

Jessie Wowk News / April 8 - 12

April 8 Monday	
April 9 Tuesday	
April 10 Wednesday	Hot Lunch: Pizza Day <u>(Order on Munch-a-Lunch)</u>
April 11 Thursday	Hot Lunch: <u>(Order on Munch-a-Lunch)</u>
April 12 Friday	

Working Together to Keep Our School Safe

Lunches and Picking Up Your Child Early From School

This is just a reminder for families that if you are dropping off a lunch for your child, we ask that you please do so by leaving it at the shelf at the main entrance. Please <u>do not</u> go to your child's classroom door and hand it to them directly as we require all doors except for the front entrance to be locked during the school day for safety reasons.

Also, if you need to pick up your child during the school day for an appointment, please come to the office and let Ms. Lunny know that you are at the school to pick up your child. We ask that you do not pick them up from the classroom doors. This step will help ensure that we know where all of our students are during the school day.



Jessie Wowk is an "Allergy Aware" School

As Jessie Wowk is an "allergy aware" school, we are kindly asking that when preparing your child's snack and lunch, please refrain from including any items containing tree nuts or peanuts. This can include peanut butter sandwiches, nut mixes, granola bars with nuts, and any other nut based products. We are also asking for families to please remind your child to not share snacks or lunches with others during the school day. We will also be reminding students of the importance of not sharing snacks and lunches. Please see the attached *Allergy Aware* document from Vancouver Coastal Health for more information.



Your cooperation and understanding in these Health and Safety matters is truly appreciated. By working together we can ensure that our students are safe and ready to learn in our school community. If you have any questions about this information, please don't hesitate to contact myself here at the school. Thank you.

Monday's Solar Eclipse

At this time all families have received information from the school district on behalf of Vancouver Coastal Health regarding the potential safety risks for children if they look directly at the sun during the solar eclipse that will take place on Monday, April 8th between 10:40 am and 12:20 pm. Please be advised that we will be adjusting our outside break times so that students are not outside during the eclipse. While we can try our best to educate our students about the safety risks that come about when looking at the sun during an eclipse and discourage them from doing so, we want to avoid any circumstances where students, particularly our younger ones, are not fully able to grasp the risks and still look at the sun / eclipse out of curiousity. Recess on Monday will take place from 10:15 – 10:30 am and outside time during the lunch break will take place from 12:25 – 12:55 pm with students eating lunch in the classrooms prior to going outside. We will ask our teacher to draw the blinds and keep students inside during this time.

If you have any questions about this information, please do not hesitate to connect with myself here at the school. Thank you.

April is Sikh Heritage Month



Nationally, April is the celebration of Sikh Heritage. Our local Sikh history and excellence is one to be acknowledged and shared. Once again at Jessie Wowk Elementary we are honoring our Sikh local history, students and families, by engaging in awareness and dialogue with our staffs and students by sharing this <u>Education Guide on the</u> <u>Sikh Faith</u> and by displaying Sikh Heritage posters as a way to engage our learning community in Sikh history and excellence. The following links will also provide information to families about Sikh Heritage month:

Sikh Heritage Month Canadian Heritage – Sikh Heritage Month

Parent Sessions on Social Media Awareness

In partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, Safer Schools Together is offering parent sessions on social media awareness. These sessions all take place in the evenings from 6:30 – 7:30pm and all parents/caregivers and their children (aged 10 and up) may attend.

The dates are: Tuesday, March 26 / Wednesday, April 10 / Tuesday, April 16

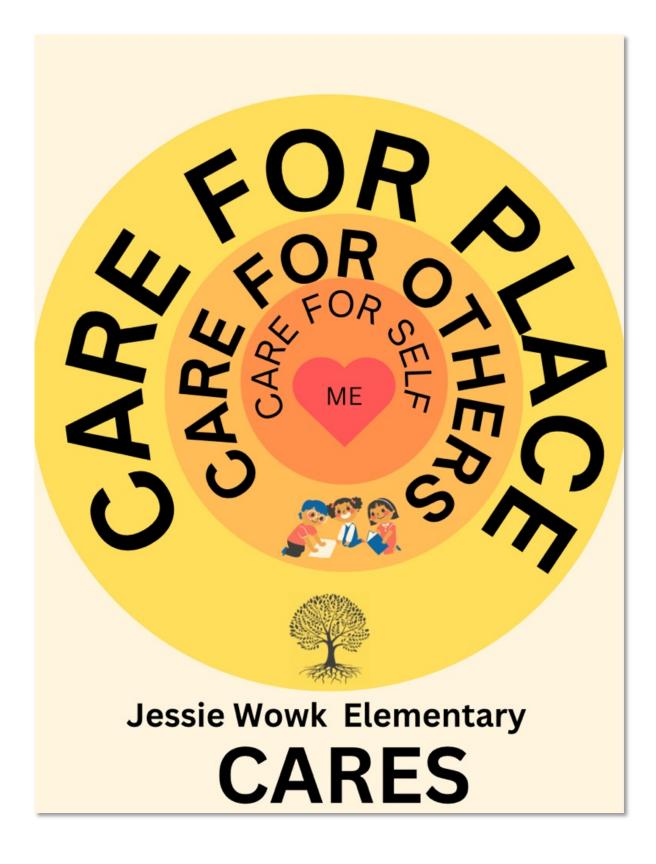
Trainings can be found at this link: erase Family Sessions (saferschoolstogether.com)



PAC Message and Announcements









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...

- 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.
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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

- 5 Fire Drill
- 22 Class Photo Day
- 24 Reports / Learning Updates Go Home

May

- 16 Track and Field Meet at Minoru
- 17 Professional Development Day

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 C
- 9-17 Chaitra Navratri 🕉

9 or 10 Eid-al-Fitr Celebration ${f G}$

- 13 Vaisakhi Ф
- 14 International Day of Pink
- 14-20 Bangla Heritage Week
- 17 Ram Navami 🕉
- 22-30 Pesach 뿌
- 23 Hanuman Jayanti 🕉



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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