

# JBCS NEWSLETTER

February 2026

## Upcoming Dates to Note

### Thursday, February 12th

Red & White Day! Wear your red and white to celebrate Valentines Day

### Friday, February 13th

Will be a pro-d day, no school.

### Monday, February 16th

is Family Day, a B.C. Provincial Holiday. Schools are CLOSED.

### Monday, February 24th

Celebration of Learning assembly at 10:45 am. Families are welcome.

### Wednesday, February 25th

is PINK SHIRT DAY!

Throughout the year, and on Pink Shirt Day we raise awareness of the importance of Kindness and Respect.

Students and Staff are encouraged to wear a Pink Shirt on Wednesday February 25th.

Let's celebrate KINDNESS together !

## PAC's Family Event

Our next event will be "Cultural Kaleidoscope". The tentative date for this event is Friday April 17<sup>th</sup> 2026 5:30-7:30 p.m. More details to follow.



## Cold & Wet Weather

A reminder that the cold and wet weather is here! Please send your child with weather appropriate clothing.

It is also a good idea to send your child with an extra set of clothes in their bag.

## Attendance Line

Please remember to report your child(ren)'s absence.

Email: [jamesbay@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:jamesbay@sd61.bc.ca)

Phone: 250-383-7152

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



Give more children the opportunity to love books

Before spring break, take a look around and send in a few books for babies and preschoolers to the pink bin in your school. Babies and preschoolers who are read to develop more vocabulary, greater imagination and an early understanding of how books work. Thanks for helping send 352,000 books into new hands.



## School Meals

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 financial assistance, please contact Tracey at 250-384-7184.

## Backpack Buddies

We are working with Backpack Buddies again this year to provide a bag of food over the weekend to families in need. If you could use assistance and are interested in this free program, please contact Tracey at 250-384-7184



## Lost and Found

The lost and found is overflowing with items again! Please come in and check the clothing rack and box underneath it in the front entryway of our school to see if any of these items belong to your family

## Reminders

### Transfer Week:

The annual K-12 Student Transfer Process facilitates requests from students at any grade level to transfer to schools outside of a designated catchment. To apply, you must complete and submit a hard-copy transfer form during the K-12 Student Transfer Process week in February.

Transfer application forms will be added to this webpage on February 6 at 4:00pm for families to download and print. In addition, students can pick up a hardcopy from the school office **beginning February 9**. Students are to turn in completed transfer applications to their current school's office during the transfer period from February 9-12. Applications will be received until 3:00pm on Thursday, February 12. Transfer application forms will not be accepted at school offices prior to February 9. Transfer applications will be determined in accordance with student enrolment priorities and, therefore, there is **no advantage in submitting transfer applications early**. Please submit your application form at your convenience during the communicated dates.

### Spring Break:

School will NOT be in session between March 16<sup>th</sup> and March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We hope each and every family has a lovely spring break!