



BAYRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Bayridge Community;

Here we are – it is already halfway through May! With the weather warming up, classes are spending a lot of time outside. What a great space to learn!

Here are some of the updates and happenings from around Bayridge...

Immunizations for Grades 6-9

Please see the attached letter from Fraser Health regarding the continuation of the Immunization Program for school-aged children.

The letter is a notification that Fraser Health's Immunization Program for school-aged children will resume this year beginning with students in grades 7 and 10 who missed their immunizations during the 2019-2020 school year due to COVID-19. These appointments will be located at local public health units. Health unit staff will contact families to book these immunization appointments over the spring and summer. The immunization programs for kindergarten, Grade 6 and 9 students from the 2020-2021 school year are currently under development.

Outdoor Equipment

Thank you so much to our PAC for the outdoor sports equipment. Each class received a collection of balls and various other pieces of equipment to use during our recess and lunch time breaks. This allows for students to have some games to play during those unstructured times. Our staff then decided to purchase some laundry baskets to store the equipment in. Our thoughts around this was so the equipment could dry out and also the holes on the sides of the baskets would allow the fogging equipment to sanitize more surface areas of the balls. This would, in theory, allow the equipment to last longer. Thank you PAC for this gift of play!

Planning for the 2021/2022 School Year

We are nearing that time of year when we begin our preliminary and tentative planning for class placements. **Please note that we are unable to accept requests for specific teachers.** When creating class placements, staff engage in a thoughtful process that considers many factors including learning strengths and stretches, class sizes and composition, and student connections with peers. If you are interested in sharing further details with us regarding your child's learning needs, please email Ms. Saito directly (Saito_T@surreyschools.ca) by June 1st, 2021.

On that note, we are also putting together our class lists, school fees and school calendar for next year. As these become available, we will let you know. All documents will be posted on our school website and notification will be emailed to you.

Health Update

Please continue to do your daily health checks as a family. It is so important to stay home if unwell! With allergies in full swing, we sometimes confuse allergy symptoms with cold/flu/COVID symptoms. If a student is coming to school with allergy symptoms, please communicate with your child's teacher as to the allergy symptoms that they are experiencing. This will help with overall understanding of the needs and health of the children.

Upcoming Dates

May 24 – Victoria Day – School is Closed

May 27 – Twin Day

May 31 – Non-Instructional Day – School is Closed to Students

June 1 – Welcome to Kindergarten

June 7 – Early Dismissal 1:35 pm

June 10 – Sports Teams or Jersey Day

June 21 – Dress Your Best

June 24 – Last Day before Summer Break – Dismissal at 1:35pm