



ECOLE GOLDEN EARS ELEMENTARY

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October 8, 2019

<http://goldeneears.sd42.ca/>

Number 2

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs., Oct 10 . Spirit Wear Orders due back

Mon., Oct. 14 . Thanksgiving Day – No School

Wed., Oct. 16 . Hot Lunch Day (Pizza)

Thurs., Oct. 17 1:30 Earthquake Drill with Emergency Release Process

Fri., Oct. 18 . . . Movie Night @6:30 (Doors open 5:45)

Mon., Oct. 21 . Drop Everything and Read Event

Tues., Oct. 22 . Assembly @8:40 am

Int. Cross Country – Alouette Lake

Tues., Oct. 23 . Photo Retakes

Primary Cross Country – Albion

Fri., Oct. 25 . . . Non-Instructional Day – No School

**Fri., Nov. 1 . . . Primary Reading Celebration
PJ Day ! for all grades**

Wed., Nov. 6 . Hot Lunch Day (Sushi)

Thurs., Nov. 7 . Remembrance Day Assembly @10:30

Fri., Nov. 8 . . . Non-Instructional Day – No School

Mon., Nov. 11 . Remembrance Day – No School

Wed., Nov. 13 . Vancouver Symphony Field Trip

Message from Principal

Fall is here! Students are learning about apples and pumpkins, Orange Shirt Day/residential schools and developing a growth mindset, running and volleyball skills as well as continuing to progress with their literacy and numeracy skills.

As a staff we are continuing to work with students' learning how to self-regulate their emotions and bodies. We are reviewing appropriate school behavior in the classroom and when outside. We continue to stress their communication, personal and social responsibility and their creative/critical thinking as they explore and learn with all their subjects. We are reviewing as a school how students can take care of our school and their own personal belongings. We appreciate your support and encouragement with your child's learning.

The district has planned for our first district wide emergency release on **October 17th at 1:30**. In case of a natural disaster, we want to ensure that we know how this would occur with our students and their safety. On the 17th, we will have an Earthquake Drill at 1:30 pm. Students will exit the building with their belongings and their teacher and line up at their division marker in the field by the playground. Parents or designated adults who are listed on the emergency release form can pick up the students after the school is assembled outside. Only the designated adults on the release form can pick up your child. The person will also have to show ID and sign for your child. We will be able to evaluate how well this system will work if parents assist us. This process is for the safety of your children. At 2:20 students will be dismissed. More information will be coming out this week to inform and remind you about this important event.

Please go online and complete all of the districts' parent consent forms (Appropriate Use Policy, Google Drive, Outside Media, Personal Information, Yearbook, Walking Field Trip and Emergency Release). These forms are on the Parent Portal. All forms need to be completed. If you assistance with these forms, please do not hesitate to contact myself.

Enjoy these beautiful fall days . . .

Mrs. Scoular



Individual student photo **retakes** will be taken the morning of **Wednesday, October 23, 2019.** Students going for retakes must hand in their original order form indicating that they would like a retake. ***Students will not receive a proof for their retake. Parents will need to view their photos online.*** Access code to view photos is your child's pupil number.

Terry Fox Run

Thank you to all of the students, parents and staff who participated in our annual Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 27th. Together we raised approx. **\$3900** for the Terry Fox Foundation. This is more than seven dollars per student - Amazing!!!!



PARENTS: Please come to the office if you need to drop off lunches or other items. Please do not go out to the field. Our Lunch Time Supervisors do not know who is coming on the school grounds and they are looking after your child's safety.

DROP EVERYTHING AND READ 2019

Reading is a beautiful thing. Make sure to read twenty minutes a day, every day! All students at Golden Ears will be dropping everything on Monday, October 21st at 12:40 pm to read for 20 minutes.

SAVE-ON-FOOD RECEIPTS



Just a reminder to parents to please collect and bring in their Save-On-Foods receipts from the EAST Maple Ridge Save-on-Foods Store (no other Save On please). For every \$10,000.00 in receipts the school will receipt a gift card that we use for special events. Receipts may be dropped off in the front office of the school.
Thank you!



FAMILY PHOTO NIGHT!

Raise money for your school! Book your 12-minute studio portrait sitting, and 100% of your booking fee goes to your school! You will also receive a FREE 8x10 portrait. Photos are taken at Golden Ears Elementary on November 13, 2019 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.

Photo Expressions,

Address: 2250 Fremont St.; Port Coquitlam

Phone: 604-463-3654.

<http://www.photoexpressions.ca>

PJ DAY - Friday, November 1, 2019

After Halloween, we may all need to have a relaxing day on November 1. So wear your PJs on November 1st.



