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# BI-WEEKLY MEMO

September 9, 2022

#### From the Principal

Dear Families of James Bay Community School,

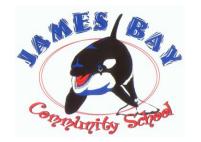
Wow! We have enjoyed the first week of school together as a community. Students are settled into their confirmed classes. Staff are connecting and building relationships with student to foster engaging and respectful communities of learning.

We are excited about this year together and look forward to meeting you at the Corn Roast on September 21 at 5pm. This will also be the opportunity to meet your child's teacher from 6 to 6:30pm.

I hope your family will enjoy the sunshine this weekend. I look forward to meeting you at the Corn Roast!

See you soon.

Marla Margetts, Principal



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#### **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, 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 clearly.



#### **School Meals Program**

Our lunch program will be starting up again September 13<sup>th</sup>. You can choose to have lunch all days or just 1 or 2 days a week. We offer a variety of options for sandwiches and snacks. This program is accessible for all of our families. If you'd like to sign up or require any additional information please contact our School Meals Assistant, Kerynne Adler

Email: kadler@sd61.bc.ca Phone: 250-384-7184



Wednesday, September 21st – Corn Roast & Meet the Teacher

Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Pro D Day (No School)

Wednesday, September 28th - Orange shirt day

Thursday, September 29th – Photo day

Friday, September 30th - Nation Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School)



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#### Registration is now open for our fall programs!

For adults: Yoga, fitness, music, art, dance,

languages, & computers

For kids: Music, dance, & martial arts

Register online, in person, or by phone www.jamesbaycentre.ca 250-389-1470









#### **Back Back Buddies**

James Bay Community School is very fortunate to be able to partner with the Back Pack Buddies program. This program sends home non-perishable food every Friday in bags that are placed inside the child's backpack or on their coat

hook. Often the snacks in the bag are ones that can be easily prepared by children themselves. We are very grateful to the Back Pack Buddies program for supporting food security in our community.

If this is a program that you feel would benefit your family please email confidentially Tracey Gibson, Community School Coordinator at <a href="mailto:tgibson@sd61.bc.ca">tgibson@sd61.bc.ca</a>.



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# 1000X5

1000 Books by Age Five Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

#### **Sept 08- International Literacy Day**

This year's world-wide UNESCO theme is "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces" which is a perfect link to 1000X5. 1000X5 sends your gently used books for babies and preschoolers into homes where books may be few. This is Year 12 of creating book gift bags each with 3 books and delivering the 276,00,000 books which have been so kindly donated by you. Over the year, children may receive 30 books – transforming learning.

Check out our website more information: www.1000X5.ca



Every month we send 2500-3000 books into homes with few resources. Please drop books for babies and preschoolers into the **pink bin** in the \_\_\_\_\_Strong Start Room\_\_\_\_ and we will send them on to other families.