

Coming up at Coyote Creek

October - November 2025



Dear Coyote Creek Families,

Halloween is just around the corner, and our hallways are buzzing with excitement! As we prepare for our Halloween Parade on October 31st, we'd like to remind families that costumes should be appropriate for an elementary school setting. Please avoid costumes that are scary, gory, or violent. In addition, masks and toy weapons (or any items that look like weapons) should not be brought to school.

With the seasons changing, we also encourage everyone to be extra cautious when walking near roads at dusk or dawn to help keep our students safe in the morning and after school.

A big thank-you to our PAC for hosting the Halloween Social—it promises to be a fun and successful event that will bring our school community together!

Looking ahead, November 1st marks Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), a beautiful cultural celebration honouring and remembering loved ones who have passed. Photo retakes will take place on November 3rd, November 10th is a non-instructional day, November 11th is a statutory holiday for Remembrance Day, and parent-teacher conferences will be held on November 18th, which is also an early dismissal day.

Warm regards,
Ms. Hillen, Mrs. Bruce
& Coyote Creek staff



Coming up...

October

24th - Non-instructional day (School Closed)

27th - Media Literacy Week

31st - Halloween Parade

November

1st - Dia de los Muertos

3rd - Individual photo retakes

6st - Interim reports go home (some divisions)

10th - Non-instructional day (school is closed)

18th - Parent-teacher conferences, early dismissal (1:28 pm)

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	Nov 1
				Halloween Halloween Parade	Hindu Heritage Month
3	4	5	6	7	8
Photo Retakes					Indigenous Veterans Day
10	11	12	13	14	15
Non-instructional day	Remembrance Day				
17	18	19	20	21	22
	1:28 PM Parent Teacher Conferenc...		Transgender Day of Remembrance World/National Child Day		
24	25	26	27	28	29

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New: Criminal Record Checks for Volunteers

Our district has moved to a new online Criminal Record Check (CRC) system, managed centrally by Human Resources. This new process replaces the recent process for the Police Information Check (PIC) that volunteers used to get through their local police department.

What this means for parents/volunteers:

You no longer need to go to the police station for a background check.

The Criminal Record Check is now done online through the Ministry of Public Safety's secure system.

The school or district will send volunteers a link or instructions to complete the check online.

Once approved, the clearance will be shared directly with the district (you don't need to bring in a paper copy).

This change makes the process faster, easier, and more consistent across all schools. It also helps Surrey Schools continue to keep our students safe.

If parents have questions about how to complete their CRC, they can email [**volunteerchecks@surreyschools.ca**](mailto:volunteerchecks@surreyschools.ca).

**FIELD
TRIP**

Help your child stay safe online!

Media Literacy Week

October 27 - 31

Parent Resources

Click on these buttons for free resources for parents





**Check
reputable sources
before sharing
information**

**Push back
against hate and
prejudice online
and report it**

**Be mindful of
your digital
media use**

**Remember
there's a real
person behind
the screen**

**Respect your
own privacy
and other people's
privacy online**



make our online world
**a better
place**

#DIGITALCITIZENDAY

PAC Fundraisers

Family Photo Fundraiser

The Coyote Creek PAC is hosting a Family Photo Fundraiser from November 5th to November 7th at Coyote Creek Elementary School.

TO BOOK:

[Booking Calendar - htphotog.com](http://photog.com)

[More PAC Info](#)

Poinsettia Fundraiser

The PAC is excited to offer Poinsettias and Winter Planters for sale! Support Coyote Creek initiatives and activities while getting a head start on your holiday decor.

Order Details:

- Visit [Fundraiser Link](#)
- Orders open now until November 17th
- Pick up your plants on December 1st at the school

Questions? Reach out to us at coyotecreekpac36@gmail.com
Please feel free to send this link to your family, friends, and neighbours.

Support a great cause and brighten up your home for the holidays!



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"Success For All"

Coyote Creek Elementary Newsletter

Date: October 1st, 2025

To: Parents and Guardians of Coyote Creek Elementary

Dear Coyote Creek Families,

We hope this message finds you well! As we continue to strive for excellence in education at our school of 754 students, we recognize the importance of equipping our children with the tools they need for success. To that end, we are excited to announce our upcoming fundraiser aimed at enhancing our technology resources. Our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) kindly supports this effort to build our technology inventory for students. Currently we only have 16 laptops available on a cart for our entire school, this is simply not enough for our large community of learners, and we want to ensure that every student has access to the technology they need to thrive in today's digital age. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 to purchase 15 laptops, providing our students with more opportunities to engage with technology in the classroom. We are reaching out to you, our supportive community, to help us achieve this goal. Every contribution counts, no matter how big or small.

