Martha Currie Elementary





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Principal: Mr. B. Samra Vice-Principal: Ms. R. Ladd

Week at a Glance ~ Dec. 7 - Dec. 11, 2020

Upcoming Events

Monday

Tuesday

Summative report #1

Wednesday

<u>Thursday</u>

- Early Dismissal @ 1:20
- Parent/Teacher conference

Friday

Early Dismissal @ 11:50

IMPORTANT DATES

December 14

- Purdy's pickup December 18
- Last day before Winter BreakDec 19 - Jan 3
- Winter BreakJanuary 4
- School reopens

Just a reminder

If your child will be absent from school or late, please call the office at:

ph 604-576-8551

Message from the Admin

It's a very busy time as we start to come to the end of the term. Summative Report #1 will be sent home on Tuesday if your teacher is using the CSL reporting style. If your teacher is using FreshGrade, you can expect a one-page overview, but the information about your child's progress is always on FG. For our Blended Learning families, please check with your teacher about how to get any paper documents.

We would like to welcome Ms. Shelby Hannah to the office. She will be here for a few weeks until Ms. Cindy McMurray returns from a Leave. Warm wishes to Ms. McMurray!

Please remember that we will have two Early Dismissals next week. The pre-scheduled one on Thursday is at 1:20pm. The one that the District announced a couple of days ago will be on Friday at 11:50am.

The Thursday early dismissal is to allow time for Parent-Teacher Conferences. Of course, this will not be done in-person this year, but you are welcome to call the office to sign-up for a virtual time slot. Classroom teachers will let you know the method of contact they will be using for the conferences.

The Friday early dismissal is to allow staff time to work out details about possible movements. As everyone is aware, all Surrey schools are looking at reshuffling classes to welcome our Blended learners back into the school. Please know that we are trying hard to minimize the movement of students, but we cannot do this without it affecting a number of students. We will work hard to make movements with every students' best interests in mind.

All library books must be returned before the break. Normally our Teacher-Librarians would like kids to keep them and read over the Break, but with ongoing uncertainty that surrounds us all, we need to ensure they are all returned by the 18th.

Martha Currie has a very special guest visiting us tomorrow morning by the northside crosswalk on 184 Street. If you get a chance to head over there between 8:00am and 8:30am, please do so. Hopefully his schedule doesn't change ©

Mr. B. Samra and Ms. R. Ladd
(Principal) (Vice-Principal)

Div. 10 - The Lawrence Tree



Library Books



Reminder that with all the uncertainty, all library books must be returned to the school before December 18th

Also, over 200 library books were NOT returned at the end of last year. If you could look around the house for these books and please return either to the office or to the classroom, that would be appreciated.

The Martha Currie Parents Info

Neufeld Farms Fundraiser

Pick up is Friday, December 11 at 2:00 pm @ Martha Currie by the basketball court.

These items are frozen – so they MUST be picked up this day. If you cannot pick them up please email Christine at: jcstdenis@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for supporting our Grade 7's

Lost & Found



Our lost and found bin is getting full. If your child has lost an article of clothing, water bottles, umbrellas, balls, etc., please check the lost and found box by the front office.





Research Study Recruiting Participants

Research Study: A New Game-based Cognitive Intervention for Children: Improving Attention and Executive Functions

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- Attention and EF problems are very common in children and failure to remediate them may lead to difficulties with learning, self-regulation, and aspects of physical/mental health.
- Prior studies show that children can demonstrate significant gains in attention, memory, self-regulation, emotional and behavioural control, self-efficacy, use of problem solving strategies, and academic performance, in response to attention and executive function interventions.
- The process of delivering the intervention also can help interventionists to develop their knowledge and skills for supporting children with neurodevelopmental disorders.
- Children will be randomly assigned to one of two intervention conditions: Dino Island
 and educational games. Interventions will be delivered in a 1:1 parent to child model
 within homes. Parent facilitators will receive training and ongoing support from the
 research team.
- Please note that not all families/children may be eligible to participate at this time.





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If you are interested in participating or need more information; please visit http://uvicdinoisland.cogtrain.ca or contact macounlab@uvic.ca by December 20th, 2020.

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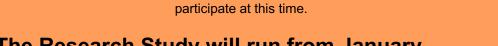




We would like to inform you of an exciting research study, which may be of interest to you. The project is entitled "A New Game-based Cognitive Intervention for Children"



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