in your reader also helps our whole school. All purchases earn rewards that can be redeemed for books and Education Resources for our school's classrooms and library.

When it's time to shop, visit our school's **Virtual Book Fair** site using this link:

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5151524>

Watch for news leading up to our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair!**  
Happy reading!

