## September 29, 2020 Newsletter

# North Ridge Elementary

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#### MS.EPPELE AND REDDING'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the staff at North Ridge Elementary, we would like to extend an enthusiastic welcome back to our students and families. It has been such a long time that we have been all together. We missed all our families so much and it feels so good to be back together again. This fall we have 6 blended classes and 16 full time face-to-face classes. This means we have grown an extra division and we have Ms. Ichiki's Grade 5/6 class located in our gym. We are awaiting their new portable, which will be our fourth at North Ridge!

We would like you to know that, as always, we are your partners in your child's education and we highly value your ongoing communication with us. Covid rules have caused us to lock our front door throughout the day but we are still steadfastly committed to working together with you and your child. We look forward to chatting with you in the mornings and during after school times. Parents, staff and school administration are all part of the same team who work hard to support your child. Don't hesitate to give Ms. Eppele or me a call and we will get back to you if not right away, the same day for sure. Once again, welcome to North Ridge for the 2020-2021 school year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Eppele Vice Principal Mr. Redding, Principal

#### 2020~2021 \*\* NEW \*\* BELL SCHEDULE

8:25 8:30 10:20 - 10:35 11:30 - 11:45 11:45 - 12:30 12:30	Welcome Bell Classes Begin Recess Begins Curricular Eating Time Outside play Time Classes Begin Studente Diamigeed
2:30	Students Dismissed





#### OFFICE HOURS

8:00 am – 3:30 pm

#### Office Staff:

Mrs. Pauline Grigoletto and Ms. Carly Favero

#### Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, we would appreciate it if you would phone before 9:00 a.m. to let us know. We have a call home policy to ensure student safety on the way to and from school and if we are not informed of a student absence, our secretary must spend a great deal of time calling student homes. We do have an answering machine to leave a message if you are calling during non-school hours. The school phone number is 604~599~3900.

### NORTH RIDGE 2020-21 STAFF

Ma Damman	01
Ms. Rasmussen	Classroom Teacher
Mr. Pitre	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Wong	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. Targerson	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Ichiki	Classroom Teacher
Mr. Docksteader	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Han	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Sidhu	Classroom Teacher
Mr. Mujcin	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Hua	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. R. Campbell/Ms. Judge	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. Johal	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. E. Campbell	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. McLeod/Ms. Peterson	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. Leung/Ms. Kurk	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Mawhinney	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Landis	Classroom Teacher
Mr. Gibson	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Smith	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. McCauley	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. Krajnc	Classroom Teacher
Mrs. Sahota	Classroom Teacher
Ms. Elfstrom	Library
Ms. Feuring	Music Teacher
Mr. Penner	Band Teacher
Ms. Eppele	Intermediate PREP Teacher
Ms. Bakshi	Learning Support Teacher
Ms. Fleming	Learning Support Teacher
Ms. Jawanda	Learning Support Teacher
Ms. Wells	Learning Support Teacher
Ms. Young	Learning Support Teacher
Mrs. Cordukes	Integration Support Teacher
Mrs. Corduces Ms. Peterson	Integration Support Teacher
Ms. Genschorek	Counsellor
Mr. Lee	Child Care Worker
Ms. Boyd	EA
Ms. Connolly	EA
Ms. Fisher	EA2
Ms. Johal	EA
Ms. Lynch	EA
Ms. Madan	EA
Ms. Ogilvy	EA
Ms. Pashan	EA
Ms. Perpose	EA2
Ms. Russell	EA
Ms. Sahota	EA
Ms. Sangha	EA
Ms. Sarte	ABA
Ms. Thind	EA2
Ms. Wilson	EA
Mrs. Grigoletto	Head Clerk
Ms. Favero	Office Clerk
Mr. Redding	Principal
Ms. Eppele	Vice-Principal
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#### SAFETY PROTOCOLS

We have put many Covid safety protocols in place to keep us as safe as possible. Below is a list of some of the main safety procedures and strategies:

