



James Bay Memo

December 7, 2023



Save the date!

Our Winter Concert is approaching fast, we are excited to announce that there will be two performances.

Thursday, December 21st at 1:00 pm

Thursday, December 21st at 6:00 pm

(Students are to be in their classrooms for 5:45 pm).

We are not giving out tickets to this event, we are hoping families who are able to make the 1:00 pm performance will do so, leaving space for the families who work during the day to come to the 6:00 pm performance.

We can't wait to see you there!

Important Dates

Dec 13 - Fun Lunch Div 1, 2, 7, 8, 9

Dec 14 - PAC Meeting

Dec 15 - Fun Lunch Div 3, 4, 5, 6

Dec 19, 20 & 21 Book Fair

Dec 21 - Winter concert

Dec 21 - Report cards home

Dec 22 - PJ Day!!

Dec 22 - Last day before Winter Break

Dec 23 to Jan 7 - Winter Break

Jan 8 - First Day Back

Attendance

If your child is going to be absent or late please email jamesbay@sd61.bc.ca

or give us a call at 250-383-7152

If you are dropping your child off late please make sure they come by the office to check in!

This information is also on our school website.





Dear Families of James Bay Community School,

Please note the NEW signs that are now posted throughout the school campus. No pets are allowed on the school district property during school hours.

This includes the back field that is closest to the school building. This field is for school use from 8am to 3pm Monday to Friday. Please note: the other two fields are city property – not school district property.

Please note as this is a new policy, we will continue to remind families not to bring their dogs/pets onto the school grounds. When dropping off or picking up a student, dogs/pets are to be on the other side of the fence and not on school grounds.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we transition to this new policy.

Marla Margetts

Principal

James Bay Community School

250-384-7184 phone



Please send your child with clothes for all types of weather. We will enjoy the West Coast climate throughout the year. Boots and rain jackets are important. Students will be outdoors a lot this year – recesses and lots of outdoor learning.



1000X5

3 Books = 1 Gift

Help with a literacy gift for others

This is the beginning month of the three book challenge. As we head into the holiday season, many families appreciate a bit of help with gifts. Every month 1000X5 pops 3000 books in 1000 gift bag: three books for each receiving child.

If each child in James Bay community School brought in 3 gently used books for babies and preschoolers, we would collect over 500 books, enough for gift bags of books to 180 children. Let's make it happen.

Drop books for babies and preschoolers off in the pink bin in the Strong Start Room.

SCHOOL MEALS

and more

SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAM

Our School Meal Program is up and running. We will be sending out new forms monthly, but you can sign up anytime, see the office for forms.

Please still send a morning snack!

The program is accessible to all our families. If your family needs assistance with paying please contact Kerynne at 250.384.7184. No child will go hungry.



BACKPACK BUDDIES

We are working with Backpack Buddies again this year to provide a bag of food over the weekend.

If you could use assistance and are interested in this free program please contact Kerynne at 250.384.7184



DECEMBER PAC AGENDA

Date: December 14th, 2023

When: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Meeting location: School library

Childcare for school age children is provided



TOPIC	SPEAKER
WELCOME & HOUSEKEEPING	GINA (CO-CHAIR)
PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE	MARLA
COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE	SUZIE
TREASURER'S UPDATE	CHRIS (TREASURER)
PARENT PRESENTATION - PAC OPPORTUNITES	MARC BLACK

Community *Winter* Celebration

Wednesday, December 13th
5:30-7:30pm \$8 per family,

Come join us for a family-friendly community event with kid friendly crafts, hot cocoa & cookies, live music, and door prizes!

Tickets on sale Monday, Dec 4th.
Tickets only available at
the Centre desk.



WINTER 2023 ASSAI

After School Sports & Arts Initiative

FREE



Mondays (Grades 1-2) **Art Classes with Jessie**

Dates: Jan 15 - Mar 11

Time: 2:38-4:00pm

*No class Feb 19 (Family Day)



Tuesdays (Grades 2-3) **Yoga with Natalie**

Dates: Jan 16 - Mar 5

Time: 2:38-4:00pm

Wednesdays (Grades 3-5)

Swimming Lessons at Crystal Pool

Dates: Jan 10 - Mar 13

Time: 2:38-5:00pm

ALREADY FULL FOR WINTER



Thursdays (Grades 3-5)

Music with Nick

Dates: Jan 18 - Mar 7

Time: 2:38-4:00pm



All James Bay Elementary School Students can participate - including those in the OSC After School Program. Please note that OSC participating is a trial.

Registration opens Nov 28 at www.jamesbaycentre.ca

Scroll down the page and click on 'WINTER ASSAI Registration'

Registration closes on Dec 8

Free after school programs funded by a grant from the Province of BC

Cartooning & Illustration Winter Camp

Do you love drawing cartoons, creating characters, painting backgrounds? Drawing in 3D? Learn how to put it all together and create your own animation piece, from character to creation, through to clay models, storyboards, and animated product. Students will have a portfolio of work as well as a quick time video to take home at the end of the course. Instructor:

Daysi Tattersall-Maasanen

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9:00am-3:00pm

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CARTOONING & ILLUSTRATION WINTER CAMP

**TUESDAY-FRIDAY JANUARY 2-5
9:00AM-3:00PM \$288**

POW!

Register Online, In Person, or by Phone
www.jamesbaycentre.ca
250-389-1470

