



## École Élémentaire MARTHA CURRIE Elementary School

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To the Parents/Guardians of Martha Currie Students,

As we are getting more information about September school-start, we wanted to share it with you and keep you aware. We shared significant information on our Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> Update. If you have not read it, please do so asap! As you already know from our last update, parents now have an option aside from sending your child(ren) to school for face-to-face learning.

### **Blended Model:**

-If you choose to sign up for this, here is the link (again):

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=z-m0CBOBDUK6B1L31N-KzQo9oGcByppIly2iBVxbDO1URjQ5STNaV1ZaRElJTjI2UFZBUU9DNERIVS4u>

-Registration must be done by 4:00pm on Sept. 8

-*If it helps you to understand this model*, please think of it as its own division. These students (in a multi-grade) will be assigned one teacher (or a job-share). The same teacher is the one who will meet with these students for the optional afternoon sessions.

-The number of students in this program will determine whether it is a Martha Currie teacher who teaches the program or if it is a close-by neighbourhood teacher. Either way, your child(ren) will still be enrolled as Martha Currie students. They will have the option for a full return to in-school learning on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

-For our French students, this *does* hold your spot in the French Immersion program, as these students will be taught by a French teacher.

-We are still waiting confirmation about which days will be the scheduled face-to-face optional afternoons.

### **Health and Safety Updates:**

Our school did a fantastic job of keeping clean in June. Here is some of what you can expect:

-General cleaning/disinfecting will be daily.

-Frequently touched surfaces (hand railings, toilet handles, tables, chairs, etc.) will be cleaned disinfected twice/day, including at least once during the school day

-Custodians will be in every class approximately 10 minutes/day to disinfect

-Custodians will 'fog' rooms with the "Clorox 360 Electrostatic Sprayer"

-there is no bleach in this

-it is considered safe and is used by hospitals

-it is a disinfectant that attracts to all bare surfaces

-this will be done each evening when students are not present

-If students or staff develop any COVID symptoms:

a) at home, do NOT come to school, or

b) at school, that person will be provided a mask to wear, and separate area (ie: Medical Room)

to wait for pickup

-once at home, they are to follow the advice of a health-care provider (8-1-1 or a doctor to determine when it is reasonable to come back to school

**Important Scheduling Update:**

On *Monday, Sept, 14 (only)*, Intermediate students will not start school until 9:05am. So:

\*Kindergarten- you will see Gradual Entry Information

\*Grades 1, 2 & 3 – Please be at school at 8:30am. School starts at 8:35.

\*Grades 4, 5, 6 & 7- Please be at school at 9:00am. School starts at 9:05.

-Locations will be updated later.

-Starting on Tuesday, Sept. 15, grades 1-7 will all start at 8:35am.

**Parents in School:**

For the safety of all concerned, visitors will NOT be allowed inside the school without an appointment. This means that you may not drop off lunches, etc. If your child is late, you may accompany him/her to the door, but please do not enter.

**Before and After School Care:**

-The City of Surrey runs a BASC program at Martha Currie and *does* plan on providing this care starting in the week of Sept. 14. If parents would like more information, please contact Melissa Collins at 604-598-7987 or [mmcollins@surrey.ca](mailto:mmcollins@surrey.ca) .

We will continue to update you as we get more information.

Sincerely,

Bobby Samra and Rachel Ladd  
(Principal) (Vice-Principal)