GOLDSTONE PARK ELEMENTARY



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ProD – No School

Thu, Sep 30th

Truth and Reconciliation Day – No School

Principal's Message

On behalf of our staff, we extend a warm welcome to all our new and returning families. It has been a busy week getting to know new friends and touching base with old ones.

Goldstone Park has a solid reputation for the service we provide to our students. The fall is always exciting and full of promise and we look forward to a great year. This week has been spent verifying our numbers and registering new students. We cannot be officially in classes until the District has given us the go ahead, which has now happened.

Our student population stands at 733 which is 32 divisions. As of this afternoon we have moved into our permanent classrooms. Thank you for your patience this week as we worked through the process.

Please do not come and request changes. We have worked very hard to create a school organization that best meets the needs of all our students. Our class placement process ensures that thoughtful consideration of each student's social, emotional and academic needs are aligned with the necessity to create balanced and effective learning environments.

Our staff invested considerable thought and time in assigning students to classes, including parent requests made last spring. We know that the children will settle in quickly to their new places and fast become a community of learners.

We all look forward to an exciting year of learning and growth.

Warmly,

Laura Grills

Newsletters

Announcements and newsletters are sent via email on Thursdays/Fridays. Make sure to sign up on the school website. Scroll down to the bottom of the page. There is a box that says "Sign up for Newsletter". You will receive an email confirming your sign-up, please check your junk email.

Occasionally paper copies will be sent home. Newsletters include important information, so please READ them carefully. The District website is also a great source of information.

Please take note of ProD and early dismissal days and mark them on your calendar.

Visit it at www.surreyschools.ca

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Parent Handbook /Student Planners

A handbook for parents is included in the student planner. It contains important topics such as the school Code of Conduct, communication, school policies etc. Please take the time to read through the information and discuss the pertinent topics with your child.

All students in Grades 1-7 are expected to purchase a planner for \$5.00, paid online starting Sept 20th.

Supply Lists were posted in June on the school website. They can be accessed under the parent tab.

IMPORTANT FORMS

Your child(ren) will be bringing home some important forms next week.

A note will accompany the forms explaining and outlining each form.

Please make sure that you read them all and send them back ASAP to your child's teacher. Make sure all information is up to date, especially contact numbers.

Traffic Safety Please walk to school if possible

Encouraging students to walk or cycle to school is part of an overall plan to enhance safety and fitness; please think about the benefits of leaving the car at home. Traffic is very busy before and after school so we ask you to be exceptionally aware and cautious as you approach and leave the school grounds. Please do not park /leave your vehicle in the drop off zones. It is a **drop off area** only. If you need to get out of your vehicle, you will need to park in the city lot at the north end of the school. **Do not park in the handicap stalls unless you have a permit. Do not park in the lanes in front of the school.**

Please practice the "Kiss and Ride" or better yet, walk with your child to school. Be mindful of the staff and students. Safety needs to be a priority for everyone.

Use crosswalks! Model good behavior.

There is a diagram in the front of the planner outlining how to pick up and drop off. Please adhere to it.

Support for Students

We have a team of resource teachers and support workers who are able to provide support to students with learning, social or emotional needs.

Ms. Davidson, Ms. Fusco and Ms. Dawson are our integration support teachers. Ms. Koo, Ms. Lironi , Ms. Rai, Ms. Specogna and Ms. Sandu provide learning assistance.

Counselling support is available for individuals and families provided by Ms. Meyer four days/wk. (not Thursday) Childcare Worker support is provided by Ms. Clarke. (not Wednesday)

Please phone the office if you wish to make appointments to see any of them.

Emergency Preparedness

For emergency drills, we try to minimize fear for the younger children and teach drills in the context of preparatory safety. We practice Fire Drills: all classes evacuate the school silently, prepared to respond to emergency instructions. We assemble on the back field and wait for an "all clear "signal after an emergency team has assessed the situation. We also practice an earthquake "Drop and Cover" and evacuation, using a simulated earthquake tape. To prepare for a potentially dangerous situation, we practice a secure and hold procedure, whereby we lock all outside doors and indoor doors until we have a certainty of safety.

Next week we will be practicing all three drills, weather permitting and will continue to practice once or twice in each semester of the school year.

School office hours are: 8:00- 3:30 Monday to Friday.

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Before School: Children are to remain outside until the bell. There is no supervision until 8:20 so unless your child is here for a practice or other specific event, please do not send them early.

If it is an issue for you, there is before and after school care provided offsite by a number of different daycares. Teachers and office staff are busy preparing for their day and cannot supervise children.

LATE ARRIVALS

Our bell goes at 8:30.

If you are late getting to school, please bring your child to the office to get a late slip. We will walk them to class.



Medical Alerts

Parents should ensure that the school is informed of any medical conditions which require emergency response.

There are forms at the office for students with life threatening allergies, asthma, seizures etc. Please make sure that all information is up to date and any medication that is needed is labeled and all information is current. If your child has a life-threatening illness, they should also have a medic alert bracelet.