EXTRA CLOTHES

WESTCOAST Recess/Lunch Time:

Please ensure that your children have jackets and warm clothing so that they are comfortable outside on cold or wet days. Going out to play helps children to be better focused during instruction time. It would be very helpful if children could keep an extra set of clothes at school or in their backpacks. Please mark your child's clothes with his/her name, and encourage your child to stay dry when playing outside



COLD AND FLU SEASON

It's that time of the year when colds and flues are on the rise. Fraser Health Authority reminds us to wash our hands with soap and water frequently, and cough into our sleeves (not our hands). If soap and water are not available, hand sanitizer is a good substitute. Remember, if students are ill they should stay home and have their parent or guardian contact the school to advise of their absence. Students should stay home until they are well.

If you have taken your child to the doctor and they are contagious, please ask the doctor how long they should stay home until they are no longer contagious. This is just a reminder, that if your child is diagnosed from the doctor with something other than a cold or the flu, for example, Scarlet Fever, Fifths Disease, Chicken Pox, etc., it is important that you advise the school as soon as you find out. This enables us to send a notice home to the other families in the class so that those who are "at risk" (such as pregnant women, those with immune deficiencies, infants, etc.), can be aware that they may have been exposed to that virus. (Information notices sent home do

not identify those who have contacted the virus.



Head Lice

This is the time of year when head lice may show up in your child's hair.

To prevent head lice among children at school, we ask that you remind your child to not share personal items such as combs and brushes, and that you check your child's head weekly for the presence of head lice.

If you detect head lice on your child, please follow the treatment options and notify the school. Chemical treatments, hair conditioner and lice combs are available at most drugstores. It is important that you follow the directions carefully. Early detection and appropriate treatment will significantly reduce head lice in our school. If you have any questions or concerns regarding head lice, or require further information, please contact the school or the Public Health Nurse at 604-476 - 7000. Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

Parking Lot Safety Reminder

We are again asking for all drivers to be particularly careful near the school to help us ensure that all students get to school safely and on time. Our parking lot is a busy place and so we ask that whenever possible drivers try and park on 118th or on 231B if you cannot walk. Please remember that the driver of the vehicle cannot leave the car unattended unless in a designated parking stall.

In Case of Emergency....

What parents should do in case of emergencies affecting schools.

In the case of an EMERGENCY, POWER OUTAGE OR SEVERE WEATHER BEFORE OR DURING SCHOOL HOURS, many parents' first reaction will be to call the school. Please DO NOT PHONE THE SCHOOL. The school only has 2 phone lines which are CONSTANTLY in use during any unforeseen incident. It is VITAL these lines remain open whenever possible. If there is a power outage, we will only have 1 emergency line available.

- In such a situation, please remain calm and be patient and trust that your child (ren) will be safe and cared for until picked up!
- Listen to the radio or check the School District website at <http://www.sd42.ca/>. On the rare occasion that all schools are closed, public announcements affecting SD 42 school closures will be made by the Superintendent of Schools.
- IF you **do not hear** a school closure announcement for School District No. 42 then assume all schools are open.
- **IMPORTANT:** In the case of any emergency, the phone lines into our school will be needed for emergency response teams. If there is a power outage, there will only be 1 emergency telephone line WHICH MUST REMAIN AVAILABLE WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
- Parents should tune into any of the local AM radio stations CBC, CKNW, CKWX and their FM affiliates which will be kept informed of developments by the school district.
- You will **NOT** receive a call from the school IF THE CLOSURE IS BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL HOURS. If schools are closed students **do not attend**.
- In the event of an emergency closure DURING SCHOOL HOURS, the children must be evacuated from the premises as quickly and safely as possible. Our Emergency Telephone Tree will be activated and you WILL receive a call from a volunteer phoning parent with instructions and/or information.
- In the event of an emergency closure AFFECTING GOLDEN EARS ONLY (isolated school closure) our Emergency Telephone Tree will be activated and you WILL receive a call from a volunteer phoning parent with instructions and/or information.

Each school has its own emergency plan and the district has an overall plan. In addition, the School District and the municipalities of Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows have a coordinated plan. We hope this information alleviates any concerns for your child's safety and will be considered if an unforeseen situation arises.

Accident Insurance Forms

As parents, you may wish to consider purchasing insurance because if your child is injured while at school or during school activities, our District's Insurance does not extend to students. As you know, accidents can be the result of the nature of any activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student or the school

board or its employees or agents or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your son/daughter to participate school activities, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that the activity, as described above, is suitable for your child.

Please see the website www.iapkidsplus.com for information on Student Accident Insurance.



Red Cross Babysitting!

