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Jarvis Traditional Elementary School

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

I'm sure parents wonder why we have professional development days and what we do when they occur. We have never learned all that there is to learn or discovered the varied ways in which children learn best. Our professional development days are in place to allow us to continually refine our practice based on the best evidence available.

This October we had two professional days on the schedule. Teachers and Education Assistants were able to attend conferences around the Lower Mainland related to their primary area of educational interest.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTO RETAKES – NOVEMBER 1ST

Darby Photos will be here in the morning of November 1st for photo retakes and to take photos of students who were absent for the first photo day. If you would like your child to have a retake please complete the student information section of the original photo order form and send it to school with your child (with the proof attached). If you cannot find the original order form and proof, please write a note including your child's name and division, indicating you have lost the proof and that you would like a retake photo.

VOLLEYBALL SEASON

Volleyball practices have begun for interested students in Grades 6 & 7. We will be looking for parents to support us by driving students to games that are held at other schools. We will be playing against teams from Heath, Chalmers, Cougar Canyon, Pinewood, Chalmers and Sunshine Hills. If your child has been coming to practices, they will receive the necessary information and schedule.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Friday, November 10th, we ask that all students wear their most formal Jarvis School uniform in honour of Remembrance Day. We will have our assembly on Friday, November 10th at 10:45am and there will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, November 13th.

WEATHER REMINDER

The weather has turned cold. Please ensure your children come to school dressed for playing outside at recess and lunchtime and also pack an extra pair of socks, shoes and pants into their backpacks for really rainy days! It is important for students to have fresh air and they will be going outside on rainy days.



LUNCH TIME REMINDERS

If you do not send your child with their lunch and you intend to bring it before 12:15 pm, please let your child know that he/she can pick it up on the lunch table in the hallway. Parents are

asked **not** to deliver the lunches directly to the classrooms and students are **not** allowed to go into the parking lot to get their lunches. Please leave the lunch at the office.

PARKING & SAFETY

It is best if you drop your children off a block away from school and have them walk, if possible. The fresh air helps wake children up, and a little bit of exercise gets their blood flowing. Please remember that the lane when leaving the school is drop-off only. Please pull up as far as possible when letting your children out of the car, and ensure your children are getting out of your car as quickly as possible.



We have a large number of parents who need to drive their children to school because they do not live near the school. If you live within walking distance, please walk your children to school. Please respect the rules around the school in regards to driving and parking. You cannot turn left into our parking lot or to leave our parking lot. Do not drive into our round about because it is a fire lane. You may drop your child off at the drop off/pick up area but do not leave your car unattended.

We know everyone is in a hurry in the morning, but there are close to 300 families at our school and if everyone does not follow the rules, it is very dangerous for our kids.

Thank you to the families who are respecting our parking lot rules even when Mr. Preddy and I are not outside. Your respect and integrity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

SUPERVISION OUTSIDE

Please note that the outside supervision of students does not begin until 8:35 am in the morning before school. The school staff are preparing for the school day and often administration is in meetings with teachers before or after school. Students are not to be at school before that time, as we cannot ensure that there will be supervision for them until that time. After school, student supervision ends at 3:15 pm and students should be on their way home. Thank you for your understanding and your cooperation.

EARLY PICK UP

If you are going to be picking your child up early for a doctor's appointment, etc., *please send a note to the teacher* so that they can be prepared and have the student at the office waiting for you.

PARENT CONNECT STUDENT EMERGENCY INFORMATION



Please ensure that you regularly update your e-mail and all emergency contact information for your child in Parent Connect.

To access, by using parent/guardian email (as defined in the student's record):

<https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignore.aspx>

LATE ARRIVALS AND ABSENCE REPORTING

It is very important that all students arriving after the 8:57 am bell sign in at the office and receive a late slip prior to going to their classrooms. Once your child has signed in and picked up a late slip it is not necessary for you to accompany them to their classroom. Your cooperation with this safety measure is much appreciated.



If your child will be absent, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL before 8:52 am. The school phone has an answering machine to record messages before 8:00 am and after 3:30 pm.