<u>Children with anaphylactic responses are to wear/carry their Epi/Pen on them.</u>
When a child needs medications at school, particular District policies must

be followed. Please make sure to see the office if this pertains to your child.

Kindergarten Supplies

All students in Kindergarten are asked to pay \$45 into group supplies. You are always welcome to purchase your own, but just remember they will be shared amongst the group and will need to be replaced throughout the year. Money is to be paid online starting Sept 20th. Please see directions listed in the newsletter.



CODE OF CONDUCT

Inside the school planner is an information section for parents. Please take the time to read up on school policy and procedures including our code of conduct and how to pick up and drop off your child if driving.

Goldstone PAC

Our 2021-2022
PAC Executives:
Amit Sharma – President
Crystal Patch Fundraising/Secretary
Wendy Sallis – Treasurer

There are still positions open for individuals wanting to take on an active role in the school. Please let the office know if you are interested or email PAC directly at goldstonepac@gmail.com

We are able to have hot lunch this year. Look for information coming soon. Parents will be needed to help distribute to classes.

Please try to support the PAC fundraisers as they help to provide the extras for the classes. The first one is attached.

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PAC APPLE FUNDRAISER

Hello Goldstone Park Elementary parents and guardians,

It's that time of year, once again. Our kids are back in school and autumn is right around the corner.

We want to make sure this school year is more *fruitful* than ever, so we are very pleased to announce that this year we will be running an exciting new fall fundraiser.

We have partnered up with a distinguished Okanagan orchard to sell their delicious farm-fresh apples. This century-old farm has won all kinds of major awards for their fruit — these are the highest quality apples available anywhere.

And because we're sourcing them directly from the grower, we can sell them at well below grocery store prices and still get to keep a substantial amount of profit from each sale.

This is a great opportunity to earn some significant, and important, funds for our school. Each box sold will contribute either \$8 or \$10 to our treasury. That adds up quickly.

If you don't want any of these wonderful apples for yourself, that's no problem. You can still help us raise important funds by simply sending a link to your friends and family.

Apples are far-and-away the most popular fruit in Canada, so it's highly likely that you have many apple lovers in your life.

With such a high return per unit sold, you could help us raise up to \$100 by selling just 10 boxes. (Or sell even more, we won't stop you!)

The best part is that it's all done online, so you won't have to deal with the hassles of collecting money and tracking orders.

Just complete a quick and easy registration process and then share your link with your contacts. Sweet and simple! It will only take you a couple of minutes, but our kids will benefit for years.

You can find out more by clicking this link:

https://fundraising.sunokafruit.com/b/goldstoneparkpac

Please consider participating in this fundraiser. This is a fresh and healthy product of the highest quality, and at a very good price, that you can be proud of offering to your friends and family.

The funds we raise are so important for providing additional school resources that will enrich and enhance our kids' academic, physical and social growth.

Together with your support we can make a positive and lasting improvement to our children's learning environment – and that is, indeed, a *fruitful* contribution.

Thank you,

Goldstone Park PAC



2021-22 Surrey Schools calendar

Legend						
	Schools open/reopen					
	Non-instructional day (no classes)					
	Schools closed					

Sept. 7, 2021	Schools open
Sept. 27, 2021	Non-instructional day
Sept. 30, 2021	Truth & Reconciliation Day
Oct. 11, 2021	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 22, 2021	Non-instructional day
Nov. 11, 2021	Remembrance Day
Nov. 12, 2021	Non-instructional day
Dec. 20 - Dec. 31, 2021	Winter break
Jan. 3, 2022	Schools reopen after winter break
Feb. 21, 2022	Family Day
Feb. 25, 2022	Non-instructional day
Mar. 14 - Mar. 18, 2022	School closure days
Mar. 21 - Mar. 25, 2022	Spring break
March 28, 2022	Schools reopen after spring break
April 15, 2022	Good Friday
April 18, 2022	Easter Monday
May 6, 2022	Non-instructional day
May 23, 2022	Victoria Day
May 30, 2022	Non-instructional day
June 24, 2022	Administrative day/schools close

Total days in session: 182

Minimum number of hours of instruction that must be offered as per *School Act and Calendar Regulation*:

Students in Kindergarten: 848 hours of instruction Students in Grades 1 to 7: 873 hours of instruction Students in Grades 8 to 12: 947 hours of instruction

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FAQs

I've forgotten my password

Click on the "Forgot your password?" link to reset your password. A temporary password will be sent to the email address registered with your account.

How secure are my purchases?

KEV Group's top priority is to keep your personal information safe. Go to https://helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com and see Security for Security Policy and Privacy Policy.

What if I can't find my student?

Contact your school to confirm your student's details (sign up criteria) to ensure it matches exactly with what was entered in your school's records.

What if I can't see any items?

