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BI-WEEKLY MEMO

Date: January 21, 2019

From The PAC

Your James Bay Community School PAC has **ONE FREE TICKET available for any parent/caregiver interested in attending this year's VI Parent Conference, held Saturday, March 2nd**. The ticket must be claimed by emailing jamesbayschoolpac@gmail.com **THIS WEEK**, then you must register on the VI Parent Conference website by **FRIDAY JANUARY 25th**. All other interested attendees are encouraged to register before Feb 3 to receive the early bird rate of \$75.

Here are this year's conference details:

The Vancouver Island Parent Conference has been putting on world-class parenting conferences for over 10 years, bringing together attendees from across BC. This year's conference theme is "Change: It's Here to Stay" and features keynotes by Alyson Schafer and Ann Douglas.

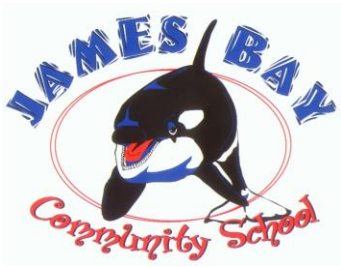
Come enjoy a day of connecting with other parents over important, of-the-moment issues. Learn useful tools and hear fresh perspectives from leading experts.

\$75 early bird rate is in effect until February 3, \$100 regular rate after that date. Cost includes lunch and refreshments for the day. The first 100 paid, non-sponsored registrants will receive a swag bag on the day of the conference.

From The Librarian

Family literacy day is on Sunday, January 27th this year. It's a good day to take a family trip to the library, crack open an old, favourite book, or read something new and exciting (like a magazine or instruction manual) together. To celebrate literacy as a school, we are inviting students to dress up as their favourite storybook characters on **Tuesday, January 29th**. Students can come as anything from The Cat in the Hat to Hermione--the only rule is the character had to be in a book before it was in a movie. If you have a copy of the book, feel free to send it in with your child, as Ms. St. Denis will be taking pictures of students and the books their costumes were inspired by. Thanks for supporting your child's love of reading!

Cheers,
Catherine



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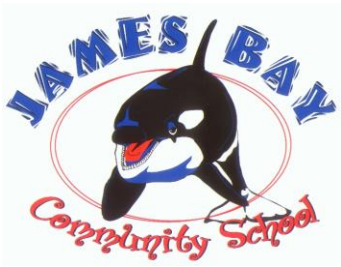
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2019/2020



AT JAMES BAY COMMUNITY SCHOOL
FOR CHILDREN BORN IN 2014

REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN
FROM
8:00AM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2019
TO
3:00PM ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2019

PLEASE NOTE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION BELOW



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Proof of Residential Address

Every home address in the Greater Victoria School District is connected to a catchment school. Students must register at their catchment school. To determine which schools are associated with a home address, visit the **School Locator Tool** at www.sd61.bc.ca. Type in the address and it will indicate which school the student should attend based on their residential address

For Renters

To provide proof of home address the following is required:

- A rental agreement signed by landlord with landlords contact phone number**

In addition, two of the following are required:

- Canadian bank or credit card statement**
- BC vehicle registration**
- Income tax statement**
- Renters Insurance documents**

For Home Owners

Two current copies of the following documents are required:

- Purchase agreement of home**
- Property tax statement**
- Home owner's insurance**
- Notice of Assessment**
- A purchase agreement (with subject removal and a deposit receipt if a recent purchase)**

If a homeowner can only produce one of the above, they must also produce two of the following:

- Canadian bank or credit card statement**
- BC vehicle registration**
- Income tax statement**
- Insurance documents**



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Discover Your Passion

in Middle School



Middle School Open House Information Nights

for Students and Parents

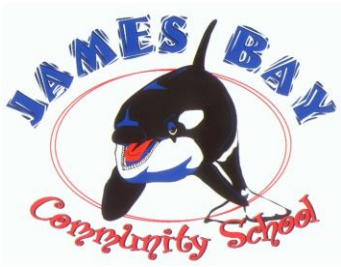
Arbutus	January 23	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Cedar Hill	January 22	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Central	January 23	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Colquitz	February 07	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Glanford	January 29	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Gordon Head	January 30	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Lansdowne	January 24	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monterey	January 31	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Rockheights	January 29	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Shoreline	January 24	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



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Looking Ahead

Monday, January 21

- Div. 10 Swan Lake presentation from 10:30am-11:30am

Tuesday, January 22

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Wednesday, January 23

- Div. 10 Museum from 12:45 pm-2:30 pm

Thursday, January 24

- ☺

Friday, January 25

- Pro-D Day  No school for Students



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Take 20 for Family Literacy Day 2019

Family Literacy Day is a national awareness initiative created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 and held annually on January 27 to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. January 27, 2019 will be the 20th anniversary of Family Literacy Day. In celebration of this milestone, ABC Life Literacy Canada is encouraging families to "Take 20" minutes to make learning together part of their everyday.

Engaging in literacy activities as a family improves a child's skills and also helps adults keep their skills sharp. Here are 20 ideas to get your family started!