Additionally, for donations of \$25 or more, you will be eligible for a charity donation tax credit, making your generosity go even further. You can easily donate on-line through this link: SchoolCashOnline.com: Fee Details and selecting the fund destination as Coyote Creek. You can select the amount you wish to donate, making it easy and convenient to contribute. If you are reading this letter in a hard copy version, you can go to www.surreyschools.ca and click on DONATE at the top mid-right hand side, (font is grey), then scroll down to "how to donate" and click on the hyperlink "donate on line".

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to enhancing the educational experience at Coyote Creek. Together, we can make a significant impact on our students' learning opportunities.

Warm regards,
Larissa Hillen and Carla Bruce
Principal / Vice Principal

Please feel free to share this message with friends and family who may also wish to contribute! Every dollar helps us get closer to our goal. Thank you!

NO Riding E-Scooters or E-Bikes on School Grounds

 No riding on school property

 Dismount before entering
Walk your scooter or bike
Always wear a helmet



*If you don't follow the rules, you may lose the right to
bring your scooter/bike to school*

Government of BC Rules:

E-Scooter Rules:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/driving-and-cycling/cycling/electric-kick-scooter-rules>

E-Bike Rules:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/driving-and-cycling/cycling/cycling-regulations-restrictions-rules>

SCAN ME



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We care about your safety!

Lates and Attendance



If you know your child will be away from school, please call our school at 604 597 0858 and follow the prompts (press 1) to leave a message in our absentee mailbox.

Alternatively, please email us at coyotecreek@surreyschools.ca at any time throughout the day.

We know mornings are busy times, but our teachers begin instruction at 8:35, and students who arrive late miss many wonderful parts of the morning learning routines.

Students who arrive past 8:45, please report to the office.

School Policies

Please refrain from bringing your pets on school grounds as it is a Local bylaw and District policy. Many people are afraid of dogs and we would like to ensure our playgrounds remain sanitary for little hands at recess and lunch.



LIMITED PARKING SPOTS



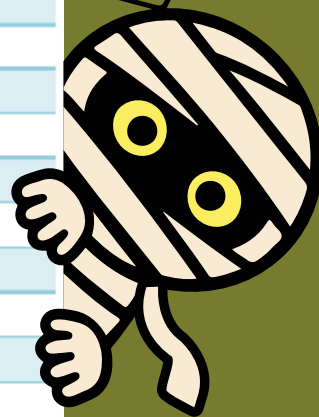
The lot is reserved for staff only as we have very limited spots to accommodate all who work in our school.

Please refrain from leaving your vehicle unattended in the drop off and pick up lane.

Exercise caution when driving near the school, adhere to posted speed limits, and follow drop-off/pick-up procedures to ensure everyone's safety.

School Calendar

September 2 nd , 2025	School Reopens Gr 1 - 7 Students Attend 10:00am – 11:00am Kindergarten Students Check-in 10:00am - 10:30am
September 19 th	Terry Fox Run
September 23 rd	Individual Photo Day
September 25 th	Meet the Teacher
September 26 th	Orange Shirt Day
September 29 th	Non-Instructional Day
September 30 th	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Statutory Holiday)
October 13 th	Thanksgiving Day (Statutory Holiday)
October 24 th	Non-Instructional Day
October 31 st	Halloween Parade
November 3 rd	Individual Photo Retakes
November 10 th	Non-Instructional Day
November 11 th	Remembrance Day (Statutory Holiday)
November 18 th	Parent Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 1:28pm)
December 18 th	First Term Reports go home
December 19 th	Last day of school before Winter Break
December 22 nd – January 2 nd , 2026	Winter Break – School Closed
January 5 th	School Reopens
February 16 th	Family Day (Statutory Holiday)
February 20 th	Non-Instructional Day
February 25 th	Pink Shirt Day
March 12 th	Parent Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 1:28pm) Second Term Reports go home
March 13 th	Last day of School before Spring Break
March 16 th – March 27 th	Spring Break – School Closed
April 3 rd	Good Friday (Statutory Holiday)
April 6 th	Easter Monday (Statutory Holiday)
May 1 st	Non-Instructional Day
May 4 th	Class and Group Photos
May 18 th	Victoria Day (Statutory Holiday)
May 25 th	Non-Instructional Day
May 29 th	Early Dismissal at 1:28pm
June 25 th	Last Day of School (Early Dismissal at 1:28pm) Third Term Reports go home



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