

Kirkbride Elementary School

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School website: www.surreyschools.ca/schools/kirkbride

October 7, 2020

Mission Statement: The staff of Kirkbride Elementary School is committed to fostering positive, supportive relationships between students, parents and school personnel.

Dates to Remember:

October 12 Thanksgiving - No School

October 13 - 16 Interim Report #1

October 14 Individual Photo Day - Divisions 1 to 11

October 23 NO School - Pro D Day November 6 NO School - Pro D Day

November 12 NO School - Remembrance Day

November 17 Individual Photo Day - Divisions 12 to 17

Principal's Message

Our unique school year is well underway and it is time for me once again to encourage our parents to keep the lines of communication open. As it gets very busy at the school, we rely on you to contact us if you have any "burning questions/thoughts", etc. It is through open, honest, and respectful dialogue that we are able to stay focused on what really matters - the children! There will always be occasions when parents, students, and staff may not feel heard, feel misunderstood or just plain confused about something. These are the times that communication is essential. If each of us makes a commitment to trying to understand all perspectives, dealing directly with the person the issue relates to and keeping an open mind rather than looking to blame, we will all benefit. Whether it's a quick phone call, an email, or note dropped in to your child's planner, we will endeavor to respond as quickly as possible.

Please note that our breakfast program begins at 8:00 am and students who wish to receive a breakfast should come no later than 8:15 am.

In an effort to keep our hallways safe and to teach our younger, primary aged children independence and responsibility, we ask that all parents and adult caregivers drop their child(ren) off at the outside door of their classroom. We ask that you NOT come into the classrooms. Your child(ren) are capable of getting themselves ready for the school day when they enter the classroom, and not letting them do so does not foster their independence nor build their self-esteem.

COVID Reminders

- Parents/guardians are expected to complete daily health checks of their children. See our website
 or this <u>link for more information</u>. Please do not send children to school if they are sick or unwell.
- Students are encouraged to wearing masks anytime they are outside of their learning group, students may choose to wear a mask at any time.
- Parents and guardians are asked NOT to enter the building unless it's an emergency. We ask that you call or email us with questions. All visitors must have an appointment, must sign in at the office, and must leave a contact number.
- Lunches and snacks need to brought with students at the beginning of the day and not dropped off for students.
- All adults need to maintain physical distance at all times while on our school grounds even if you are usually in each other's "bubbles". Students are not to make physical contact with each other.
- Students will be going outside for recess and lunch every day, regardless of the weather. Please make sure your child has the appropriate clothing at school.

Pick Up/Drop Off (safe arrival)

- Our drop off area is for **quick drop offs and pick ups only**. Cars are not to be parked or left unattended in the drop off area.
- There is to be no drop off or parking in our parking lots.
- Students are expected to walk on the side walk and cross the road at the crosswalk only.

Staff List for 2020-2021

Div. 1	Grade 6/7 Ms. S. Devji	Social Development: Mr. T. Johal, Ms. N. Nguyen
Div. 2	Grade 6/7 Ms. P. Randhawa	LST: Mr. C. Bentley, Mr. J. Copley, Ms. Nanda,
Div. 3	Grade 5/6 Mr. M. Armstrong	Ms. Basi, Ms. Grewal
Div. 4	Grade 5 Ms. S. Fedder	Counsellor: Mr. S. Wohlgemuth
Div. 5	Grade 3/4 Mr. D. Chan	Music: Mr. R. Sheffield
Div. 6	Grade 3/4 Mr. D. Athwal	Library: Ms. J. Roberts
Div. 7	Grade 3 Ms. C. Martin	French: Ms. N. Sy
Div. 8	Grade 2 Ms. K.Greschner	Education Assistants/ ABA SW: Ms. W. Stevenson,
Div. 9	Grade 1/2 Ms. D. Gill	Ms. M. Lal, Ms. S. Lewis, Ms. J. Morrison, Ms. J. Motz
Div. 10	Grade 1 Ms. C. Runa	Ms. S. Dhillon, Ms. H. Higgs, Ms. K. Nelson,
Div. 11	Grade K Ms. G. Spencer	Ms. P. Mahil, Ms. N. Quannatain
Div. 12	Grade 6/7 Ms. S. Sahota	Office Clerks: Ms. N. Machado
Div. 13	Grade 5/6 Ms. T. Ayles	Childcare Worker: Ms. B. Kidds
Div. 14	Grade 4/6 Ms. R. Aldus	Band Teacher: Mr. D. Shaw
Div. 15	Grade 2/3 Ms. A. Miller	Daytime Custodian: Mr. T. Wilkinson
Div. 16	Grade 1/2 Ms. M. Sandhu	Evening Custodians: Mr. S. Mann, Mr. H. Molazo
Div. 17	Grade K/1 Mrs. R. Stovern/J. Roberts	

School Lunch Program: Ms. D. Nermo

Community Schools Facilitator: Mr. B. Waddell

Supervisory Aides: Ms. B. Hale, Ms. S. Atkar, Ms. M. Keber, Ms. D.

Mann, Ms. R. Kumra

Terry Fox Run

We have collected 60.00 so far from our Terry Fox Run. This money will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research. You can still donate at www.terryfox.ca/kirkbride. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

School Learning Focus

For the 2020-2021 school year, we are also continuing to use C (cooperate), A (achieve), R (respect), and E (empathize) to further develop our students' abilities to deal with peer victimization by giving them strategies to be pro-active in their interactions.

Scent Free Environment

Please note that our school is a Scent Free environment.

Nut Awareness School

We are a nut allergy awareness school. This means that we have several students who have life-threatening allergies. Many of these students carry an EpiPen and have a nut allergy and can go into anaphylactic shock very quickly. We are trying to make our school environment safe for these students by making sure that s/he is not accidentally exposed to any products containing nuts.

School Web Site

Please check out our website as it has information about upcoming events as well as you can sign up for receiving our newsletter online. Go to www.surreyschools.ca/schools/kirkbride. Under "Email List", enter your email and submit.

We will no longer be sending out printed copies of the newsletter. We will be sending it out by email. We will have copies at the office if you would prefer a printed copy.

School Meal Program

If you wish your child to be part of our school meal program, please complete a form each month.

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.



Extra Change of Clothes

With the wet season coming upon us, please make sure to dress your child in the appropriate attire (raincoat, boots, jacket, etc.)

Goodbye to Ms. Negraeff

Ms. Negraeff, one of the secretaries in the office, has taken another position at a different school. Her last day was Friday, October 2. We wish Ms. Negraeff all the best and thanks.

