



**Jessie Wowk News / January 29 – February 2**

<b>January 29 Monday</b>	Professional Development Day – No School
<b>January 30 Tuesday</b>	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm in the library
<b>January 31 Wednesday</b>	Hot Lunch: Pizza Day ( <a href="#">Order on Munch-a-Lunch</a> ) Lockdown Drill at 10:00 am / Boys Basketball Game at Errington
<b>February 1 Thursday</b>	Hot Lunch: ( <a href="#">Order on Munch-a-Lunch</a> )
<b>February 2 Friday</b>	

**Lockdown Drill – Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am**

We're writing to let you know about a safety procedure that we have at the school called a lockdown drill.

Jessie Wowk Elementary, along with the rest of the Richmond School District, is committed to promoting Safe Schools for all students and staff. Part of that commitment is ensuring staff and students are trained and prepared to respond to any threat, minor or serious, to our school population.

Just as we practice safe procedures in case of earthquake or fire, we will now prepare for other situations that might happen in our school neighbourhood (such as a broken gas line) or within our school (such as an intruder). These situations would lead us to follow "**Hold and Secure**" procedures – a **perimeter** lockdown.

For an intruder or a any other danger inside the school, we would follow **Lockdown Procedures**. These procedures have been developed with the support of law enforcement agencies and are consistent through all metro school districts.

We will have "**lockdown**" **drill on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am** to simulate effective responses to potential safety threats. All staff members have practiced the drill before in previous years and classroom teachers have discussed the steps involved in a school lockdown with their students. You know your child best and if you feel your child would benefit from some reassurance, please have a brief conversation with him or her before the drill.

If you have any questions about the lockdown drill, please call the school at 604-668-6198.

## Social Media Awareness Family Sessions

Safer Schools Together, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, is offering “Social Media Awareness” family sessions. These sessions are designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world. Dates, times and information to register can be found here: [Safer Schools Together](#)

## Community Services Connectors Program

The City of Richmond is piloting a new way for people with lower incomes to connect with community services in Richmond. Community Service Connectors have experience navigating social service and government systems, and can help families find information about social service benefits, affordable housing supports, affordable family services, free and low-cost food, employment resources, transportation, as well as other community programs and assistance.



# Community Services Connectors Program



## Are you a Richmond resident with a lower income looking for services or support?

Drop by the Living Room at **Ironwood Library**, enjoy a drink and a snack, and chat with a Community Services Connector.

### When:

Every Sunday  
From January 28 - May 26  
2:00 - 4:00pm

### Where:

Ironwood Library  
8200-11688 Steveston Hwy,  
Richmond, BC



For more information, visit: [richmond.ca/CommunityResources](http://richmond.ca/CommunityResources)



Jessie Wowk Elementary

**CARES**



PAC Message and Announcements



# BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

FASTER & EASIER  
TO RETURN YOUR  
DRINK CONTAINERS

## 4 Easy Steps:

- 1 Bring your unsorted containers in sealed, clear or transparent bags of under 90-litre capacity to an Express site. Tip: put only a maximum of 12 glass bottles in each bag to prevent breakage.
- 2 Use the school's phone number **604-668-6198** to login at an Express Kiosk at Return-It OR **get labels from Mrs. Lunny** at Wowk's Office
- 3 Put the label on your bag(s) and leave them with Return-It
- 4 Return-It will sort & count, and Wowk's Account will be credited with the deposit refund. Jessie Wowk will redeem the money afterwards.



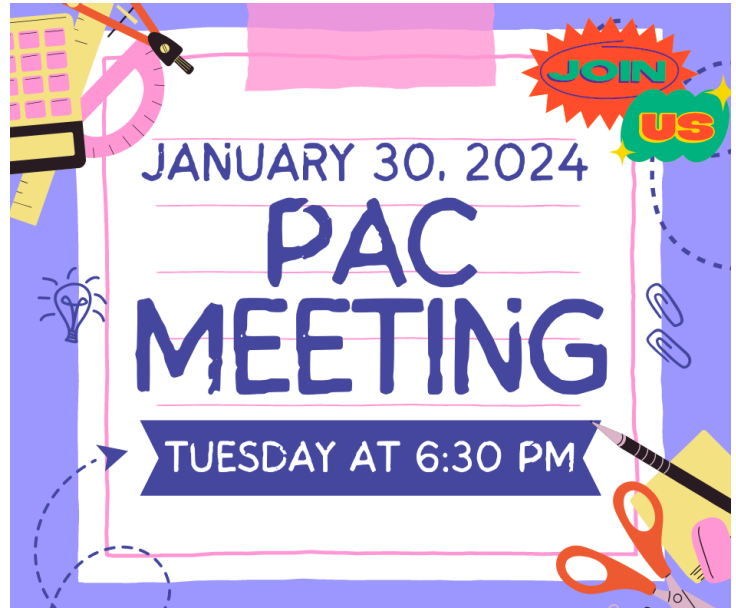
## Blundell

130-8180 No. 2 Road,  
Richmond, BC V7C 5K1



## Ironwood

Unit 110 - 11020 Horseshoe  
Way, Richmond, BC V7A 4V5



GREAT & EASY WAY TO FUNDRAISE FOR OUR SCHOOL  
BY RECYCLING YOUR BOTTLES FROM HOME!



## DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT

# HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

**As we learn and work together, we will...**

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.



Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct  
is available online at:  
[sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct](http://sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct)

## **Important Dates Coming Up**

### January

29 – Professional Development Day

31 – Lockdown Drill

### February

5 – Improv Fine Arts Performance

19 – Family Day Weekend

23 – Fire Drill

28 – Pink Shirt Day

29 – Student Led Conferences – Dismissal at 11:50 am

### March

8 – Earthquake Drill

14 – Last Day before Spring Break

## **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Dates (January)**

1 – Kwanzaa Ends

1 – Ochetookesaskaw – Kissing Day / Hand Shaking Day (Metis)

2 – Mid Winter Ceremony

14 – Maghi (Sikhism)

15 – Black Excellence Day

17 – Raoul Wallenberg Day

17 – Guru Gobindh Singh Birthday

21 – Lincoln Alexander Day

24 – World Day for African and Afrodescendant Day

29 – National Day of Remembrance of the Quebec City Mosque Attack and Action Against Islamophobia

Thank you for taking the time to read this important information for our Jessie Wowk Community. As always, if you have any questions, please contact us here at the school.

Sincerely,

**Mr. Chris Daum**

Principal / Jessie Wowk Elementary

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