

Jarvis Traditional Elementary Newsletter

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Important Dates to Remember:

Mar. 7	Trustee Ammen Dhaliwal Visits Jarvis Traditional from 10:00 – 10:45 am
Mar. 10	PAC Meeting at 3:15 pm in the Library
Mar. 12	Asst. Supt. Brad Bauman Visits Jarvis Traditional from 9:00 – 10:30 am
Mar. 12	NDSS Basketball Tournament from 3:00 – 9:00 pm (Grade 6 & 7 Boys Basketball Teams)
Mar. 12	Term Two Reports Available Online (At or Just After 3:00 pm)
Mar. 13	Casual Day
Mar. 13	Hot Lunch Day (Boston Pizza)
Mar. 13	Talent Show at 1:00 pm in the Gym
Mar. 14	Last Day of School Before Spring Break
Mar. 15 To Mar. 30	Spring Break
Mar. 30	Eid al Fitr
Mar. 31	School Re-Opens from Spring Break
Apr. 2	Autism Awareness Day
Apr. 3	Delview Basketball Tournament from 3:00 – 6:30 pm (Grade 7 Girls Basketball Team)
Apr. 8	Author Visit to Jarvis Traditional
Apr. 9	Grade 7 Popcorn Sales
Apr. 14	Vaisakhi
Apr. 14 To Apr. 17	Multicultural Week
Apr. 15	Vancouver Warriors Lacrosse Team Visits Jarvis Traditional
Apr. 18	Good Friday (STAT Holiday: No School)



Dear Parents:

With Spring Break almost upon us, I would like to take a moment and say “CONGRATULATIONS” to all our students for an outstanding second term! They have had many opportunities to grow academically and personally over the course of the term. While everyone can enter Spring Break feeling good about what they have accomplished, I would like to encourage parents to spend time with your child(ren) over the break thinking about, then setting some personal goals for what they would like to achieve in Term Three.

At this time, I would like to say “THANK YOU” to everyone in our community who contributed to making Term Two a success. I would like to thank the tremendous efforts and dedication of the Jarvis Traditional school staff for making Term Two so rewarding for our students.

On behalf of the staff at Jarvis Traditional Elementary, I would like to wish all our families a restful and enjoyable Spring Break!

Mr. K. Levenstein
Principal

Ms. J. Elkin
Vice Principal

Daily Health Check:



This is just a reminder that parents must complete a daily health check for each child prior to sending them to school each day. Please click on the following link to see Delta School District's updated Daily Health Check:

<https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/09/Sept-2022-Daily-Health-Check.pdf>

Jarvis Traditional Visitor Parking Lot Closed to Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up:

Please note that the visitor parking lot at Jarvis Traditional is closed for morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. Our school was built at a time when most students walked to school, and our visitor parking lot was not designed to handle the volume of vehicles during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. Here are some suggestions regarding morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up:



- families can park in Gunderson Park and walk to Jarvis Traditional (an extremely short walk along a path to 118th Street)
- families that live in the subdivision are encouraged to walk to school
 - this would help eliminate the traffic around the school
- for those students in Grade 3 and up, we encourage finding a meeting spot along the perimeter of the school where they can meet parents
- for those families with younger primary students (K-2), we encourage coming to school early and parking on the various streets that surround the school
 - there are 4 entrances to Jarvis Traditional through different walking paths
- older siblings in the school are also encouraged to pick up their younger siblings and meet their parents at a designated spot

Please note, if your child is being picked up or dropped off for medical reasons during the school day, outside the normal drop off and pick up times, you may enter the parking lot to pick up and/or drop off your child. If you are dropping off lunch or other items for your child throughout the school day, again, please enter the parking lot. Also, if you are needing to volunteer at the school, drop off items to the office or meet with a teacher, you are welcome to use the visitor parking lot.

Lost and Found:



There is a large collection of coats, hoodies, pants, etc. Smaller items like jewelry and keys are at the office. **All unclaimed items will be donated to charity on Friday, March 14, 2025, at or after 3:15 pm.**

Registration for the 2025-26 School Year:

Our Kindergarten registration was held during the week of February 10 – 14. Please encourage neighbours who have not yet registered to do so as soon as possible.

We continue to take registrations for Kindergarten to Grade 7 placements at Jarvis Traditional Elementary. If you know of a family moving into our area, please encourage them to register their children as soon as possible to secure a placement at Jarvis for the upcoming school year.



Students already registered at Jarvis Traditional do not need to re-apply as they are already counted in our school's enrolment.

