



SURREY MUSLIM SCHOOL

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Principal's Message

*Please remember
to phone the school
office before 8:30*



*a.m. whenever
your child is absent.*

*Please mention
your child's name,
grade and the reason
of his/her absence.*

(604) 599-6608

Dear Parents,

Just a few notes as we wind down the first term.

Of highest importance is our continuing parking lot issue. Some parents are still driving in too fast, and the Day Care next door has had frequent concerns about those who drive by at a higher than necessary speed. While we've tried several configurations with our cones and parking arrangements for pick up and drop off, children are still in jeopardy from cars going too fast or backing up without looking. So far we've been lucky, but let's keep in mind that a few seconds saved is not worth the pain of hurting a child.

A reminder of the Family Movie Night being held tomorrow evening (Saturday, December 2) at 6PM in our gym. Please bring toonies for admission and a couple of toonies for pizza or snacks for this PAC Fundraising Event. You'll also need a blanket for you and your children to sit on for a picnic-style movie time (and so the popcorn doesn't slide down between the rubber mats). "Incredibles 2" will be shown, and for those of you who prefer, there will be a parent discussion group with Counselor Hala Kapani on positive parenting.

Teacher reports will be going home on December 7th.

Parent/Teacher meetings will be held on the afternoon of December 14th. Please call on Tuesday the 11th or Wednesday the 12th to book an appointment time between 1:30 and 6:15.

Winter holidays will run from Saturday the 22nd of December to Sunday the 6th of January.

Salaam,

Ali

*If you have a
change of address
and phone number
please inform the
secretary.*





Parent-Teacher Interviews

Communication is a vital link in a child's education, so we invite you to use any venues available to you. School newsletters, parent/teacher interviews, phone calls, emails, report cards, and notes in your child's agenda, are just a few of the important parts of our communication process. Please call the office on December 11 & 12 to book your appointments to meet with teachers. We look forward to meeting all parents during the parent/teacher interviews on December 14, 2018.

Please be prompt and think through what you want to say ahead of time. Focus on your child(ren) needs. I will be more than happy to meet with you during that night. I hope you are enjoying the wonderful learning experiences that your child is sharing with you.

The school will be closed on Friday December 14 for Pro-D Day and Parent/Teacher Interviews.

A Successful Parent-Teacher Interview

How can I get the most out of the interview?

First write down what you would like to say before you go and list any questions you have. Include any helpful information for your teacher such as the kind of books he reads or activities he's involved in.

Set the tone by arriving on time and start by letting your teacher know what you child enjoys in class, and ask what he/she needs to improve on.

Finally, create a plan to help your child grow and succeed for the remainder of the year.



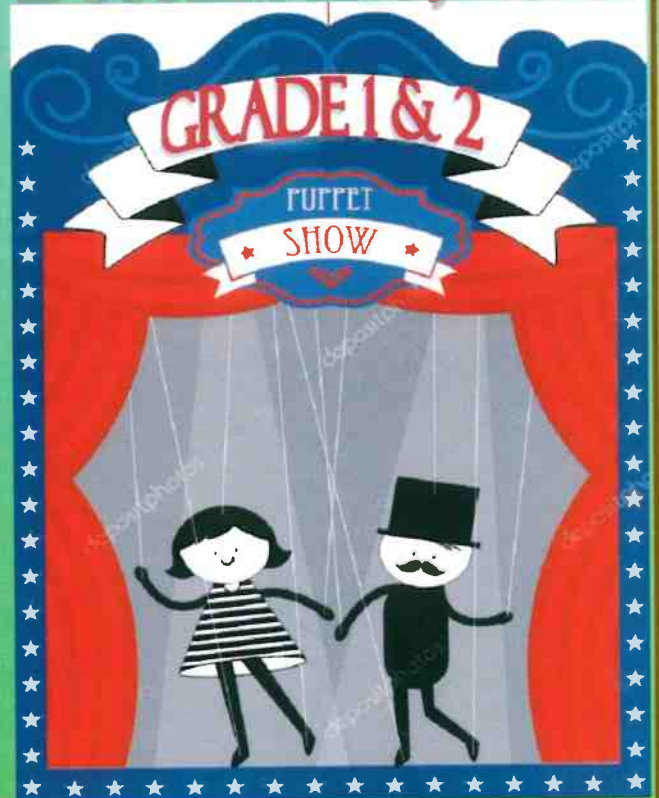
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December 5, 2018

Transforming the lives of kids & families living with Juvenile Arthritis and other rheumatic diseases.