- High touch surfaces cleaned twice a day by our new daytime custodian
- Daily messages and teaching focus about safety rules inside and outside
- Clorox 360 antibacterial fogging machine that cleans all exposed hard surfaces every evening
- Assemblies, inter-school sports teams, school-wide performances have been postponed at this time
- Staff and students are the only ones allowed in the building each day
- Spaced out tape marks line-up areas outside washrooms and water fountains
- Students are encouraged to use water bottles instead of sipping from the fountain
- Teachers lead classes into the building and out of the building to prevent congestion
- Students are practicing a no-touch policy while playing outdoors

#### STUDENT PLANNERS

Some classes will be ordering planners this school year. If your class is using planners, they will be handed out by your child's teacher in the next couple of weeks. The planners cost \$5 each. Please bring the \$5 to your teacher.

#### HONOURING OUR STUDENTS

Although we cannot have assemblies for a while, we still highly value recognizing and honoring student successes. We will continue our STAR Awards and stay tuned for updates regarding the Read For Gold Program.

#### RUNNING FOR TERRY

We held our annual Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday September 29<sup>th</sup>. Our run this year had staggered times so that each class or cohort could run safely on their own! It was still a wonderful community event that celebrated the life of one of Canada's greatest heroes and, more importantly, taught students about courage, determination and respect. Jaytin from Division 9 ran an incredible 5 laps, Tarun from Division 1 ran a phenomenal 6 laps, Tihara in Div. 15 ran 4 amazing laps and Seerat in Div. 8 ran 5 outstanding laps in their 15 minute run slots. Way to go North Ridge runners!!!

#### PARENTS AS PARTNERS

If you ask your child how their day was and they just respond, "Good", here are a few more questions that might help start a reflective chat about their learning:

- Tell me two things you learned today.
- Can you teach me one thing you learned at school, today?
- What was your favorite part of the day? What was your least favorite part? Why?
- Who are your friends in class?
- •. What did you do at recess and lunch?
- •. How did you help someone today?





#### ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Surrey School District does not insure for expenses incurred if a student is injured on school grounds or during school activities, and the Medical Services Plan (MSP) is limited and does not cover all of the charges. However, families have the opportunity to purchase private accident insurance through the IAP Kids Plus<sup>™</sup> Accident Insurance program, underwritten by Industrial-Alliance Pacific Life Insurance. The plan's features include:

- Coverage 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, in or out of school
- Coverage of expenses that are limited, or not insured under private or group insurance plans or MSP, including private tutors, lump sum payment for fractures and dislocations, counselling, rehabilitation and more
- Coverage of injury-related dental work, including future expenses
- Fully-transferable insurance from school-to-school anywhere in Canada
- Optional premium plans cover babysitting costs or a teen's wages from a part time job, should a student be homebound due to injuries

For more information and to apply, visit www.iapkidsplus.com

#### PAC NEWS

COBS Bread in Panorama Marketplace (near the Dollarama just off 152 St and Hwy 10) is currently giving a 10% donation back to the school on all sales! You just have to mention that you are *raising dough for North Ridge* at the time of purchase. Thanks for supporting North Ridge!

## SAFETY

#### STUDENT DROP OFF and NEW CROSS WALK

Our staff parking lot is a "NO STUDENT DROP OFF" area. Please park in the designated areas on the surrounding streets. A healthy alternative is to walk to school with your child. Thank you for helping to keep our students safe.

We are thrilled to have a new crosswalk on 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in front of the school. If you live or park on the south side of 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, please use this crosswalk!

# Welcome Back!

# Upcoming Events

Sept 30 Orange Shirt Day

Oct 8 Individual Photos

Oct 9 Early Dismissal 1:30 pm (Teacher Planning)

> Oct 12 Thanksgiving

Oct 22 Early Dismissal 1:30 pm (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

Oct. 23 Non-Instructional Day