

COMMUNITY NEWS FLASH #40

JUNE 18TH, 2021



IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, June 21st

- National Indigenous Peoples Day

- Lost and Found will be placed outside

Tuesday, June 22nd

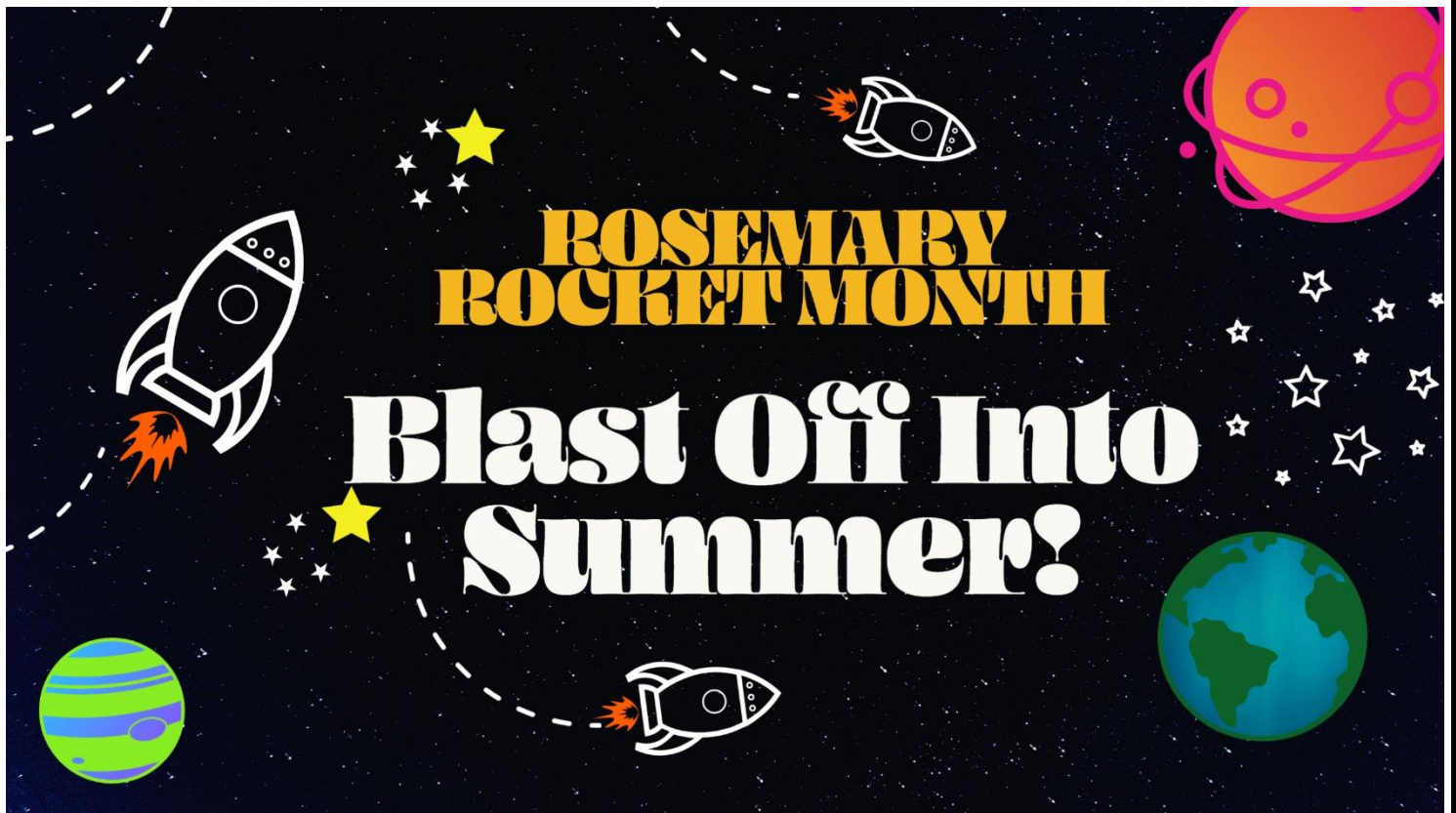
- 3:00pm Virtual Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony

Wednesday, June 23rd

- Crazy Hair Day

Thursday, June 24th

- Last Day of Classes



LOST and FOUND

Items will be placed outside the main entrance after school on Monday June 21st.



Parent / Caregivers & PAC Appreciation Message

It is with deep gratitude that we acknowledge our wonderful Rosemary parents / caregivers and PAC as we come to the end of this exceptional 2021 school year!

It certainly has been a time like no other, when staff, students and parents adjusted to life, learning, and leading during a global pandemic.

We appreciate the many ways in which Rosemary caregivers continued to support student learning and wellbeing during this challenging year.

