

End of the Year Holly Happenings

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Principal/Vice Principal Message



Dear Parents/Care Givers,

As this year draws to a close we would like to acknowledge all that you have done to support our school community. As we move upwards and onwards from this year, we are heartened to see the resiliency and caring in our community. From the warm, infectious smiles through your masks to the kind and encouraging words.

This was a definitely a unique year and while we usually thank families for volunteering on field trips, coordinating hot lunches and helping out in classrooms, we have other reasons to be grateful to our community this year.

- Thank you for your support as we encouraged the Health and Safety of everyone in a pandemic year.
- Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigated learning in school during a pandemic.
- Thank you for all that you do with your children to make them ready for school from reading with them, to talking with them, to making sure they follow the Covid protocols at school.

We are grateful for the partnership between the families and the staff at Holly. We look forward to the day when we can gather and show our gratitude in person. While we are hopeful for a normal return in September, we await final direction from the district of how September will roll out.

To our amazing grade seven learners and to those learners who will be attending other schools, we wish you all the best as you transition to your next school. Our hope is that the lessons you have learned at Holly will serve you well in all of your endeavours. To our returning learners and parents, enjoy the summer and we will see you in September!

-Andrew Shook & Zahra Kabani

Staffing Update



Happy retirement Ms. Mitchell! Ms. Mitchell is the smiling face you see as you enter our school. She has been at Holly for the past 25 years. We will miss Ms. Mitchell's care for all our learners and her deep commitment to the efficient running of our school. We wish you all the best as you transition into retirement!

Each year, we must say good bye to a number of staff who for a variety of reasons, such as term positions, new positions, and leaves will not be returning to Holly. Each of these individuals has contributed to our school community in numerous ways

On behalf of all of us at Holly, we would like to thank each of you for your dedication and commitment to ensuring success for all our learners. Your efforts in making our school a welcoming and engaging environment is deeply appreciated. All the best as you move to your next position in a school or in life!

This year we say good-bye to :

- Our office staff: Ms. Mitchell
- Our counsellor: Ms. Hahney
- Our teachers: Ms. Myles, Ms. Devries, Ms. Stanley, Ms. Agosta Mirzayev, Mrs. Ho, Ms. Elliott, Ms. Pooni, Ms. Pablo, Ms. Garcha, Ms. Ng, Mr. Punia, Mr. Schriek, Ms. Samborsky,
- Our support staff: Ms. Chohan, Ms. Litt, Ms. Lafrance, Ms. Kumar, Ms. J. Sandhu, Ms. Laxamana, Ms. Haug, Ms. Bowen, Ms. G. Sandhu, Mr. Kim,
- Our custodial staff: Mr. Delpilar

We say welcome to Holly the following staff members who will be joining our school community in September:

- Ms. Uppal, Ms. Canby

Are you Moving?



Each year our school undergoes a change as families move out of the school's catchment area. To assist us in organizing classes for this coming September it would be helpful to know which families will not be returning. If you are planning to move between now and September, please let the office know. Your support in assisting the school to plan for the coming school year would be appreciated.

School Supplies



Supply lists for school supplies are available on our school website, and will also be sent home with your child with their report card.

Classroom and Library Books

We humbly ask our families to please look around at home for any library books or textbooks that may be at home. Please check around your home to see if a Classroom book, or a Library Book is hidden away somewhere. Thank you in advance for bringing these books back to school.



Kindergarten Start



Gradual Entry schedules will be emailed out to families before the end of the school year.

September & School Opening



We look forward to seeing you in September after you have enjoyed your summer vacation. Information will be posted by the front entrance and on Holly's website¹ during the last week of August. You DO NOT need to register your child if he/she attended Holly this year.

¹<https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/holly/Pages/default.aspx>

2021/2022 School Calendar



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2021 – 2022 School Calendar

September	7	School Opens
	24	Terry Fox Run
	27	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
October	8	Photo Day
	11	Thanksgiving Day
	18	Interim Reports
	22	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
November	4	Parent/Teacher Consultation
		Early Dismissal @ 1:35
	9	Photo Retakes
	10	Remembrance Day Assembly
	11	Remembrance Day – School Closed
12	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed	
December	10	First Formal Report Cards (CSL)
	17	Last Day before Winter Break
	20 - 31	Winter Break – School Closed
January	3	School Opens after Winter Break
February	8	Early Dismissal @ 1:35
	21	Family Day – School Closed
	25	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
March	11	Second Formal Report Cards (CSL)
		Last Day before Spring Break
	14 - 25	Spring Break – School Closed
	28	School Opens after Spring Break
April	6	Class Photos
	15	Good Friday – School Closed
	18	Easter Monday – School Closed
May	2 - 4	Art Crawl
	4	Early Dismissal @ 1:35
	5	Parent Tea 8:30-10:30
	6	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
	23	Victoria Day – School Closed
	30	Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
June	10	Sports Day
	15	Grade 7 Celebration
	23	Final Formal Report Cards
		Last Day of Classes
		Early Dismissal @ 1:35

Upcoming Dates



- 24 - Last day for students
- 25 - Last day for staff