

# NORTH RIDGE ELEMENTARY

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## PALS

(Parents as Literacy Supporters) Preschool Buddies Program

At North Ridge Elementary School

2016/2017

Attention all 3-4 year olds. North Ridge will be hosting 5 PALS sessions this year and 1 Ready, Set, Learn session. PALS and Ready, Set, Learn are Surrey school district programs for parents and their 3 and 4 year old children. It is designed to build the connection between home and school and to get ready for kindergarten. Each session focuses on early literacy and numeracy skills through games, activities and songs. Families will take home a goodie bag, books, as well as ideas and strategies to support their children with literacy development. This is a parent participation program so all parents are required to stay throughout the sessions. Sessions will be from 8:35 a.m. - 10:45 a.m., in the school library.

The following is a list of the dates for both programs:

**Session 1:** Fri, Dec. 9

**Session 2:** Fri, Jan. 13

**Session 3:** Fri, Feb. 3

**Session 4:** Fri, Mar. 3

**Session 5:** Fri, April 7

**Ready, Set, Learn:** Fri, May 12 \*different time: 1-2 pm

Each session includes:

- Fun activities for parents/caregivers to do with their preschooler
- Snack time
- Time for parents to learn new ways to help their children learn
- Stories and songs
- A take home bag full of things to do and use at home such as a tool kit with scissors, pencils, glue, a book and materials related to the session activities (magnetic letters, markers, etc.)

PALS is a great way for young children to become more comfortable and confident at school and to get ready for kindergarten. And PALS is completely **FREE!**

**If you are interested in being a part of this program, please pre-register by calling the school office at 604-599-3900. You will be required to give your child's name and age, plus a phone number where you can be reached. Space is limited, so please register early.**