

Clayton Elementary

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Earthquake/Disaster Preparedness

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Dear Clayton Families,

We need your help! Earlier in the school year our Earthquake bin outside was broken into and all of the contents were found missing. Unfortunately, many of the items were purchased long ago (other than the food and water) and we are unable to use insurance to replace them. At this week's PAC meeting, we discussed some possible ways we could replace the contents. **Here's where we need your help!** We are looking for donations from the list below from our community. If you would like to purchase and donate any of the items below, please bring them to school and we will begin to reassemble our emergency supplies kit. From now on, the items will not be stored in the bin as we cannot guarantee their security, and another accessible location will be used.

We are in need of the following items:

*Please note the items should be <u>new</u> and not used.

Utility blankets – flannel, fleece, multi-fiber Space blankets (mylar – silver shiny ones) Reflective vests (15) Hard hats (5) Utility shovels (5) – small size Megaphone (1) Flashlights (15) - durable Extra batteries (AAA, AA and D sizes) Whistles - 15 Work gloves Tarps – large and small Rope Glow sticks – long lasting Tents (5) – used ok as long as in good shape and contains all parts needed

It is my understanding that many of you purchased the **comfort kits** last year through EduPac. If you would like to donate those kits, that would be wonderful. We could add them to the general kit <u>to be used by all students</u> as needed. Food, water, other supplies, and whatever we do not get donated will be purchased using PAC funds. We hope to have a good supply and preparedness kit together by Spring Break. We will accept any and all donations until then.

Please feel free to email me at <u>Fenrick_l@surreyschools.ca</u> with any questions about the type of supplies we are looking for. Thank-you in advance for your donations. It is very unfortunate that this has happened but we are doing our best to make sure your children are looked after and safe and sound in the event of an emergency. <u>Please note that we currently have a minimal kit already put together including first aid kits, food and water should something happen before the full kit is assembled.</u> Preparedness and your child's safety and security in the event of an emergency is something we take very seriously and hopefully never have to use.

Sincerely,

Lauretta Fenrick Principal

Parking Concerns

Many parents have expressed concerns over our parking lot. We also have a number of new parents to our school. Our parking lot is very small and gets congested quite easily. We need all parents to follow the rules so we can keep our children safe before and after school.

Here are some guidelines as a reminder to all of our parent community:

- ✓ Only <u>park in the designated spots</u> on either side of the pull through
- ✓ Please pull all the way to the front of the pull through before letting your child exit or enter your vehicle
- ✓ There is <u>no parking by the mailbox</u> as it blocks incoming traffic
- ✓ The <u>staff parking lot is OUT OF BOUNDS</u> for all parents and families at all times some of your children, *despite being asked not to*, walk and run through the parking lot
- ✓ If you are in the pull through and your child is unable to get themselves in and out of the car without assistance, please pull into a parking space
- ✓ If you are in the pull through you don't see your child coming to the car, please continue to pull through and make a loop to try again
- ✓ It is VERY UNSAFE for parents to park on the East side of 184th and walk across traffic, please <u>find a safe</u> place on either the west side of 184th or in the lot
- ✓ Please <u>avoid blocking our neighbour's driveway</u> to the south of the school

If we can call work together on being patient, courteous, and respectful drivers, the safety for your children and frustration levels for all will improve.

Thank you for attention to this important matter.