Caregivers supported our school by sharing...

- emotional, social and academic support for all children
- dedication to our Surrey Blended and Regular programs
- respect and compassion for all Rosemary staff
- flexibility during ever changing protocols and expectations
- support for Provincial, District and school-based decisions
- financial support and outreach to families impacted by COVID-19
- continued support for our sister school, James Ardiel
- creative and virtual fundraising to support our school and beyond
- virtual learning opportunities for families
- support and celebration with our grade 7 students
- smiles, kind gestures and gratitude
- fun and optimism!

We want to extend special thanks to our amazingly creative, conscientious and caring PAC executive. This group went above and beyond to support our Rosemary community!

Executive Members 2019/2020:

Co-Presidents: Sharon Geransky & Tara McIntosh

Treasurer: Miyoung Tereposky

Secretary: Sarah Sutherland

Hot Lunch: Gayla Cook & Jaclyn Finan

DPAC: Curtis Soong

Members at Large: Stephanie Castle, Shayna Dumas, Daniel De Regt, Sasha Dzanic

Past-Presidents: Laura Folino & Joanna Wates

Sincerely,

David Dekerf

Principal @ Rosemary Heights Elem.

Thank You 

National Indigenous Peoples Day – June 21



This June 21, 2021 is the national 25th anniversary of celebrating the heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding achievements of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples!

Here is an opportunity for you to celebrate and honour this day at home.

Tune in to to [FRAFCA Facebook Live](#) and [FRAFCA YouTube Live](#), on June 21 for Surrey's National Indigenous Peoples Day Virtual Celebration:

·Kids Show: 10:50AM-11:30AM

·**Main Event: 6:00PM-7:30PM**

Hosted by the Local Land Based Nations, Semiahmoo, Kwantlen and Katzie First Nations, Surrey's National Indigenous Peoples Day is an opportunity to acknowledge and show respect and admiration for Indigenous Peoples past, present and future; to share cultural history; and to share spirit, experiences, stories, song, art and dance with each other and the community.

The virtual broadcast will include cultural sharing from Semiahmoo, Kwantlen, Katzie First Nations, and Nova Métis with teachings and practice through art, music, storytelling, and dance.

We look forward to bringing you:

- The Wild Moccasin Dancers, (Shyama-Priya and David Whitebean)
- Stars of the North Drum Group, (LaDonna Wiks-Joseph name by Wata)
- XiQuelem, (Eugene Harry)
- Brown Bear Woman, (Candace Hill Trevena)
- JB the First Lady, (Jerilynn Webster)
- Métis Jigging (Madelaine McCallum)

And More!

DISTRICT NEWS

[B.C. gov't anticipates 'near-normal return' for students in September](#)

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Full-time in-class instruction and the elimination of cohorts are on the horizon for the 2021-22 school year as [the Ministry of Education announced Thursday an anticipated "near-normal return"](#) to school life for students, parents, teachers and staff in September with its [K-12 Recovery Plan](#).

"Our students, parents and staff have waited a long time for this moment, and we are excited to see a return to a more normal way of life in our classrooms, our schools and our communities," said Surrey Board of Education Chair Laurie Larsen. "It is because of their hard work, effort and vigilance throughout the past year that the province is able to make this announcement today, and we thank you for your dedication to the health and safety of everyone in our schools."

As the B.C. Restart Plan continues to unfold amid high vaccination rates and low school-based transmissions, the provincial government announced that students across the province can expect to learn in classrooms full time and no longer be grouped into cohorts.

Guidance on mask usage in school settings will be determined later this summer, in alignment with broader provincial direction for the fall and winter. Students will still be required to practice frequent hand hygiene, complete [daily health checks](#) and stay home if they are feeling sick. Public health teams and school health officers will continue to monitor and track COVID-19 cases in schools and the community, and provide support and guidance with the return in the fall.

In the summer, the provincial K-12 education steering committee, the Ministry and the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) will review and finalize school safety plans for the fall. The current [Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#) will be replaced by updated guidelines in August.

For more information, please see the following links:

- [Provincial news release announcing plans for September](#)
- [BCCDC Outlook for 2021-22 School Year](#)

PAC Secretary needed

The PAC is looking for a secretary next year. The main duties are coordinating and communicating with the class parents, taking minutes during PAC meetings, sending a weekly (or as needed) email with PAC updates to class parents, posting news on the PAC Facebook page, communicating with the school secretary and answering any questions that come from parents. Knowledge of the school and its systems is an asset but not required. You can learn as you go and you will get to know lots of people very quickly. Excellent communication (written and verbal) and organizational skills are the key attributes to have for this position. If you are interested, please email rosemaryheightspac@gmail.com.

