



# NORTH RIDGE ELEMENTARY

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Principal: Mrs. Tammy Stubbings

September 6, 2016

Office Hours  
8:00 am – 3:30 pm

Welcome back to a new school year. The first day of school is always an exciting time as we connect with our new and returning students. Our staff is looking forward to working with your children and has many plans in place for a great year of learning. The purpose of today's attendance is to confirm our initial enrolment for the upcoming school year. These numbers will be used to finalize class placements and we anticipate that students will move to their new classrooms as soon as the district approves our final organization.

This first week is a time for students to review school expectations, reconnect with staff and friends and to make all students feel part of our school community. Each day the students will meet in and be dismissed from their assigned grade level room. Students will be involved in a variety of activities with other classes, peers, and teachers throughout the week.

Decisions about yearly classroom placement are complex and very important for everyone! We try to group children into the class that provides the best possible learning environment for each child. The decisions are made after considering many criteria, including academic achievement, social skills, friendships, learning styles, degree of independence or dependence on the teacher for support, and the class sizes as determined by the Ministry of Education. The first week's activities will also give additional opportunity to observe students in action as we work to finalize placements for the year.

Tomorrow students in Grades 1 - 7 will report to their rooms at 8:30 am and will be dismissed at 2:28 pm. Kindergarten students will follow a gradual entry schedule that was provided to you at registration. Students will need to bring a recess snack and a lunch each day (we do not have extra food at the school for students who forget).

Again, on behalf of our staff and myself, we welcome you and look forward to working with you and your child throughout the year.

Mrs. Stubbings  
Principal

## Bell Schedule for 2016-2017

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| 8:30          | Welcome Bell                 |
| 8:35          | Morning Instruction begins   |
| 10:15 – 10:30 | Recess                       |
| 11:43 – 12:28 | Lunch                        |
| 12:28         | Afternoon Instruction begins |
| 2:28          | Dismissal                    |

## School Website

Our school website is updated regularly with information about the 2016-17 school year. You can find us through the district website under schools or you can access our website directly through [www.surreyschools.ca/northridge](http://www.surreyschools.ca/northridge)

This year we will be going paperless and all newsletters will be posted on the website. **This will be the last paper version newsletter.** To receive our newsletters and notices directly, please sign up via email through our school website. We will have students write in their planners the day the newsletters have been posted on our site. PAC and classroom notices will still come home in paper form, so please check your child's planner and/or backpack regularly.



## 2016-2017 School Staff

|                 |                             |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Mr. Manak       | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Rasmussen   | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mr. Dockstader  | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Han         | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Dutchak     | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Shackelford | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mr. Mujcin      | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Gall       | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Campbell   | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Tsuyuki     | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Johal      | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Leung      | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. McLeod     | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Nomura      | Classroom Teacher           |
| Ms. Gamble      | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Krajnc     | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Sahota     | Classroom Teacher           |
| Mrs. Elfstrom   | Library                     |
| Ms. Hutchinson  | Music and Band Teacher      |
| Ms. T. Campbell | French Teacher              |
| Mrs. Young      | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Mrs. Jawanda    | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Ms. E. Campbell | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Ms. Kurk        | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Ms. Wells       | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Ms. Yoshida     | Learning Support Teacher    |
| Ms. Cordukes    | Integration Support Teacher |
| Ms. Jamieson    | Counsellor                  |
| Ms. McCallister | Child Care Worker           |
| Mrs. Russell    | EA-ABA                      |
| Mrs. Robinson   | ABA-SW                      |
| Mrs. Fisher     | EA                          |
| Mrs. Penner     | EA                          |
| Ms. Boyd        | EA                          |
| Mrs. Grigoletto | Head Clerk                  |
| Mrs. Pratap     | Office Clerk                |
| Mrs. Stubbings  | Principal                   |

## School Supplies

Please do not send your child's school supplies until they are placed into permanent classes. For the first few days' teachers will provide the necessary supplies, or may ask students to bring in some basic supplies. If you pre-ordered your supplies from School Start, they have arrived at the school and will be handed out to the students once they are placed in classes. If you are needing to purchase your supplies, our supply lists are posted on our web-site or you can also place a late order through [schoolstart.ca](http://schoolstart.ca). In addition to the items on the lists, some teachers may request additional items throughout the year to support your child's learning.

