

# James Bay Community School

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## BI-WEEKLY MEMO

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**Date: February 8, 2021**

### **From The Principal**

Greeting James Bay Families,

Isn't it absolutely wonderful to see the sun and enjoy time outside in the cold fresh air ☺ It is so important to find little pleasures every day in the midst of extended regulations and guidelines.

As a staff we are spending time reviewing changes to the guidelines and ensuring that we are providing a safe, innovative and fun learning environment for your children every day. With this in mind, I thought it would be a good time to remind all of our families about ways that you can continue to support our school and community, ensuring that together we keep our students and staff as safe as we possibly can.

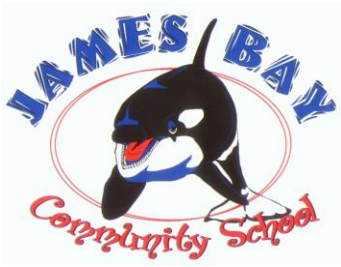
Please make sure that you are not dropping off your child in the morning before 8:30 AM. There is no supervision before this time and we want to make sure that your children are safe and supervised. I ask that all students are dropped off in the area close to their classroom door. This helps us to keep our kids in their assigned cohorts and classroom areas as soon as they are arriving at school. Thank you so much for wearing your masks for both drop off and pick up. We really appreciate this and the socially distancing that families are observing. We all miss visiting with one another, and we look forward to a time when we can do this to begin and end our day. Until then, we appreciate your support with quick drop offs and pickups that limit conversations and contact. All of these collaborative efforts across our school community show a concerted effort to work as a team to stay safe and healthy. Thank you!

We are looking forward to our Professional Development Day on Friday, February 12. This is a Tri-District day and our staff will be participating in a variety of zoom sessions connected with conferences and short courses. We all will be settling in to take time to learn ourselves so that we can continue to offer relevant and current learning opportunities for your children. It will be nice to extend our regular weekend through to Monday to celebrate family. I hope that you are able to carve out time to be together and enjoy Family Day on February 15.

Respectfully yours,

**Louise Sheffer**

Principal: James Bay Community School  
District Principal  
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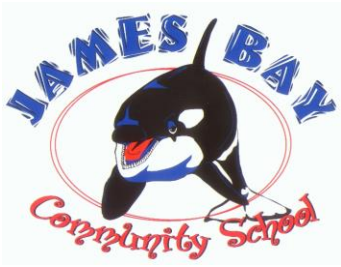
#### **Thank you!**

Thank you James Bay Thrifty Foods and Cobs Bread Harris Green for their very generous ongoing donations to our StrongStart families. We would also like thank and acknowledge Capital Park Dental for their very generous donation of dental kits for all of our new Kindergarteners.

#### **Attendance:**



We are working hard to streamline our systems for your convenience, if your child is absent from school, our preference is an email to [jamesbay@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:jamesbay@sd61.bc.ca), however, the attendance line - **250-383-7152** is still in operation for you to leave a message. In either case, please state your child's name, division number/teacher, the date and the reason for the absence before 9am on the day of the absence. If leaving a telephone message, please speak slowly and clear.



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### Looking Ahead

#### Friday, February 12

- Pro-D Day, no school for students



#### Monday, February 15

- Family Day Holiday

#### Wednesday, February 17

- PAC Zoom, Meeting 6:30pm - 7:30pm

#### Wednesday, February 24

- Pink Shirt Day



#### Friday, February 26

- Crazy Hair Day





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**Do something awesome**  
(for yourself and us, too!)

Support our fundraising campaign by purchasing Purdys chocolates (crafted in Vancouver from 100% sustainable cocoa!)

Lots of selection and great for gifting too!

**Purdys**  
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Ask <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1311013-82612> for more info.

Order deadline is **Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**




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**February 2021**

**James Bay Community School**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Pro D-Day	13
	K-12 Student Transfer Process February 8-11, 2021					
14	15 FAMILY DAY STAT 	16	17 PAC Meeting 6:30 to 7:30	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Pink Shirt Day 	25	26 Crazy Hair Day 	27
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