Newsletter

# **Clayton Elementary**

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with great excitement that we start the 2017-2018 school year. I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you – students and parents and guardians alike. This is my first year as Principal and I hope to make Clayton my home for many years. When you have some time or see me around, please reach out to introduce yourselves.

My goal as an educator is to meet the individual needs of each student while balancing the needs of our school community. I have a great passion for education and have been with the Surrey School district for almost 20 years. I strongly value community and parent/guardian involvement, communication, and support. If you have any questions, concerns, or information you want to share, please come to the office to see if I'm available, make an appointment to meet with me through Mrs. Copan, and/or send me an email.

The staff have all been working hard to prepare the school for the arrival of your children. We have worked on some professional development in regards to Social Emotional Learning and hope to bring those ideas into the school culture through the year.

Welcome back to Clayton Elementary, everyone!

Warm Regards,

Lauretta Fenrick



## **Upcoming Events**

#### September 5

First Day of School

September 11

Cross Country starts

#### September 21

Family picnic – 4:30pm

## Important Announcements

For this first week until we are officially in our divisions:

- Leave new school supplies at home
- Bring a small pencil case of pencils, erasers, colouring supplies, scissors
- Bring a healthy lunch and snacks
- > Bring a water bottle

#### Drinking water

- Just a reminder that students need to be using only the designated water fountains and filling stations for drinking
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### More Important News

#### New Bell Schedule:

- 8:30 Welcome Bell
- 8:35 Classes in session
- 10:15 Recess
- 10:30 Classes resume
- 11:40 Lunch Bell (students outside to play)
- 12:05 Eating time
- 12:25 Classes resume
- 2:25 Dismissal

#### **Class Placements**

For the first week of school, students will be working in their grade groups and with various teachers. This gives teachers an opportunity to make the best decisions possible on student placement for the year. Many criteria guide this important decisionmaking process. Some of these include social connections, intellectual development and needs, learning styles, gender balance, class size and composition and if possible, parental requests.

Our goal is to have students placed in their permanent classes as soon as we can but careful consideration of the above criteria is very important and should not be rushed. If you have any concerns, please feel free to email the office or Mrs. Fenrick.

#### **School Website**

Our goal is to limit the amount of paper that goes home to parents. Please check the website frequently for information and updates.

#### Medical

If your child has any serious medical concerns or allergies, please advise the office as soon possible.

#### Important:

From here on, all newsletters will only be put on the website. If you need a paper copy, please come to the office



## Office information:

#### School supplies

 School supply lists are listed on the website under the Parents tab

#### Planners

- All students need to have a planner for 2017-2018 year
- Students can start bringing \$2 for their planners starting the second week of school

#### Forms

- Over the next few weeks many forms will be coming home for parents to sign
- Examples are: Media release
  Student verification
  Fruit and Veggie
  program
  Technology permission
  Etc.

Parents, please keep an eye out and in your child's backpack for these important papers and return them asap! Thank you!

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