



FERRIS FLYER

RESPECT OURSELVES, RESPECT OTHERS, RESPECT OUR ENVIRONMENT

Helpful **E**mpathetic **A**ccountable **R**espectful **T**ruly Kind

September 10, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

All Ferris students were placed into their new classrooms on Monday, September 10, 2018! To help avoid confusion, if your child is grades 1 to 3, please go to the **gym** to pick up your child after school Monday. **The grade one to three teachers will be taking their entire class to the gym at 2:50 pm on Monday.**

If your child is in **grade 4 to 7**, please preplan a meeting place outside to connect with your child after school Monday.

Any child or parent who is unable to find their child will be instructed to go to the gym to be reunited.



All Families are Invited to our Meet the Staff & Ferris PAC Community Pot luck Dinner September 20th, 2018

5:15-5:30 Please drop off your food dish for the potluck, in the **gym** (Staff/Parents will be there to receive and organize food onto buffet style tables)

5:30-Main School Doors open—**Meet your Child's Teacher in their classrooms** (Please see notice from teachers with more detailed information)
You are also welcome to drop into the library to see Mrs. Minosky and with Mr. Kruk in the music room.

6:00-All parents return to gym for Ferris POTLUCK Community Dinner

Important Reminders:

- bring enough for your family with a note attached listing all ingredients (the idea is to share)
- please bring a serving spoon or utensil (label it so we can return it to you)
- no nuts please (including peanut oil)
- bring your own plates and cutlery (label them and your food dish—so they can be returned to you!)
- bring a lawn chair or blanket to help with seating...

FERRIS SCHOOL STAFF 2018-2019

Mrs. D. Steele – Principal
Ms. B. Bahd - Vice-Principal

Office Staff:
Mrs. Ruan, Senior Admin Asst.
Mrs. Hughes, Admin Asst.

- Division Teachers:
- Div. 1 Rm 34 Gr. 6/7 Mrs. Gall
 - Div. 2 Rm 12 Gr. 6/7 Ms. Oye
 - Div. 3 Rm 11 Gr. 6/7 Miss Stene
 - Div. 4 Rm 33 Gr. 6/7 Mr. Wong
 - Div. 5 Rm 10 Gr. 5/6 Mrs. Davis
 - Div. 6 Rm 37 Gr. 5/6 Mr. Lyseng
 - Div. 7 Rm 36 Gr. 4/5 Mrs. Ray
 - Div. 8 Rm 31 Gr. 4/5 Mrs. Rice
 - Div. 9 Rm 9 Gr. 4/5 Mr. Chan
 - Div. 10 Rm 7 Gr. 3/4 Ms. Martens
 - Div. 11 Rm 8 Gr. 3/4 Ms. Westergaard and Mrs. Scott
 - Div. 12 Rm 20 Gr. 2/3 Mrs. Murao
 - Div. 13 Rm 3 Gr. 2/3 Mrs. Argao
 - Div. 14 Rm 30 Gr. 2/3 Mrs. Emery
 - Div. 15 Rm 6 Gr. 1/2 Mrs. Gallacher and Mrs. Orban
 - Div. 16 Rm 1 Gr. 1/2 Mrs. Olson
 - Div. 17 Rm 5 Gr. 1/2 Mrs. Brown
 - Div. 18 Rm 4 Gr. 1/2 Still to be hired
 - Div. 19 Rm 18 Gr. K/1 Mrs. Young
 - Div. 20 Rm 41 Gr. K/1 Mrs. Black

Learning Resource/ELL Team:
Ms. Watanabe, Mr. Quiring, Ms. Grobman,
Ms. Klomp, Ms. Lai, Mrs. Blumel (and one TBA)

Teacher Librarian: Mrs. Minosky

Band/Music/PE: Mr. Kruk

Counsellor: Ms. Flores

Educational Assistants:
Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Nowell, Mrs. Sallinen,
Mrs. Cheng, Mrs. Neufeld, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs.
Clowes, Mrs. Turgut, Mrs. Chan, Ms. Berry, Mrs.
McCarter, Ms. Gross

SWIS: Mrs. Li

Custodians: Mr. Alford,

Noon Hour Supervisors: Ms. Claire Huang, Mrs. Tang,
Mrs. Parrales

Staff Change: Good-bye to Mrs. Ke-Grade 1/2 Teacher
We had to say good-bye to a long time staff member last Friday, **Ms. Rosa He**. She took a position as a Teacher/Librarian in the Delta School District which is much nearer her home. We are very sad to see her go as she is a valued member of our staff, and we know the students and staff will miss her. However, we are pleased that she will be spending more time with her son, and less time in traffic. We are currently in the process of hiring a replacement for Div. 18 Gr. 1/2. For the time being, Ms. Quiring will be TOC for the class until that position is filled.



