
September 2020

Hjorth Road Elementary

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Principal: Mrs. L. Chambers

Head Clerk: Mrs. Randle

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome back our Hjorth Road families and send a warm greeting to the numerous families who have recently registered at our school. Along with a number of new students, we are welcoming many new staff members who have joined our team. We are very excited to get the school year under way and are looking forward to supporting our students and families at Hjorth for the 2020/2021 school year. These are unprecedented times, but I know our community will work together to provide our students the safest and best experience possible this year.

I would like to thank you for your patience as we were faced with the challenge of determining our exact enrollment in both face-to-face instruction and our new blended learning program. The class organization process was extremely complex this year and we worked incredibly hard to make the best possible educational decision for each child while maintaining our new health and safety protocols from the Ministry of Education and the Provincial Health Officer. We appreciate your patience and understanding while this valuable process took place.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Lisa Chambers

Our Classes are Finalized

This week your child found out who their teacher will be for the 2020/2021 school year. Organizing classes to best meet the needs of all students is a complex process. We strive to create balanced classes that focus on students' learning strengths and the needs of the whole child.

Research has shown that combined classes:

- * allow students to learn from one another
- * provide models for younger students
- * help older students see what they have already learned



Upcoming Events

September 25

Terry Fox Run in Learning Cohorts

September 28

Non-Instructional Day
School Closed

September 30

Orange Shirt Day

October 1

Meet the Staff Video



- * provide opportunities for a greater range of learning
- * encourage students to work together
- * promote social responsibility
- * help students to become independent
- * foster a positive attitude toward school

Students in combined classes are not held back to the level of younger students, nor are they expected to handle work beyond their ability. In every classroom, there is a wide range of skills and abilities. Children mature at different rates in various aspects of development. Teachers are aware of these individual differences and structure learning activities according to the needs of each learner.

Children learn continually; their intellectual, social and personal development does not occur in discrete steps according to grade level. Studies have found that on average, a single-grade class includes students whose development spans five years. The developmental range in a combined class is not significantly different.

Hjorth Road Staff 2020/2021

Enrolling Teachers

Div. 1	Ms. Hamed	Grade 7	<i>Cohort 1</i>
Div. 2	Ms. Dekerf	Grade 4,5,6,7 Blended	<i>Cohort 6</i>
Div. 3	Ms. Guraliuk	Grade 6	<i>Cohort 1</i>
Div. 4	Mr. Hanna	Grade 4/5	<i>Cohort 2</i>
Div. 5	Ms. Gau & Ms. Marasa	Grade 4/5	<i>Cohort 2</i>
Div. 6	Ms. Dones	Grade 3/4	<i>Cohort 3</i>
Div. 7	Ms. Stewart & Ms. Horton	Grade 2/3 Blended	<i>Cohort 7</i>
Div. 8	Ms. Sarrazin	Grade 2/3	<i>Cohort 3</i>
Div. 9	Ms. D'Angelo	Grade 2	<i>Cohort 4</i>
Div. 10	Ms. Coft	Grade 1/2	<i>Cohort 4</i>
Div. 11	Ms. Henry	Grade 1	<i>Cohort 5</i>
Div. 12	Mr. Brown	K,1,2 Blended	<i>Cohort 8</i>
Div. 13	Ms. Litt	Kindergarten	<i>Cohort 5</i>
Div. 14	Ms. Vosper	Kindergarten	<i>Cohort 5</i>

Non-Enrolling Teachers

Learning Support Teacher	Mrs. Krasnoff, Mr. Lesum, Ms. Cinnamon, Mr. Sayani
Early Learning Teacher	Ms. Horton
Counsellor	Ms. Barker
Integration Support Teacher	Ms. Pennal, Ms. Cinnamon, Ms. Horton, Ms. Stewart and Mr. Sayani
Teacher Librarian / ADST	Ms. Lomanski
Music Teacher	Mr. Radke
Band Teacher	Mr. Smith
Speech Language Pathologist	Ms. Alexander
School Psychologist	Ms. Maior
Multicultural Worker (Arabic)	Ms. Al-Kozbary

Support Staff

Head Clerk	Mrs. Randle
Clerk	Mrs. Pisko
Head Custodian	Mr. Richard
Childcare Workers	Ms. Hovey and Mr. Doig
StrongStart Facilitator	Mrs. McKenzie
Outreach Workers	Ms. Mango & Mr. Jordan
Meal Program Coordinator	Ms. Devine
Education Assistants	Ms. Mawdsley, Ms. Richardson, Ms. Kanwar, Ms. Elam, Ms. Loshaj-Stojku, Ms. Aujla, Ms. Robinson, Ms. Rosengren, Ms. Austin, Ms. Shah, Ms. Nagra, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Batilante
Supervisory Aides	Ms. Caluag, Ms. Valentin, Ms. Dimacali, Ms. Mahboob, Mr. Richdale, Ms. Taiz

Celebrate Creativity, Courage and Collaboration!



Imagine the power and potential of millions of people around the world connecting, collaborating, creating and celebrating all that creativity inspires and invites. I hope you will join the growing global community of creativity champions using their talents, gifts and energy to move the world to a better place.

Daily Health Check

Please see attached updated daily health check provided by the Surrey School District. If your child has any symptom of illness on the daily health check, please do not send them to school. If your child is exhibiting any of the symptoms of illness on the daily health check at school we will call parents to pick up the child from school.