Yearbook 2021

The yearbooks have arrived and once again they look fabulous. The books will be distributed directly to those students who have ordered them during the afternoon of Friday, June 18.

The Yearbook Committee

Rob Lightbody

Grade 7

Rosemary Heights Elementary

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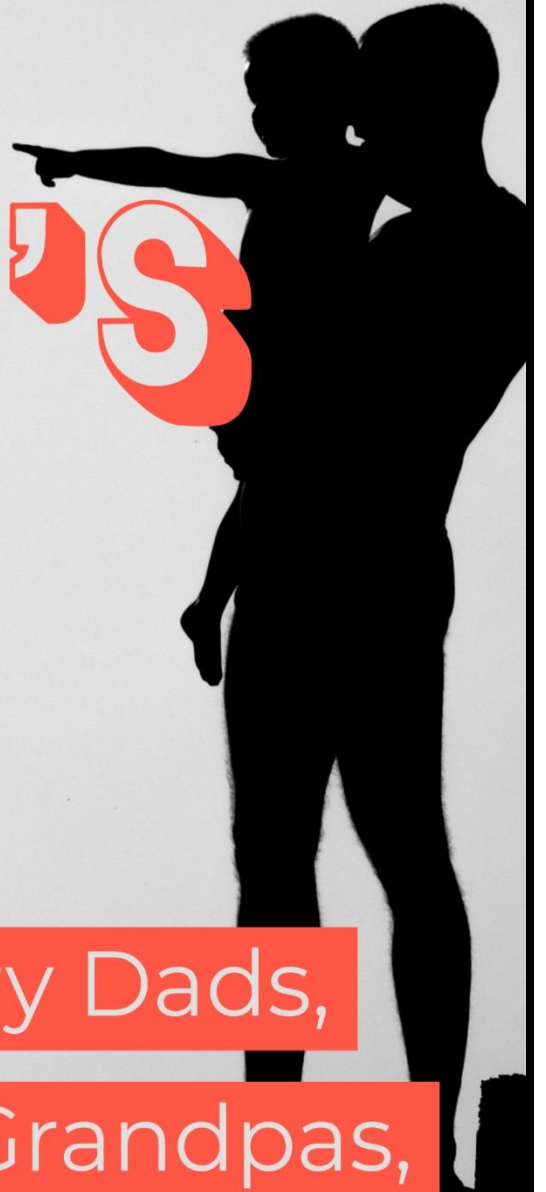
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ACHIEVEMENTS

We are pleased to let you know that Chloe in Grade 1 (Div.22) has been chosen as one of the Surrey Slow Streets Sign Design contest winners! Her design will be placing around Rosemary Heights neighbourhood. We are just so thrilled to share this good news with you!



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



To all the Rosemary Dads,

Step-Dads, Uncles, Grandpas,

and all male figures

stepping up to the plate!



DAILY HEALTH CHECK

KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C)	<p>If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and get a health assessment.</p> <p>Contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
Chills	
Cough	
Difficulty breathing	
Loss of sense of smell or taste	
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Sore throat	<p>If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.</p>
Loss of appetite	
Headache	<p>If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours.</p> <p>If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
Body aches	
Extreme fatigue or tiredness	
Nausea and vomiting	
Diarrhea	
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:	WHAT TO DO
Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	<p>If yes: All students and staff who have travelled outside of Canada are required to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival under both provincial and federal orders.</p> <p>This includes students who are attending school from abroad. Students from outside of Canada should plan to arrive in Canada at least two weeks before they are scheduled to attend school to adhere to the self-quarantine orders. Additional information is available here.</p>
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
Have you been contacted by public health and notified that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	<p>If yes: Please follow the instructions provided by Public Health.</p> <p>You can call 8-1-1 anytime to get advice about how you are feeling and what to do next. Pay attention to how you are feeling. If it becomes harder to breathe, you can't drink anything or feel much worse, seek urgent medical care at an urgent care clinic or emergency department.</p>

Check your symptoms with the [K-12 Health Check](#). If you have any questions, or the symptoms get worse, contact your healthcare provider, or call 8-1-1. For more information on COVID-19, please go to www.bccdc.ca. If you develop severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing (e.g. struggling to breathe or speaking in single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.



SURREY SCHOOLS

Spread the word! We need...



SUPERVISION AIDES NEEDED NOW

Can you, or someone you know, help to provide supervision for children?

Supervision Aides work one hour per day (5 days per week, preferably) to provide supervision to elementary and secondary students during their lunch break. Pay rate is \$22.21 per hour.

Ideal for those retired individuals or adults who relate well to children, and youth, and are seeking part-time employment.

Preference given to those individuals available daily (Monday to Friday).

For more information, and to apply online, please visit
www.surreyschools.ca/careers