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Mrs. D. Steele, Principal

Ms. B. Bahd, Vice Principal

Mr. Scott Robinson, Deputy Superintendent

Ms. A. Wong, School Liaison Trustee

School web page: <http://ferris.sd38.bc.ca>

Twitter: [@FerrisFalcons](https://twitter.com/FerrisFalcons)

Important NEWS!

Professional Development Day is scheduled for
Friday, September 21
No School for students
As staff will be participating in professional
development.

Please check our website calendar and news
stream for current information for Ferris School
Events!

TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN



The Terry Fox run will take place the afternoon of **Thursday, September 27** here at Ferris. All students will dedicate their run for Terry or others that they know whose lives have been affected by cancer

We will be collecting donations starting the week before the run. All of these donations will be sent to the Terry Fox Foundation to support cancer research. Our goal this year at Ferris is to raise \$1,000.00.

Ferris will participate in:

ORANGE SHIRT DAY Friday September 28th, 2018

From: <http://www.orangeshirtday.org>

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis's account of losing her shiny new orange shirt on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually. The date was chosen because children are back in school and teachers have time to plan, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying policies for the year. Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and community agencies to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.



NO PARKING AT FERRIS

Since 471 students attend Ferris, it's impossible to accommodate everyone who would like to park. In addition, we have over 50 staff members who park in the parking lot regularly, and more if we include itinerant staff.

How parents can help.

NO PARKING IN THE DROP OFF LOOP IN THE MORNING—but you may drive through to drop off your child. To keep traffic moving smoothly: move ahead to the next car to make more room for cars to drop off, NEVER leave your car or wait for someone, please don't back up, and don't drop your children off from inside loop.

AFTER SCHOOL: The DROP OFF LOOP IS also CLOSED until 3:00 PM, except for those with Ferris **Parking Passes**. Apply at the office—special circumstances only.

Parking Cont.

If you need to go in with your younger child you will need to park away from the school and walk in both for drop off and pick up.

City By-law officers ticket parents who are blocking driveways, dropping off students across from the school, parking in no parking areas.

IMPORTANT: IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL, PLEASE CALL OUR 24 HOUR EARLY WARNING PHONE!

If your child will be absent from school, please inform the school that your child will be away.

EARLY WARNING can be called at any time, day or night. Please call **604-668-6546** and leave a message with your child's name, grade level, division number or teacher's name and the reason for the absence. We appreciate your help in keeping our students safe!

The Weather is Changing!!

Please don't forget to make sure you dress your child for the weather! We go outside every day and we need to be sure your children are prepared. Jackets, boots and a change of shoes/socks are a good idea for preparing for the school day! If your child wears boots to school, please ensure he/she has running shoes to change into once at school.

Grade 6/7 Student Leadership Convention

R.E.A.C.H

Rise to Empower, Accept and Care with your Heart



September 18, 19, 20th

Sessions will include Guest Key-note speakers, Involvement of Leadership Students from McMath High School, Ferris Staff run workshops and a Multi-School Social Media Awareness Presentation. Ferris Gr. 6/7 students will enjoy a Pizza Lunch together on Thursday September 20th.

Ferris School approved for Seismic Upgrade



NEWS RELEASE

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Office of the Premier
Ministry of Education

Students will be safer with seismic school upgrades in Richmond

RICHMOND – Seismic upgrades at Robert J. Tait Elementary and W.D. Ferris Elementary will keep students, staff and teachers safer in the event of an earthquake.

"When students, teachers and staff walk through the front doors of their school, they deserve to feel safe and secure," said Premier John Horgan. "After years of underfunding and delay, we're moving forward with upgrades at Tait and Ferris elementary schools."

See the rest of the news release at
https://archive.news.gov.bc.ca/releases/news_releases_2017-2021/2018PREM0067-001718.htm