Juvenile Arthritis affects 3 in 1000 kids in Canada – making it one of the most common chronic conditions affecting children today. Even still JA is still relatively unknown and often misunderstood. For kids, this can lead to feelings of embarrassment, social exclusion and even bullying – all that for a child who is already dealing with a painful and largely invisible disease.

Kids on the Block is a troupe of life-sized puppets that dress and act like real children. The program's goal is to help raise awareness and understanding about what it's like to live with Juvenile Arthritis and to illustrate some of the challenges a classmate with JA might be facing: pain, isolation, depression and mobility challenges.

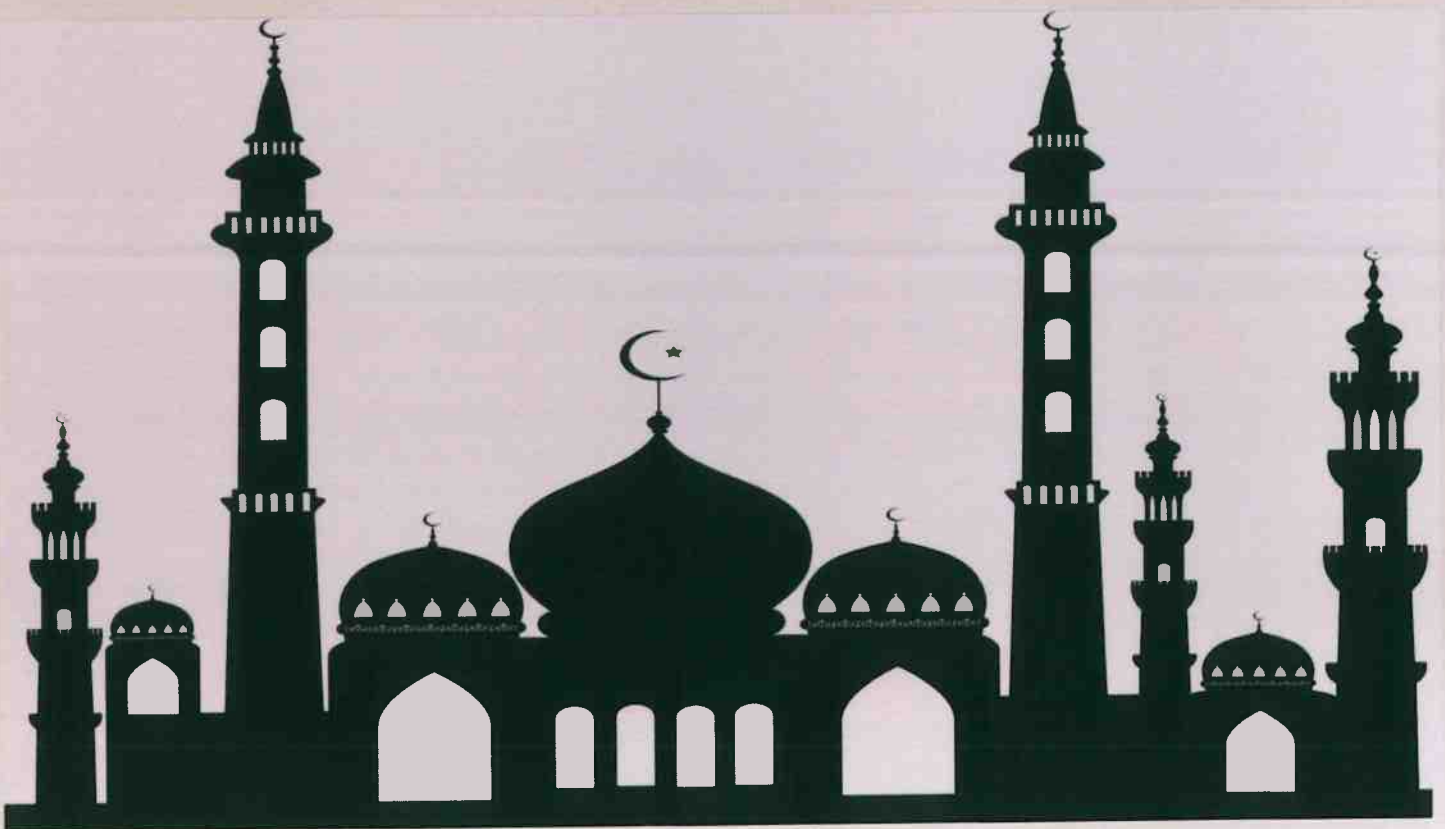


REVERENCE, RESPECT, and RESPONSIBILITY

At Surrey Muslim School, we have set three key school-wide expectations. They are the three R's:

Reverence, Respect, and Responsibility.

Reverence means to obey Allah and His Messenger, Quiet during Qur'an, and Serious in Salah. Respect means to respect people, places, and property. Responsibility means to be safe, be prepared, and be in the right place at the right time. These three R's expectations help students become leaders for their school and community. The three R's expectations help students become "Leaders of the Righteous".





As the Winter Break approaches, kids will no longer sign out books from the library, they will only be returning books to the library.

We encourage students to continue to read during their winter break, to further enhance their reading abilities, and to make reading a continual pass time.

Why is reading important for developing minds:

- 1) It expands a child's vocabulary
- 2) Reading helps build independence and self-confidence.
- 3) It helps them make sense of the world around them.
- 4) Leads to future academic success
- 5) Improves their writing skills. Ect.

SMS Fundraiser

Assalamu Alaikum Parents and Guardians,

As you may have heard, the SMS Fund Raising Dinner, originally scheduled for December 14, has been postponed until February 2nd. The Committee felt that there was too much going on over the next few weeks to properly engage the community at this time. If you've already purchased your tickets, there is no need to exchange them. The original tickets will be honored. However, the promise of a tax receipt for your purchases cannot be fulfilled on the advice of the Canada Revenue Agency. We apologize for that error.

The event will still be held at the Riverside Grand Ballroom, 1231 Burdette Street in Richmond, but on the 2nd of February. Some of our students will be making a brief presentation and a good time is promised to all. We hope to see you there.

PAC Meeting

Thursday December 6, 2018

PAC



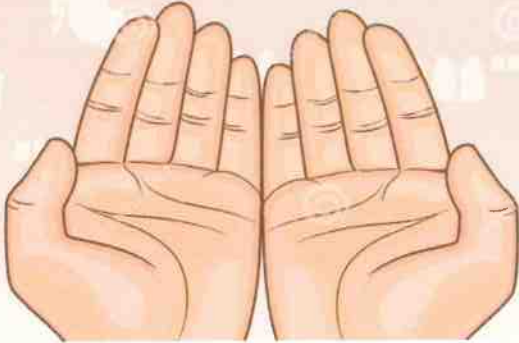
December 1, 2018

The PAC would like to invite all students to a Movie Night on Saturday December 1, 2018 at 6:00pm. Tickets will be \$2 at the door for children who are 5 and older. In addition Pizza, popcorn, and baked goods will be sold during the movie night.

Bake Sale

Du'aa and Qur'an Competition

December 6, 2018 & December 20, 2018



Emergency, Unscheduled and Snow Closures

As winter weather approaches, we want to remind parents/guardians of the School's winter weather procedures and announcements. In the event of an unscheduled school closure caused by snow, emergency, or extraordinary circumstances, the school closure will be decided by 6:15 a.m. at the latest and will be announced through clasdojo and the media (Global TV, CBC TV, CKWX News AM 1130 radio.) As house calls will not be made we urge parents to contact their class teachers in order to join clasdojo. Families are encouraged to establish an emergency plan for their children in the event that schools are closed, the school's start time is delayed, or students are dismissed early. This is a reminder that all students need to dress warmly and appropriately for winter weather conditions.

DECEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Library KG-3 (books drop off)	5 Gr. 1&2 Puppet Show	6 Bake Sale for Dua/Quran Quran Competition PAC Meeting	7 Report Cards Out	8
9	10	11 Parents Phone in for P/T interviews. Li-	12 Parents Phone in for P/T interviews	13	14 Pro-D day P/T Interviews	15
16	17	18	19	20 PAC Bake Sale— Dua / Quran Competition	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Winter Break 24– January 4						
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