Each school creates their own items for purchase and assigns them to students. Once assigned, they will appear online under the student tab.

Need Help?



Surrey School District #36

Go to helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com



- ✓ You require a refund for items purchased on School Cash Online
- When adding to the cart, the item displayed prevents you from completing your purchase correctly
- ✓ You made a purchase on an item incorrectly and want to change your order
- ✓ You are missing items that you thought were available to purchase. Items are created by the school and School Cash Online displays those items for parents to purchase

How To Make Online Payments for Your Student Fees using

SchoolCashOnline

Powered by **OKEV**GROUP

Fast, safe, convenient.

Welcome to **SchoolCashOnline**



School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees.

- ✓ Conveniently make payments for student fees online
- ✓ Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- ✓ Never miss out on field trips, school events, yearbooks and more

All you have to do is register, attach your students and in no time, you will be able to make payments online.

How to Register

Go to Your School's Website and click on the Parents tab, and select Pay Fees Online from the drop down menu.

- 1. Click on Register
- ✓ Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications
- 2. A confirmation email will be sent to you
 - Check spam
- Follow the instructions in the email.Your email is used as your username in your



How to Add a Student

- 1. Sign In to School Cash Online
- 2. Go to MY ACCOUNT.
- 3. From the drop down menu, select My Students.
- 4. Click to add a student.
 - a. Type in your School Board Name
 - b. Select School Name from the list.
 - **c.** Enter Student Criteria (as set by your School Board)
 - d. CONFIRM

You can add up to 8 students on your profile.

How to Make a Payment

- 1. You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
- **2.** Select the item that you would like to purchase and click "add to Cart".
- **3.** Once you have finished adding items to your cart, select "Check Out" to make payment.

You can pay for multiple student's items in one Check Out.

Payment Types Accepted

☐ Credit Cards

≡ eCheck

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myWallet

- Stay connected by receiving email notifications of new fees.
- Never miss out on field trips, yearbook sales, and school events.



Pay required fees any time, any where.



Students no longer risk carrying cash and **cheques** to school in their backpacks.



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September 3, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians.

Re: B.C.'s Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for Students

B.C.'s Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation for children has been in effect since July 2019. This regulation supports the gathering of immunization records by Fraser Health for all students in all schools across the region within the province's jurisdiction and to offer immunizations in school settings.

We care about keeping our schools and communities healthy. As a result, in the coming months our staff will check the immunization records we have on file for **children in kindergarten**. They will identify children whose records are missing or incomplete. Families of these children may be contacted.

For students in grades 6, 7, 9 and 10 – this school year Fraser Health will offer immunizations in the school setting to Grade 6 and 9 students from the last school year (20/21) and Grade 6 and 9 students from this school year (21/22).

Our staff will follow COVID-19 safety processes when delivering immunizations and interacting with school staff and students. Prior to immunization, students will be sent home with a personalized consent form for immunization. Please review your child's immunization history on the consent form and if you have additional immunization records please submit them to public health at fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform.

For students in all other grades (includes grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 12) – please check your child's immunization records and provide us with any missing immunization information required under the regulation, with the following guidance:

- You can use the online Vaccination Status Indicator Tool at https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator to check if your child's immunization record is incomplete or missing. The Indicator tells you if your child's immunization record is on file with public health but does not provide any details about their immunization status or history. Health authority public health units already have immunization information on file for most children.
 - o If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are **up-to-date**, then you **do not need to take further action**.
 - If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are pending, no action is required at this time. These records are in the process of being inputted into the system and may take some time to be entered.
 - If the Vaccine Status Indicator shows that your child's immunization records are incomplete, this means either public health does not have your child's records or



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your child needs additional immunizations. If your child has been immunized by a health care provider outside of public health, particularly in the last 18 months, you need to contact those providers and ask for a copy of your child's immunization record. Please follow the instructions below to submit these records to public health.

- To report your child's immunization record you can submit it online at <u>fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform</u> or fax the record to your local public health unit. Be sure the record you are submitting has your child's full name, date of birth, sex, and personal health number (PHN) if the PHN is available. Records can also be provided to a community health nurse in a First Nations community.
- If your child needs additional immunizations, please call your family doctor, a pharmacist or public health to book an appointment.
- Visit fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized for a list of community vaccine providers.
- o To book an appointment with public health, call:
 - o 604-702-4906 (residents of Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
 - o 604-476-7087 (residents in all other areas of Fraser Health)

Collecting immunization information allows us to connect with families about the importance of disease prevention. It also helps public heath to control outbreaks by quickly identifying children who are not fully immunized and helps everyone get back to learning as soon as possible.

For more immunization information, please visit our website at Fraserhealth.ca and search "child immunizations reporting".

Thank you for helping to keep our children and communities healthy.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ariella Zbar, MD, CCFP, MPH, MBA, FRCPC

Medical Health Officer, Medical Director

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Hope	Langley	Maple Ridge	Mission	New Westminster	Tri-Cities
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