

Community News Flash #16

December 4th, 2020



Important Dates:

Thursday, December 3rd - 18th

Sunday, December 6th

Friday, December 11th

Wednesday, December 16th

- 12 Days of Giving Food Drive

- Gift Card Orders Due

- 11:45 - Early Dismissal

- PAC Online Movie Night

- Term 1 Reports Sent Home

- PAC Meeting 7:00pm

Principal Message

Thank you to all of our families who completed the Blended Learning survey which closed last Friday, Nov. 27th. Of our 140 Rosemary students in Surrey Blended, seven students plan to return to the Regular Program. This information is very helpful for our January planning.

We are fortunate at Rosemary Heights to largely be able to maintain our current class organization and teacher assignments for the remainder of the school year. Some minor adjustments will be made to a few class placements to accommodate the small number of students who desire a program change, but most of our Rosemary students will not move classes or change teachers in January. If your child is impacted by a program or class change, the school or teacher will be in touch with you prior to Dec. 14th.

All of our staff are pleased to be able to offer continuity of staffing and programming during these uncertain times.

David Dekerf
Principal



A Message from Jordan Tinney

This week's video is designed to do a few things:

- Acknowledge that we're all thinking about those from Cambridge who just spent 2 weeks in isolation and those at Newton who are just starting theirs;
- Talk about the 2 Environmental Health Assessments that we've done with Fraser Health - we've learned a lot;
- Remind us about what's important in the protocols;
- Put the number of Notices of Exposure in perspective; and
- Talk about vigilance and hope.

The video is here: <https://vimeo.com/485572687>

Please take care, stay well and thank you for all you do.

Jordan

Early Dismissal

Friday, December 11th is a District Wide early dismissal day. Rosemary students will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m. on this day.

Staff will be:

- finalizing our minor student placement changes
- communicating with families, as needed
- working on programming and planning
- reviewing Health & Safety protocols

The 12 Days of Giving

These suggestions are identified as the "Most Needed Items" by the Surrey Food Bank.

Should you prefer, cash donations are gratefully accepted through SchoolCash Online.

The Surrey Food Bank can stretch our spending as it has 4 times the purchasing power.



December

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | | | <p style="text-align: right;">3rd</p> <p>On the First Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canned Fruit</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">4th</p> <p>On the Second Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canned Vegetables</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">7th</p> <p>On the Third Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canned Meat or Fish</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">8th</p> <p>On the Fourth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Whole Grain Rice or Legumes</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">9th</p> <p>On the Fifth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meals in a Tin (such as Stew or Pork n' Beans)</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">10th</p> <p>On the Sixth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pasta & Sauce</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">11th</p> <p>On the Seventh Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Healthy Canned Soups</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">14th</p> <p>On the Eighth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Baby Formula (Large cans)</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">15th</p> <p>On the Ninth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Diapers (size 4-6)</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">16th</p> <p>On the Tenth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Canned Meat or Fish</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">17th</p> <p>On the Eleventh Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pasta & Pasta Sauce</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">18th</p> <p>On the Twelfth Day of Caring...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Baby Jar Food (Fruit, Meals & Vegetables)</p> |



It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas

The school is starting to gear up for the holidays and some of your kids may have already noticed our new Christmas Tree in the foyer. This brand new tree, it's lights, ornaments and garlands were all donated to the school by Dan Higgins, the owner of the Southpoint Canadian Tire.

He did not want any recognition, but we wanted to make sure Rosemary families knew of his generosity and eagerness to help us spread some holiday cheer!

Last Tuesday, he opened his store up early to some of our Rosemary students so they can have a private shopping experience and pick out all the decorations. Mr. Higgins first opened that store 20 years ago, and lives just blocks from the school... and he is hoping to make this a yearly event! So if you find yourself in Canadian Tire, please make a point to say thank you!

Rainbow Impressions



Journal Writing

To me this rainbow represents comfort. I feel safe when there is a rainbow above us, almost like it is protecting us. Rainbows bring positivity with their bright or faded colours "swatched" up in the sky. I feel happiness looking up at a rainbow. It brings me hope and joy when I know this could be the start of something new. Looking up high in the sky and coming across a rainbow brings me peace and comfort. Right now, we really need some good things in life during this pandemic.

Written by McKenna N., Division 4

I believe rainbows are a sign of hope. Hope for better days and a different perspective in life. Rainbows show that we can do anything. They can show peace and love or a bridge to opportunity. An opportunity to do something wonderful for the world. This arc can show us joy in something so beautiful and colourful. Rainbows can represent YOU.

Written by Aanya S., Division 4

RAINBOW

A bridge appears across the sky,
With strips of ocean blue.
Amber yellow shines away.

Dreamy white is on the end,
Like mysterious clouds that bend.

Is it a fairy walks down the bridge?
Who brings light to children.

Stormy black darkens the sky,
But one thing it does not darken
Is the colourful bridge.

By Hannah J. from Division 19



Veer V. Rainbow (Division 22, Grade 1)



**" Rainbow warms my heart."
Chloe C., Division 22**



Teachers,
coaches, the
babysitter,
stocking
stuffers for
your tweens!

Perfect
contactless
gifts for your
staff or boss

Easy to send in
the mail to
people outside
your bubble

145 vendors to
choose from

ALL ORDERS DUE
DEC. 6TH

GIFT CARDS WILL
BE READY FOR
PICKUP ON
DEC. 16TH

GIFTING GIFT CARDS FUNDRAISER

Do you have someone on your list that is impossible to buy for? Well here you go!

This is a 3-step ordering process:

1. Create a "supporter" account
2. Start adding gift cards to your cart
3. Checkout and then email transfer the total

to rosemaryheightsfund@gmail.com

**Your order will not be complete until you email transfer your owing balance.

TO SHOP: bit.ly/RosemaryGiftCards Please

share this link and share the love!

If you have any questions, or need help with your order contact:

rosemaryheightspac@gmail.com

Thank you for your support, Rosemary

Heights Elementary PAC

Daily Health Check

| Key Symptoms of Illness* | Does your child have any of the following key symptoms? | Circle one | |
|--------------------------|---|------------|----|
| | | YES | NO |
| | Fever | YES | NO |
| | Chills | YES | NO |
| | Cough or worsening of chronic cough | YES | NO |
| | Shortness of breath | YES | NO |
| | Loss of sense of smell or taste | YES | NO |
| | Diarrhea | YES | NO |
| | Nausea and vomiting | YES | NO |
| International Travel | Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days? | YES | NO |
| Confirmed Contact | Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19? | YES | NO |

*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to one of the questions included under 'Key Symptoms of Illness' (excluding fever), you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered "YES" to two or more of the questions included under 'Symptoms of Illness' or you have a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- If the COVID-19 test is **positive**, you should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- If the COVID-19 test is **negative**, you can return to school once symptoms have improved and you feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and your symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, you should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then you may return if you are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, you can return to school when symptoms improve and you feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you should seek testing for COVID-19.

A health-care provider note (i.e. a doctor's note) should not be required to confirm the health status of any individual.

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