



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.

November 5, 2019

Dates to Remember:

Nov. 7	Remembrance Day assembly at 10:45 am – everyone is welcome to attend
Nov. 8	NO School – Pro D Day
Nov. 11	NO School – in lieu day of Remembrance Day
Nov. 14	Family Read at 8:45 am – All parents welcome.
Nov. 12, 14, 15, 18	Book Fair in the library
Nov. 18	Photo Retake Day
Nov. 20	PALS Session #1
Nov. 29	Spirit Day – Ugly Sweater
Dec. 5	Christmas Concert – further details to come

Principal's Message

As the cold, dark and often rainy days of fall settle in, we want to remind our parents to send their children to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Only on very rare occasions do we call an 'inside' day at recess or lunch, so please remember raincoats, boots, hats, and gloves. Reflective clothing is also great to keep our kids safe! Thank you for reading today's addition on Closures, Class Cancellations, and Delayed Openings due to weather.

As a reminder, we are only able to provide supervision for 15 minutes before school and for 15 minutes after school. For this reason, please do not send your child to school before 8:25 am, unless he/she has made alternate arrangements to be under the direct supervision of a staff member or your child is in Breakfast Club. Likewise, please encourage your child(ren) to go straight home after dismissal at 2:30 pm. Thank you!

As Halloween gave way to our Remembrance Day Assembly this Thursday, we began for the end of our first formal period. Teachers are very busy working through this important time with your children and the support staff. Good starts have led to positive growth over the first term. Less than satisfactory starts continue to be addressed, and if major concerns have surfaced then you would have been contacted by the teacher.

The tone of the school has been very workmanlike over the past many weeks as the staff strive to develop the best writers and readers through sound, pedagogical practice. Parents are an integral part of students' learning and we encourage you to provide scheduled time every evening when your child is expected to read or better yet, when you read together. Spend a little time as well reviewing math facts and concepts. Without your active participation and support our students can't reach those higher levels of achievement.

School Web Site

Please check out our website as it has information about upcoming events. You can sign up to receive our newsletters and notice online. Go to www.surreyschools.ca/schools/kirkbride. Under "Email List", enter your email and submit.

School Meal Program

If you wish your child to be part of our school meal program, please complete a form **each month** and have it returned a week prior to the beginning of the new month.

Flu Season



As flu season is upon us, it is recommended that if your child is sick, to stay home for 48 – 72 hours after last bout of vomiting, and/or diarrhea when sudden and severe. Anyone with a fever should stay home for at least 24 hours after the fever has been controlled.

Super Kids

Congratulations to the following students for being responsible: Arjun – Div. 11; Besnik – Div. 10, Tavleen – Div. 15, Simrat – Div. 12; Mehran – Div. 16; Hela – Div. ; Krithika – Div. 9; Ayaat – Div. 8; Gurleen – Div. 9; Hela – Div. 15.

Volleyball Season

Volleyball season has begun. Both teams' skill development has been coming along well, and we look forward to a strong showing at our playdays. We thank the parent volunteers who have helped drive our students to the games. Girls' volleyball practices are Tuesdays before school and Mondays at lunch. Games are on Thursdays. Boys' volleyball practices are on Monday mornings and Wednesdays at lunch. Games are Wednesdays after school.



Pals

Kirkbride Elementary would like to invite you and your 3 or 4 year old to participate in PALS, our early literacy program. This is our ninth year of PALS at our school, and kids and parents who participated in past years have LOVED it! PALS sessions will be once a month on a Wednesday in the library from 9:00 – 11:00. Our first session is Wednesday, November 20. Please call the school at 604-588-5711 to confirm you and your child's attendance.

Extra Change of Clothes

With the wet season coming upon us, please send a spare change of clothes to school, which can remain in your child's backpack. We also ask that students come to school dressed appropriately for the weather.

Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent for the day, please call the school by 9:00 am at 604-588-5711. You can also leave a message 24 hours a day at 604-588-5711 and by pressing 1.

Spirit Wear for Kirkbride

We are excited to announce that we will offering NEW Spirit Wear for our school. We are accepting orders **until Thursday, November 7**. The cost for the t-shirts will be \$10.00 for short sleeve and \$15.00 for long sleeve.