



Jessie Wowk News / March 11 - 15

March 11 Monday	Division 5 Field Trip to Terra Nova
March 12 Tuesday	Boys Basketball Game at Wowk vs. Blair Division 3 Field Trip PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm in Library
March 13 Wednesday	Family Teams Activity at 10:50 am / Hot Lunch: Pizza Day (Order on Munch-a-Lunch) Girls Basketball Game at Wowk vs. DeBeck Boys Basketball Game at Bridge Elementary
March 14 Thursday	Hot Lunch: (Order on Munch-a-Lunch) Last Day of School
March 15 Friday	First Day of Spring Break. No school.

Congratulations to our Basketball Teams







We would like to acknowledge the efforts of the girls and boys basketballs teams during both the Steveston London and Hugh Boyd feeder tournaments. Both teams showed outstanding sportsmanship and did a tremendous job representing their school. The season concludes this week with each team having one final game. I would like to extend a great deal of appreciation on behalf of our community to our coaches, Mr. Ray, Mr. Kirkegaard and Mr. Lorenz, for taking their personal time to make these experiences possible for our grade 6/7 students.

"Ramadhan Mubarak" to our Muslim Students and Families

Ramadhan this year occurs from March 10 to April 10, 2024 (or close to these dates). Ramadhan is a time when Muslims fast from dawn to dusk. At Jessie Wowk, our staff would like to express our recognition of this spiritual month for our Muslim students and families and wish you a "Ramadhan Mubarak". As our Muslim students and families in our communities embark on a month of self-discipline, community, charity, sacrifice, resilience, compassion, and spiritual and physical benefits, our staff is committed to honouring diversity and would like to send our best wishes to our Muslim students and their families. The attached document has been shared with our staff so that we build awareness and a sense of belonging for all. Feel free to be a part of our learning community and familiarize yourself with Ramadhan.

Feeding Futures Program and Snacks

Our school district's Feeding Future Program has provided all schools with a community fridge as well as snacks delivered to the school on a bi-weekly basis. The snacks so far have included fruit, granola bars (peanut free), and boiled eggs. The purpose of this program is to help ensure that all students have access to healthy food options during the school day, especially students and families that can benefit from these supports. The snacks are available in the fridge and students are welcome to grab a snack if needed.

To help make sure the snacks get to those who need them most, we have had discussions with all divisions about when a good time would be to grab a snack. We kindly ask for families to also discuss with their child(ren) that the snacks are there for those who **need** a snack, and not necessarily those who **want** one of the snacks. Hopefully the chart below can help with this discussion:

Please Take a Snack If:

- You didn't eat breakfast, don't have a lunch, and/or don't have a snack with you
- You forgot your snack
- You dropped or lost your snack

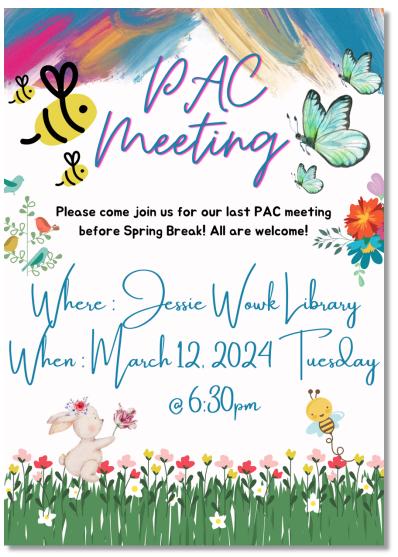
It's probably not best to grab a snack if/when:

- the snack you have from home is fine, but you'd rather have what's in the fridge
- you are hungry and it's close to lunch or snack time, though you have an adequate amount of food in your backpack

We thank you for your support in ensuring that the snacks are available and get to the students who need them most during the school day. If you have any questions, please contact us here at the school.

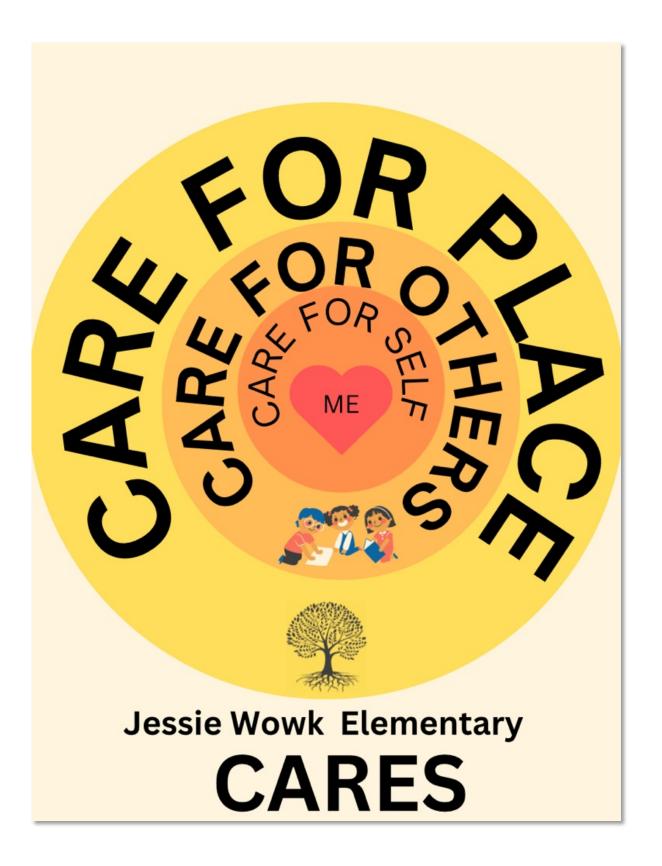


PAC Message and Announcements











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...

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



Important Dates Coming Up

March

14 – Last Day before Spring Break

15 – 28 – Spring Break

29 – Good Friday (School Closed)

April

1 – Easter Monday (School Closed)

5 – Fire Drill

22 - Class Photo Day

24 - Reports / Learning Updates Go Home

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Dates (March)

March

Irish Heritage Month

1 Zero Discrimination Day

8 Maha Shivaratri 🕉

8 International Women's Day

10 Ramadan Begins (Ends April 9) 🕒

15 Int'l Day to Combat Islamophobia

19 Nowruz - Iranian (Persian) New Year

21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

23-24 Purim ♥

25-27 Hola Mohalla 🎔

25 Holi 🕉

25 International Day of Remembrance of Slavery Victims and the Transatlantic Slave Trade

29 Good Friday †

31 Easter Sunday †



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,

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