## Allergy Awareness

Several of our students have severe anaphylactic reactions to peanuts, nuts, and their by-products. Including students with air-borne allergies to the above. Please help us in committing to do everything possible to protect these students. Ways to help include: not sending foods that contain peanuts or other nuts (almonds, walnuts, hazelnuts, pecans, cashews, etc.), remind your child to wash his/her hands carefully after eating, especially if there is an anaphylactic child in his/her classroom, remind your child not to share or trade snacks and do not use these products in any treats you are sending into the classrooms. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we continue to make our school a safe environment for all students. Please check the district website for more "Allergy Aware" information.

## Student Attendance

Regular attendance is an important part of your child's learning. This also includes arriving to school on time. The morning routine is an important part of the day where there is a lot of information given – including school announcements, shape of the day, upcoming events, etc. Missing this time can have an impact on your child's day and schooling.

If your child is going to be absent from school, we would appreciate it if you would please phone the school to let us know. You may leave a voicemail at any time. We have a call home program to ensure student safety on the way to school and, if we are not informed of student absences, the office staff must spend a great deal of time calling student homes. **The school phone number is 604-599-3900.** Students who are late must check in to the office to receive a welcome slip before proceeding to class.

We thank you in advance for your support with this.

## School Planners

School planners will be distributed to all grade 1 – 7 students once classes are finalized. Students will need to bring \$5 to cover the cost of their planner. The planner will be an important part of your child's school year and will be used to record important information home, share goals, but also a communication form between home and school.

## 2016-2017 Dates by Month

### September 2016

Sept 6 School Begins  
Sept 26 Pro-D – No School  
Sept 29 Terry Fox

### October 2016

Oct 4 Individual Student Photo Day  
Oct 10 Thanksgiving – No School  
Oct 19 Early Dismissal 1:28 – Parent Conferences/Goal Setting  
Oct 20 Early Dismissal 1:28 – Parent Conferences/Goal Setting  
Oct 21 Pro-D – No School  
Oct 31 Halloween

### November 2016

Nov 3 Photo Retakes  
Nov 4 Non-Instructional Day – Students do not attend school  
Nov 9 Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30  
Nov 10 Pro-D – No School  
Nov 11 Remembrance Day – No School

### December 2016

Dec 2 Reports Cards Home  
Dec. 5-9 Food Bank Collection  
Dec 16 Last Day Before Winter Break  
Dec 19-Jan 2 Winter Break

### January 2017

Jan 3 First Day back to School

### February 2017

Feb 13 Family Day – No School  
Feb 14 Valentines Day – Red/Pink Day  
Feb 15 Early Dismissal 1:28 – Student-Led Conferences  
Feb 16 Early Dismissal 1:28 - Student-Led Conferences  
Feb 17 Non-Instructional Day – No School  
Feb 22 Pink Day/Anti-Bullying Day

### March 2017

Mar 10 Report Cards Home  
Mar 10 Last Day before Spring Break  
Mar 13-24 Spring Break  
Mar 27 Return to School

### April 2017

Apr 11 Class Photos  
Apr 14 Good Friday – No School  
Apr 17 Easter Monday – No School

### May 2017

May 5 Pro-D – No School  
May 22 Victoria Day – No School  
May 29 Pro-D – No School

### June 2017

June 16 Family Fun Day (weather Permitting)  
June 26 Grade 7 Celebration Assembly  
June 29 Year End Assembly  
Last Day of School for Students  
Report Cards Home

