



Wowk News

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The Week Ahead: February 27 - March 3

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February 28	PAC Meeting / 6:30 - 7:30 pm
March 1	Pizza Day
March 2	PAC Hot Lunch Illumidance Fine Arts Performace / 1:30 pm in Gym
March 3	Book Fair (In Library)

THANKS FOR READING

Scholastic Book Fair Starts Next Week

The book fair will be open:

Friday, March 3

Monday, March 6

Wednesday, March 8

Parents and their children are welcome to shop from 8:15 to 8:40 each morning and right after school until 5 p.m. Your child will also have the opportunity to come to the book fair in their library block. With a wide variety of books at all reading levels, low prices, and the opportunity to look before purchasing, it's a great opportunity to help your child strengthen their reading skills.

Interested in volunteering? There are still a few more spots open to sign up and help out. Thank you to all parents who have already signed up! Here is the link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084faba82ca6fa7-book2#/>

Save the Date - Camp Cheakamus Outdoor Education Information Session for Families / Thursday, March 2nd in the Library @ 4:45 pm.

This is just a reminder for families of our grade 6 and 7 learners that Matt from Camp Cheakamus will be hosting an information session for families for our upcoming Outdoor Education program on May 1 - 3. Any families who would like to learn more about the program are welcome to attend. If you have any questions about this event, please contact the office.

Pink Shirt Day

It was great to see so many people in our community wearing pink this past Wednesday for Pink Shirt Day. Students in the school participated in a school wide activity where we talked about the importance of Caring for Others in our school and reflected upon what we can do everyday to make sure that everyone feels safe and included here in our school. Students designed a hand and reflected upon a way in which they can Care for Others. Their designs are unique and powerful and will look amazing as part of our whole school display that will be in our main hallways. Families are welcome to come into the school to have a look at the display once it is completed early next week. We will also be having a short assembly on Friday where we will celebrate some of our learning from Pink Shirt Day and our new school common language called Wowk Cares.



Wowk Cares

Here at Jessie Wowk we will be talking a lot more about our new common language at the school called *Wowk Cares*. As a staff we have spent a good deal of time learning more about the importance of Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and having common language in our school community. We have learned that when we use common language, consistent expectations are set forth for everyone and this is critical to help support student performance, both socially and academically. It also provides opportunities for all of us to think about how we can make decisions that are positive for ourselves and others and help create a positive learning community. Here is how our common language will read:

At Jessie Wowk, we Care for Self, Care for Others, and Care for this Place.

We will be embarking on this journey together and talking a lot more about what it means to Care for Self, Care for Others, and Care for this Place here at Jessie Wowk. We are excited to reach out to you, our families, in the near future with more information about our *Wowk Cares* model.

PAC Updates

Here is the link for those who would like to attend our upcoming PAC meeting this Tuesday online:
[PAC Meeting](#)

Parents! Kids! You have all been asking each month when we are going to bring back Kernels Popcorn! Due to popular demand, **KERNELS POPCORN** will be popping in Spring early! Please join the Grade 7 Grad Committee Members on **Friday, March 3, 2023** after school by the front entrance to pick up your long awaited POPCORN!

Thank you for your ongoing support for the Grade 7s!!!

Important Dates Coming Up

March 2 - Illuminance Presentation
March 3, 6 and 8 - Scholastic Book Fair
March 9 - Learning Updates to Families
March 10 - Spring Break Begins
March 27 - Return From Spring Break
April 5 - Greg Kennedy Performance
April 7 - Good Friday / No School
April 10 - Easter Monday / No School
April 21 - Class / Group Photos
May 1 - 3 - Outdoor Ed for Grades 6/7

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Dates (March)

Irish Heritage Month
6 - Magha Puja Day (Buddhism)
6 - 7 - Purim (Judaism)
8 - International Women's Day
8 - Holi (Hinduism)
21 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
21 - 30 - Chaitra Navratri (Hinduism)
22 - Ramadan Begins (Islam)
30 - Ram Navami (Hinduism)
31 - International Transgender Day of Visibility

Questions about symptoms and wondering if a Covid test is needed? Please go to:
<https://covidcheck.gov.bc.ca/>

