

# JESSIE WOWK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Welcome back to all the returning families to Jessie Wowk and to all of our new students and families. Students are settling into their new classrooms and routines and the school is busy putting the final touches on all of our schedules. The fall weather seems to be starting up—please remember to have students dress accordingly and be prepared for some colder days and the possibility of showers. Unstructured play time is incredibly important in a child's development as it engages their curiosity and creativity and allows them ample time to problem solve and to use their social skills with their friends. Saying that, we aim to have the students outside as much as possible, including some time out in the rain. An inside day will be called if it raining really hard outside. Students will be required to go outside most days.

I would like to say Thank you to all of the students, staff and families at Jessie Wowk that have greeted me with such warmth and enthusiasm. I am feeling very much at home in this community and I am very excited to continue to learn more about the community and to grow with it.

Thank you,  
Ms. J. Rooney  
Principal

## Meet the Teacher

This coming Thursday, September 21st from 6-7pm is Meet the Teacher night at Jessie Wowk. We have a couple of new faces for you to meet.

The shape of the evening is:

**6:00pm**—Meet in the gym and we will introduce the whole staff and share a quick video of our school year thus far.

**6:20pm**—Meet the teacher session #1—parents are invited to head to their child(ren)'s class to meet the teacher and take a peek into their classroom

**6:40pm**—Meet the teacher session #2—for families that may have 2 or more children—you can move to the other classrooms and meet

## ABSENTEE LINE

**604-668-6198**

Please call if your child will be late or absent



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## BELL TIMES AND WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Monday: 8:45am-1:00pm - every week**

Runch Break: 10:30 - 11:00am

Dismissal: **1:00pm**

**Tuesday - Friday: 8:45am - 3:00pm**

Recess: 10:30am - 10:45am

Lunch: 12:20pm - 1:15pm

Dismissal: **3:00pm**

## Terry Fox Run

Thank you to all of the students, staff and families that made the Terry Fox Run a huge success! To the students that collected the money and counted it, Mr. Angman's great colouring on the poster and the parents who volunteered their time on the course and in putting together the blueberry snacks for after the run. A true testament to the statement, "It takes a village to raise a child!" The weather was lovely for an afternoon of walking and running and with the generosity of the Timberwolves community, we have raised over \$830, as of Friday afternoon. Terry Fox would be so proud!



## Lunch drop off

If you are dropping off your child's lunch sometime throughout the morning—please put the lunch on the table just inside the main entrance. There is a pen, labels and tape for you to label your child's lunch. Students without a lunch check the table first for lunch and then if needed, a phone call home will be made. We are encouraging the independence of all students and they quickly learn what to do if they do not see lunch in their backpack.

### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

**Tuesday, September 19**—PAC meeting 8:45-10:15am in the library—ALL parents are welcome

**Wednesday, September 20**—PAC pizza lunch—slices for \$2 each—EVERY Wednesday!

**Thursday, September 21**—Meet the Teacher night—6pm-7pm

**Friday, September 22**—Professional Day—No school for students

**Monday, September 25**—Student Photo Day—get your smile on!

**Monday, October 2 through Friday, October 6**—Badminton lessons for all students—sponsored by the PAC

**Friday, October 6**—SUSHI day—lunch sponsored by the PAC

**Monday, October 9**—Thanksgiving Day—School closed



**Welcome to some NEW staff members and to some shifts in others' teaching roles**

We would like to take this opportunity to share with you some new faces you will see at Wowk

Susan MacNeil -Kindergarten—will be here all week!

Michelle Hutchinson—Librarian—she works Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Erin Keillor—LRT/ELL—returning from a maternity leave-works Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Jennifer Yan—Relief—will be teaching some music and physical education—works Wednesday and Thursday

Feryn Kowall—Speech and Language Pathologist (SLP)-working Thursday mornings

Tyler Gustafson—Grade 4/5—will be here all week!

Brenda Khoo—Band teacher—part days on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Elaine Ten-Pow—Grade 1—will be teaching full time this year

# **PARKING LOT**

A reminder that the lot to the west is for staff parking only. Please do not park or drop off in this space before or after school.

The parking lot to the east is for drop-off and pick up.

**Drop-off-** Please drive your car to the farthest spot available and drop your child off. If you want to walk in with your child, you will need to park in a parking spot. If no parking spot is available, please DO NOT park in the drop-off area. This will cause a back-up of traffic and make it unsafe for students and families.

**Pick-up-** Please do not park your car in the drop-off zone and leave it—wait in your car for your child or find a parking spot if you need to leave your car to meet your child. One lane needs to



## **MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS**

In an effort to reduce, reuse and recycle, Wowk is posting the monthly newsletter on our website. In addition, hard copies will be available at the office. Please advise the office of your email address if you did not indicate on the verification form.

