



# Clayton Elementary

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## We did it!!!!

After a crazy last three months, we are done! Thank-you to all our parents who sent us kind words and thoughts, helped with schooling, and worked so very hard these last few months.

We hope you all have a fantastic, restful, HEALTHY summer and that we get to see you all in September.

## The big question: What will school look like in September?

The short answer is we don't know and most likely won't know for sure until August.

The two likely possibilities for September will be either:

- a) A full return to school as normal – Students attending five days a week and most business as usual with the possible exception of gatherings such as assemblies and community events
- b) A blended model much like we have right now - Grades K to 5 students will attend two days a week and Grades 6 & 7 students will attend one day a week. Online learning will continue for all. The difference for September, however, is that attendance will no longer be voluntary. All students will attend face to face instruction for the time they are allotted depending on their grade. Students of essential workers and those with special considerations (designations or severe learning needs) will be eligible to attend 5 days per week with Wednesdays continuing to be a daycare day.

The district takes its direction from the Ministries of Education and Health. After receiving those directions, Surrey School District makes its plans with consultation from many different groups. As we need to see where the state of things is before making decisions, August is most likely the soonest we would hear anything. As soon as I get the information, I will be forwarding it to our community. Jordan Tinney, our Superintendent, will continue to put out video messages with information as well. Please make sure you are signed up for emails and look at the website often over the summer. The school link app is also a great way to keep in the loop as any alerts the district or school sends out, automatically comes to you via that app.

Regardless of the model, your children will continue to receive the best education we can provide. Our teachers have done an amazing job with the very sudden pivot to online learning! You have all done a great job communicating with us and your teachers and working hard to teach and support your children. As we have discovered, our community can do whatever we put our minds to!

### **School Supply Lists**

School supply lists will be available on the website early in the summer. Until we find out what school will look like in September, we would like you to consider only buying the basics (paper, a few notebooks, colouring supplies, pencils). When we know what school will be like, then the rest of the lists could be bought. We want to ensure that parents are not buying unnecessary supplies especially considering many of you have been off work for some time. We will also have supplies here at school if there is anyone with financial hardship.

### **Devices (laptops/tablets)**

As next year will have some component of online learning, we will be inviting those students who own devices to bring them to use at school. This is part of a district Bring your own device (BYOD) program. A simple laptop is the best type of device for students to have, anything they can run Microsoft Office products on. **We are NOT asking all parents to go out and buy devices** but if it was something you were considering, the devices would be welcome at school. Devices will be needed more and more by students as the years go on.

**See you all in September!!**

**Enjoy your summer!!!**