Research has shown that the habits that your children are forming now will have an impact on their future. As such, we would encourage students to make a concerted effort to arrive to school on time. Please help your child to develop the important habit of timeliness.

CALENDAR REMINDERS



<i>November 1</i>	★ Photo Retakes (morning)
	★ George Mackie Library – Div. 12
<i>November 2</i>	★ Fruit & Veggie Day
	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball game at Jarvis
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball game at Chalmers
<i>November 3</i>	★ Strong Start CLOSED
<i>November 7</i>	★ Strong Start CLOSED
	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball game at Jarvis
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball game at Cougar Canyon
<i>November 9</i>	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball game at Cougar Canyon
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball game at Jarvis
<i>November 10</i>	★ Hot Lunch – Pizza
	★ Remembrance assembly
<i>November 13</i>	★ Remembrance Day – NO SCHOOL
<i>November 14</i>	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball at Jarvis
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball at Pinewood
<i>November 16</i>	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball at Pinewood
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball at Jarvis
<i>November 17</i>	★ Strong Start CLOSED
<i>November 20</i>	★ PAC Meeting – 6:00 pm
<i>November 21</i>	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball at Sunshine Hills
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball at Jarvis
<i>November 23</i>	★ Fruit & Veggie Day
	★ Hot Lunch – Pizza
	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball game at Jarvis
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball game at Sunshine Hills
<i>November 24</i>	★ PRO-D – NO SCHOOL
	★ Strong Start CLOSED
<i>November 28</i>	★ Gr. 7 Volleyball game at Chalmers
	★ Gr. 6 Volleyball game at Jarvis
<i>November 30</i>	★ Casual Day
	★ Reifel Bird Sanctuary – Div. 11
<i>December 5</i>	★ Nutcracker – Div. 9, 11 & 12
<i>December 6</i>	★ Nutcracker – Div. 1, 2, 3 & 4
<i>December 7</i>	★ Fruit & Veggie Day
<i>December 18</i>	★ PAC Meeting – 6:00 pm
<i>December 20</i>	★ Winter Concert
<i>December 21</i>	★ Casual Day – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
<i>December 22 – January 7</i>	★ WINTER BREAK – NO SCHOOL
<i>January 8</i>	★ First Day of School

PAC News



WELCOME BACK MESSAGE FROM PAC

A warm welcome to our new parents & welcome back parents of returning students! We are more excited than ever to continue building relationships and strengthening our school community!

WHO IS THE PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

All parents and guardians of students registered in the school are automatically voting members of the Jarvis PAC. The School Act gives parents the right, through the PACs, to assume an advisory role in every school.

HOW DOES A PAC WORK

PACs, with strong participation from parents, have an important influence on life at the school and the feelings the community has towards the school and education. There is strong evidence that increased parent involvement in the school results in increased student achievement, accomplishment, satisfaction and bonding: all of which we want our children to have!

THE PURPOSE OF THE PAC IS

- To encourage and promote communication between the parents/guardians, school staff and administration;
- To provide parents with the opportunity to gain greater understanding of our school;
- To give input into school-based decisions;
- To improve the sense of community in our school/neighborhood;
- To fund additional activities and initiatives that benefits our Jarvis students to help create a more comfortable and engaging environment.

YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Parents are encouraged and invited to bring forth issues, suggestions or ideas by:

- Attending monthly PAC meeting (the 3rd Monday of every month)
- Contacting a PAC executive member
- Sending a letter or email to jarvispac@gmail.com

CURRENT PAC EXECUTIVE 2017 - 2018

President	Stephen Platzer
Vice President	Ambee Minhas
Secretary	Jennifer Walters
Treasurer	Joy Forbes
Events & Fundraising	Rashwinder (Renu) Athwal

M&M FOOD MARKET SCHOOL

Stop and shop at our local M&M at 112 St. & 84th Ave – mention “Jarvis Traditional” at check out and they will continue to donate 15% of your purchase back to our school! It’s that simple!



UPCOMING EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS

- Primary playground
- Christmas Purdy’s chocolates

We always need extra hands and volunteers to help us make these fun things happen for our children. And of course any new ideas are always welcome! Send us an email at: jarvispac@gmail.com