1. **I wonder why?** Go online as a family and learn something new. Ever wonder why the ocean and sky are blue?
2. **Read ANYTHING!** A book, blog, magazine or letter from grandma. Read together and get in your 20 minutes each day.
3. **Be a Rockstar:** Sing along with the radio or do Karaoke – maybe a duet?
4. **Make something yummy:** Follow a family recipe or create a new one together.
5. **Travel the world:** Your library card is your passport to travel the world and to take a learning journey.
6. **Jot that down:** Write an e-mail, letter, blog post or text your family and friends. Which is the most fun?
7. **Scientist in the House:** Do a kitchen experiment or mix up a batch of playdough.
8. **It goes something like this:** Tell your favourite story and give it a new ending, or take turns making up a new story.
9. **Crafty Crafter:** Paper, glue, yarn, paint – so many things to create! Do a craft together.
10. **Stepper challenge:** Go for a walk and count your steps. How many steps to school, the park, your friend's house?
11. **Deal me in:** Play cards and keeping score is a fun way to practice counting.
12. **Tell it to me:** Tell someone about your day at dinnertime or pick-up the phone for a chat. What was the best part?
13. **Shopper Time:** Make a grocery list together with kids finding what's on the list and checking off the items (and maybe adding one special treat!)
14. **I'm on Staycation:** A vacation at home can be lots of fun. Plan a trip in your neighbourhood.
15. **Riddle me This:** Tell jokes and riddles while doing chores around the house – can you stump your parents?
16. **Know your hood:** Draw a map of your neighbourhood, adding in important places like school, library, doctor and pet store!
17. **Game-ON!** Play a board game and plan a family game night – invite your neighbours.
18. **Story Dynamo:** Make-up a story and draw a picture to go with it. First, show the picture to your friend and see if they can tell you what your story is about.
19. **Building Buddies:** Build something together with modeling clay or building blocks. Check out what Family Literacy Day Honourary Chair Barbara Reid can do with modeling clay!
20. **Did you Know?** Teach someone you know something new. Did you learn why the ocean and sky are blue yet?

Visit FamilyLiteracyDay.ca for more activity ideas, free downloadable resources and to check for local Family Literacy Day events.

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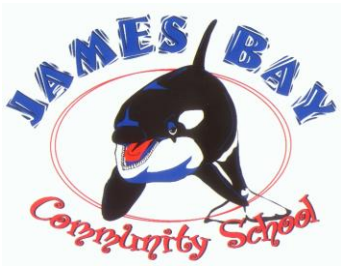
1000 Books by Age Five

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

January 27 - Family Literacy Day ...Donate books to increase early literacy

Do you know that reading books to babies and preschoolers is the most significant indicator of early school success? Cuddling and reading to your little ones shows that you value reading, builds comfort, enjoyment and early skills that last a lifetime.

Help make that true for those still to gain those habits. **January 27 is National Literacy Day.** As well as enjoying a new story with your child, please make an extra effort to drop of gently used picture books for babies and preschoolers in the drop box in the..... All very young children benefit from being read to – help make that a reality for more. Thank you for being part of the 172,000 books donated over the last eight years.



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Window Wanderland 2019

On February 22/23/24, 2019 the James Bay Community Centre and James Bay New Horizons are staging the 2nd annual Window Wanderland. The event is fun, free, and family friendly.

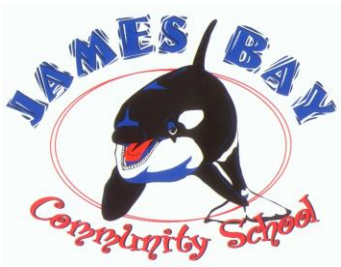
This amazing community celebration began in Bristol England in 2015, and has since spread to communities all over the UK. If you have not registered to participate it's not too late, follow the link below, and explore the video clips and photo library of past events to stir your imagination. <https://www.windowwanderland.com/event/james-bay-2019/> You will find our event by clicking the "find local events" button and scrolling down to find James Bay.

If you would like to view the amazing creations from last year's event please refer to the following YouTube link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxTcTRa0_I&feature=youtu.be Additional information can be found on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Window.Wanderland/> or email jamesbayww@gmail.com for more info. We are delighted to bring to our Community the second installment of Window Wanderland. This community celebration is brought to you by the James Bay Community Centre and James Bay New Horizons, funding for the event was made possible by a celebration grant from the City of Victoria.

Taking part is free, everyone is welcome; you can make a display in the windows of your home, apartment, business, car, and high rise. This inclusive event brings out the artist in all of us. February in Victoria can be dreary and we all need a little more light to brighten our spirits at this time of year. The event is a great way to engage with your neighbors, or get the entire family working on a project together. Get involved, be creative, be noticed, the materials you can use are unlimited, for inspiration and guidance go to www.windowwanderland.com

This year we are encouraging you to wear colorful clothing or add a reflective or light enhancing device to your person; this will make you more visible as you walk the streets of James Bay viewing the amazing window displays. The web site has a printable map of the participating businesses and residences.

While your are strolling the streets peering at the decorated windows, stop by the James Bay community Centre or New Horizons between 6:30-8:30 pm for some free hot chocolate to warm you up.



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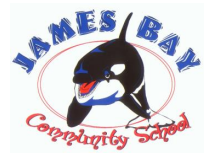
James Bay Community Centre & James Bay New Horizons
and funding from a City of Victoria Celebration Grant



  


Register now
and pin your window on the map!

Go to www.windowwanderland.com
click on **Events** and “James Bay 2019”

Feb 2019
22, 23, 24
6–9:30PM



 January 2019 James Bay Community School						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 National Literacy Day Café: 1,2,3,5,7	28 1:30 Celebration of Learning Assembly 	29 Family Literacy Day-Dress as your favorite storybook character.	30	31		
← Kindergarten Registration Week January 28-February 1, 2019 - 8:00am-3:00pm →						

 February 2019 James Bay Community School						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Café: 1,2,3,5,7					1	2
3 Café: 1,2,4,6, 10	4	5	6 The river was frozen.	7	8	9
K-12 Student Transfer Process February 19-25, 2019						