Babysitting

1 day- 7 hrs., for Grade 6+

\$60 + GST Online Registration

So you want to be a babysitter? Or, your parents want you to take this course so they feel confident leaving you at home alone?

Different from all other Babysitting courses! Babysitting with First Aid Hero emphasizes first aid and learning through real life scenarios. Active role-play! Interactive and fun! Covered in this course:

- ❖ *Exploring the Business of Babysitting*
- ❖ *Creating Safe Environments*
- ❖ *Safely Caring for ages 0-12*
- ❖ *First Aid Skills*

WHERE: Golden Ears Elementary, 23124 118th Ave, Maple Ridge, V2X 2N1

WHEN: Friday, November 8, 2019

TIME: 8:30am – 3:30pm

COST: \$60 + \$3GST = \$63.00 TOTAL, Register Online and SAVE \$5!

Mail Fee: \$65 + \$2.35 GST = \$68.25 TOTAL, extra charge for administration.

HOW TO SIGN UP:

Online- Please follow the Registration Link online <http://www.firstaidhero.com/babysitting-vancouver.html> in the Golden Ears row.

Mail- Fill in the Registration Form Online or attached along with your payment written to Marla Rosen, post-dated 7 business days prior to the course and, mail to First Aid Hero, P.O. Box 19111, Vancouver, BC, V6K 4R8. Please write your child's first/last name on the bottom left part of the cheque. **By mail fee is \$68.25 total.**
Registration only accepted once payment is received.

By Mail Deadline: Friday, November 1, 2019.

Online Deadline: Thursday, November 7 at 7pm.

Late Registration accepted online only.

About *FIRST AID HERO*

Authorized Red Cross Training Partner, First Aid Hero, specializes in Babysitting and other recognized First Aid courses for children. Marla Rosen, President & CEO, is a Red Cross Instructor, Lifeguard, professional children's performer and Montessori teacher. Instructors of First Aid Hero are paramedics, fire fighters, police officers, lifeguards and other qualified professionals.

For more information contact Marla 778-322-7442 or marla@firstaidhero.com
www.firstaidhero.com



Red Cross Babysitting

Golden Ears Registration + Waiver Form

Welcome to Red Cross Babysitting at Golden Ears on Nov. 8th, 8:30am – 3:30pm.

Check <http://www.firstaidhero.com/babysitting-vancouver.html> under Golden Ears to ensure there is space available. If it says Online Registration Form, then a spot is available.

Total Cost \$63.00
SAVE \$5.00 and REGISTER ONLINE!

By Mail Fee \$68.25

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Payment Method- _____ or _____
(Mail-mark 'X') (Online-Name on Credit Card)

Child Name- _____
(Last) (First)

Address- _____ **City-** _____ **Prov.-** BC **Postal Code-** _____

Telephone- () _____ () _____
(home) (cell)

Email Address- _____

Age- _____ **Date of Birth (D/M/Y)-** ___/___/___

Parent(s) Name(s)- _____

Emergency Contact- _____ + (____) _____
(Contact Name) (Contact Number)

Comments (allergies, conditions, etc.)- _____

In enrolling my child(ren) in the Red Cross First Aid Hero Babysitting Course at *Golden Ears*, I understand that the Instructors will take all precautions and pay the utmost attention to safety. However, I understand that accidents can occur and I will not hold them responsible.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

For full time class, please provide a bag-lunch and two big snacks. For part time class, please provide a snack each time. Children will not be allowed to leave the premises during breaks and lunch. No nuts please.

www.firstaidhero.com

Full refund within 5 business days accepted, afterwards sorry no refunds.

The Redesigned Curriculum at Golden Ears Elementary

Personal Awareness and Responsibility

Why is personal awareness and responsibility so important to a child's education? Personal awareness and responsibility is a core competency integrated into all areas of learning in the curriculum.

When a student is personally aware and responsible, their sense of self-worth and confidence grow as they develop skills to ensure their well-being. Students learn how to set goals, regulate their emotions and stress, express their needs, and seek help when needed.

When students understand how their choices affect their educational, emotional, and social well-being, they recognize that they have a personal responsibility for their future.

For more information about the curriculum, visit <https://www.sd42.ca/new-curriculum/>

Coming in November – Compassion.



Core Competencies: What are they and why are they in the new curriculum?

The new curriculum centres around the following three core competency areas: **communication**, **personal and social**, **thinking**. They are sets of intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students need to develop in order to engage in deep learning and life-long learning. Competencies are evident in every area of learning and in every grade, and come into play when students become actively engaged in their learning. During the school year, students will have an opportunity to self-assess their proficiencies in these core competencies.