



ADAMS ROAD ELEMENTARY

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Hello Parents, Students, & Families,

I hope that you and your family are doing well. June 1st was our first day of return to face-to-face instruction and it was great to see so many smiling faces. I am happy to report that all of the students who have returned to school have adjusted well to our new health and safety protocols. Thank you to the parents for your patience and understanding as we restructured our groups to best meet the needs of all of our students.

A reminder that Thursday, June 25th will be our last day of regularly scheduled classes and it is early dismissal (1:27 p.m. for those attending face to face).

As the school year draws to a close, I know one big question remains, what will school look like in September? I believe the answer to this lies in what happens over the summer with regards to COVID-19 in our province. We will continue to follow the direction of our Provincial Health Officer and Minister of Education and their decisions will, no doubt, be guided by what is happening in our communities. As we move through the summer, we will continue to update you through School Link and please also check the Surrey School District website.

GOODBYE AND THANK YOU

It is always difficult to say good-bye to staff who have developed terrific relationships with colleagues, parents and students. Unfortunately, we must say goodbye to the following staff members who will be moving to a variety of positions throughout our school district.

TEACHERS: Mrs. Sugawara, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Reich, Mrs. Heacock, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Smitherman, Mrs. Heir, Mrs. Berichon and Mr. Walters

CCW: Mrs. Gortz and Mrs. Hasiuk

EA's: Mrs. Bali, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Weir, Mrs. Pinder, Mrs. Abbasi, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Walshe, Mrs. Sherwani, Mrs. Chahal and Mrs. Spence

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return any library books you have at home when you come by to pick up supplies. Library books can be dropped off in the bin inside the office side doors or with your child(ren)'s classroom teacher. **All library books are due by the end of the week, Thursday, June 25.** Thank you

REPORT CARD PICK UP

For students not attending face-to-face instruction, teachers will be emailing and inviting you to come and pick up report cards at a specific time. Please ensure you and your family practice social distancing while on the school grounds, picking up report cards or supplies. Report cards not picked up before Thursday, June 25, will be available for pick up at the office on Monday, June 29 and Tuesday, June 30 from 8:30 - 2:30 p.m. Report cards not picked up before the end of June will be distributed to students in September.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

Classroom teachers will be emailing Grade School Supply Lists to families and school supply lists will also be uploaded to our school website. Once classes are set in September, individual teachers may request additional supplies that are necessary.

ABSENCES / LATES EXTENDED HOLIDAYS

If your child is going to be away on the first day of school, please remember to phone and leave a message on the answering machine to let us know. As well, if you move over the summer and will not be returning in the fall, please phone the school and inform us of this. Thanks!

ARE YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATIONS UP TO DATE FOR KINDERGARTEN?

Vaccines are a healthy choice for your child. They provide immunity and prevent disease.

Two vaccines are free for Kindergarten age children starting at age 4:

- Tdap-IPV: protects against tetanus diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough) and polio
- MMRV: protects against measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chickenpox)

To check if your child's immunizations are up to date you can use the online Vaccination Status Indicator tool at <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator>.

In the fall, public health sent home letters to families whose children had missing or incomplete immunization records. If you received a letter and have not given public health your child's immunization history, please provide a copy of your child's immunization record as soon as possible. You can:

- Take the record to your local public health unit
- Submit the record on-line at www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform
- Fax or mail the record to your local public health unit

If your child needs additional immunizations, please call your family doctor, local pharmacist (for those 5 years of age and older), or public health to book an appointment.

Visit www.fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized for a list of community vaccine providers.

To book an immunization appointment with public health call:

- 604-702-4906 (residents of Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
- 604-476-7087 (residents in all other areas of Fraser Health)

For more information: www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizations

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

We are starting to make plans for the organization of classes for the coming school year. It is important to understand that the placement of students is determined through school-based professional decisions. The teachers at Adams Road work carefully and collaboratively to determine the most suitable placement for your child based on the following criteria:

- Student intellectual, social and emotional development
- Learning styles and strengths of students
- Degree of independence
- Integration of students with special needs
- Social compatibility
- Gender balance
- Maintaining appropriate teacher-student ratios

Much of this process cannot be completed until the first week of school when we have a final count of students. We will not be able to confirm placements until after the first week of school. We want to take the time needed to create effective combinations of learners that will foster success all year.

BACK TO SCHOOL

School begins again on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Students in Grades K - 7 will attend for one hour on the first day, from 10:00 – 11:00 am. Our new Kindergarten students have received a letter outlining their gradual entry to Full Day K.

Adams Road Bell Schedule 2019 / 2020

8:30 a.m. 5 minute warning bell

8:35 a.m. Morning Session 1

10:15 a.m. Recess

10:30 a.m. Morning Session 2

11:50 a.m. Lunch (outside to play)

12:15 p.m. Lunch (inside to eat)

12:30 p.m. Afternoon Bell

12:35 p.m. Afternoon Session

2:35 p.m. Dismissal

ADAMS ROAD SCHOOL CALENDAR 2020-2021

September	8	School Begins
	28	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
October	12	Thanksgiving Day- schools closed
	22	Early Dismissal – Students dismissed at 1:35pm
	23	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
November	6	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
	11	Remembrance Day - schools closed
	26	Early Dismissal – Students dismissed at 1:35pm
December	18	Last day of School before Winter Break
December 21-Jan 1		Winter Break
January	4	School re-opens after Winter Break
February	15	Family Day holiday- schools closed
	19	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
	23	Early Dismissal – Students dismissed at 1:35pm
March 15- March 26		Spring Break/School Closure
March 29		School re-opens after break
April	2	Good Friday – Schools Closed
	5	Easter Monday – Schools Closed
May	7	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
	24	Victoria Day- schools closed
	31	Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend
June	24	Last day for students
		Early Dismissal- Students dismissed at 1:35pm

* dates may change with notice