



Jessie Wowk News / April 22 – 29

April 22 Monday	Edge Imaging Class, Group, and Panorama Photos (AM)
April 23 Tuesday	Track Attack Starts PAC Meeting at 6:30 in Library
April 24 Wednesday	Hot Lunch: Pizza Day (Order on Munch-a-Lunch) Report Cards Available on the MyEd Parent Portal Track Attack
April 25 Thursday	Hot Lunch: (Order on Munch-a-Lunch) Grade 6/7 Whistler Cantando Music Festival Field Trip Track Attack
April 26 Friday	Track Attack

Saleema Noon Body Science Presentations – Important Information – Please Read

We would like our families to know that this year Jessie Wowk will be having Saleema Noon Body Science workshops for students in grades K – 7. Attached along with newsletter are two letters that we kindly ask for parents to please read regarding the Saleema Noon program and workshops for parents and students. One letter outlines the Jessie Wowk Parent Workshop that will be available to families via Zoom on Monday, May 6th at 6:30 pm. The second letter presents information regarding the Body Science Workshops that will take place for students in grades K – 7 on Friday, May 10th.



The Saleema Noon Body Science program is an important opportunity for our students as it delivers comprehensive education on Body Science and provides a safe and informed environment for navigating these crucial aspects of life. After reading through all of the information regarding the program and you find that you have questions or would like to have a conversation, I strongly encourage you to please contact myself here at the office or email me at cdaum@sd38.bc.ca and we can make an appointment to meet. I would like to thank our PAC committee for sponsoring this opportunity for our students.

Happy Passover



This year, **Jewish Passover** begins before sundown on Monday, April 22 and ends after nightfall on April 30. Many Jewish communities will hold seders (ceremonial meals) the first two nights of the springtime holiday. We would like to wish all of our Jewish families in our community who observe this important time of year a Happy Passover.

Reports / Learning Updates Available This Wednesday

This is a reminder for families that your child(ren)'s Learning Updates will be available to families on the MyEd Parent Portal this Wednesday from 2:30 pm onwards. If you are not able to logon to the portal or have difficulty accessing your child's learning update, please contact the office.

Student and Family Affordability Fund

The provincial government recently announced a renewal of one time funds for the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:

- school and course fees
- school supplies and course materials
- field trips
- school-related extracurricular opportunities
- clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities

Please reach out to Mr. Daum if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Track Attack Starts Next Week!

We're excited to announce that Track Attack begins next week for students in grades 3 – 7. This 7 day program will allow all of our students who are participating to learn about the sport of Track and Field and practice the skills involved in each of the events that will take place at our District Zone Track Meet which Wowk will be attending on Thursday, May 16th at Minoru Field. The program will start on Tuesday and take place over the next 7 days of good weather following. Students will be practicing in their grade groups high jump, long jump, softball throw, sprints, relay, long distance and shotput and discuss (grade 6/7 only). If your child is participating and as best as you can, we ask for families to please send your child to school in clothing and footwear that they can be active in.



Staff Update

Unfortunately our wonderful Noon Hour Supervisor Ms. Rana Shamon has had to take some time away from her role and will no longer be here at Jessie Wowk. We appreciate the care and support that Ms. Rana showed each of our students and we wish her all the best. She will be missed.

I would like to welcome Ms. Sheriza Wu to Jessie Wowk as our newest member of our Noon Hour Supervisor team. Ms. Wu has already had the chance to meet many of our students here at the school and learn about the Jessie Wowk community. We're happy to have her here.

Class and Group Photos

This is a reminder for families that Edge Imaging will be here on Monday, April 22nd and students will have their class photos taken as well as our school panorama photo.

Summer Learning

Please have a look at our Summer Learning Program Catalogue for 2024. This year we have planned a variety of engaging and enriching programs for students who are currently attending Kindergarten to Grade 11.

We hope you will find something that is of interest for your child.

We look forward to having your child/ren join us this summer:

Link: [Summer Learning Program Catalogue 2024](#)

Events for Parents and Caregivers

[Earth Week is April 20 – 28](#)

Earth Week is happening April 20-28 with lots of free and low-cost family-friendly activities. Please check out the following City of Richmond link for more information: <https://www.richmond.ca/culture/calendar/special-events/earthweek.htm>



[Beyond Behaviours: When is it More? Ages 4 – 8 years.](#)

It can be tricky to tell if our kids' development is on track, if they are going through a phase, or struggling with something more? You are not alone. Join us in person to watch a 30 minute video conversation with Karen Peters, a mental health



therapist who supports children, teens and families, for a discussion about understanding the developmental stages of 6 to 8 year old children.

Come together with other families to watch this video presentation followed by a facilitated discussion by the Family Peer Support Workers in Richmond.

Please go here for more information: [Family Smart](#)

Connecting with Kids: An Online Event with Kim Barthell

We know that having caring, connected conversations can significantly impact the mental health of children and youth. Join us to listen to Kim Barthel talk about having more self-compassion, self-awareness and knowledge about the art and science of relationships. Our kids mean so much to us, and yet disconnection, dissociation and even the potential for self-harm is very real. A holistic and engaging story-teller, Kim will introduce the basics of attunement, attachment theory, trauma-sensitive practice, sustainable self-care and above all the power of connection and inclusion.

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PAC Messages and Announcements

PAC MEETING

JESSIE WOWK LIBRARY

APRIL 23, 2024
TUESDAY @ 6:30 PM

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS,
PLEASE EMAIL:
PAC.JESSIEWOWK@GMAIL.COM



We are switching!
PASTA
Thursday



PAC IS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE OFFICIALLY SWITCHING OVER TO OLIVE LUNCH ON ALTERNATING THURSDAYS WHEN WE ARE BACK IN APRIL!

IT WILL BE REPLACING WIN WIN CHICKEN!

\$7.50 EACH

Options:

- TOMATO CHEESY BEEF PASTA (CONTAINS DAIRY)
- TOMATO SAUCE ITALIAN MEATBALLS PASTA (CONTAINS DAIRY)
- TOMATO SAUCE WITH MUSHROOM PASTA (VEGAN & NON DAIRY)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE EMAIL
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Jessie Wowk Elementary

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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

Important Dates Coming Up

April

22 - Class Photo Day

24 – Reports / Learning Updates Go Home

May

6 – Saleema Noon Parent Information Session at 6:30 pm

9 – Steveston London Fun Day (grade 7s attend)

10 – Saleema Noon Body Science Workshops (K-7)

16 – Track and Field Meet at Minoru

17 – Professional Development Day

20 – Victoria Day (no school)

23 – Welcome to Kindergarten

June

7 – Sports Day

21 – Grade 7 Farewell

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Dates (April)

April

Sikh Heritage Month

Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month

1 Easter Monday †

9 Ramadan Ends ☾

9-17 Chaitra Navratri ॐ

9 or 10 Eid-al-Fitr Celebration ☾

13 Vaisakhi ☪

14 International Day of Pink

14-20 Bangla Heritage Week

17 Ram Navami ॐ

22-30 Pesach ☪

23 Hanuman Jayanti ॐ



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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