Term Two Report Cards:



This is just a reminder to our Jarvis Traditional families that **report cards were made available online through *Parent Connect* on Wednesday, March 12th** (at or just after 3:00 pm). Take some time to read the report card with your child. Celebrate your child's successes! Ask what they think is their best achievement this term, what they are most proud of or what they enjoyed participating in the most this term. Every child not only learns academic concepts, but also practices and reviews life skills every day. Ask your child which area they would like to make an improvement in and together develop a plan to reach that goal. Always encourage your child to strive to achieve their personal best!

Parent Connect Student Emergency Information:

Please ensure that you regularly update your email and all emergency contact information for your child in Parent Connect.

To access, by using parent/guardian email (as defined in the student's record):
<https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignore.aspx>



Scent Sensitivity:



At Jarvis Traditional, we have staff who suffer from respiratory difficulties that are made worse by scented products. We ask that students, parents, and staff do what they can to avoid using scented aftershave, hair spray, cologne, or other scented personal care products.

Life Threatening Allergies:

This is just a reminder to families in our community that several of our students have life-threatening allergies to peanuts and nuts (cashews, almonds, walnuts, pistachios, Brazil nuts, pecans, macadamias). Exposure to even tiny amounts of nut particles – residue on a desk, a book, a door handle, a computer keyboard, or a drinking fountain – may be enough to trigger a reaction. Please help us create a safe environment for them by keeping foods containing nuts, and peanuts at home. Several companies are now making nut-free snacks, and we encourage you to look for these new products when shopping. Label reading is the key to sending safe, nut-free foods to school. Please do your part to ensure our school environment is a safe one for all our students. THANK YOU!!



Late Arrivals and Absence Reporting:



It is very important that all students arriving after the 9:00 am bell sign in at the office and receive a late slip prior to going to their classrooms. Once your child has signed in and picked up a late slip it is not necessary for you to accompany them to their classroom. Your cooperation with this safety measure is much appreciated. If your child will be absent, please contact the school by email at jarvis.elem@deltaschools.ca or call the school absentee line at 604-597-1768 before 8:55 am. The school phone has an answering machine to record messages 24 hours a day.

Research has shown that the habits your children are forming now will have an impact on their future. As such, we would encourage students to make a concerted effort to arrive to school on time. Please help your child to develop the important habit of timeliness.

Lunch Time Reminders:

If you do not send your child with their lunch and you intend to bring it before 12:00 pm, please let your child know that he/she can pick it up on the lunch table at the front office. Parents are asked **not** to deliver the lunches directly to pod exits or classrooms and students are **not** allowed to go into the parking lot to get their lunches. Please leave the lunch on the lunch table.

This is just a reminder to parents that if you choosing to drop off a lunch for your child, please park your vehicle in the visitor parking lot. Please note that the round about is a FIRE ZONE and there is NO PARKING in the round about.



PAC Meeting:

Our March PAC Meeting is set to take place on **Monday, March 10th at 3:15 pm in the Library**. All parents are members of the Jarvis PAC and invited to attend these meetings. Babysitting services will be available for this meeting.



Jarvis Traditional Elementary Basketball Program:

Spring Break marks the end of what has been a tremendously successful basketball program at Jarvis Traditional Elementary.

The Grade 6 Boys and Girls Basketball teams had an exciting first season of basketball. Mr. Levenstein (Grade 6 Boys coach), Ms. Bant/Ms. Sidhu (Grade 6 Girls coaches) were very proud of the sportsmanship, teamwork, and athleticism that was demonstrated throughout the basketball season.



Our Grade 7 Boys and Girls Basketball teams had the opportunity to learn and grow under the guidance of Mr. Nyznik (Grade 7 Boys coach), and Ms. Crawford/Ms. Purdy (Grade 7 Girls coaches). The coaches were extremely impressed with the level of skill development and sportsmanship that was demonstrated by their teams.

On behalf of the Grade 6 and 7 students who participated in our school's basketball program, I would like to thank the Jarvis Traditional coaching staff for giving up their time to share their expertise and provide our students with this valuable extracurricular opportunity.

Strong Start Program:



Strong Start is a free Parent Participation Early Learning Program at Jarvis Traditional. You can help your child learn early literacy, social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development through play with carefully selected materials and activities under the guidance of Early Childhood Educator, **Ms. Mandy Gill**. The sessions run Monday to Friday during the school year, from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. The program is **designed for children from 0 to 5 years, and their parent/caregiver**, and you are invited to drop-in anytime. For more information, you can contact Ms. Gill directly at the school office by calling **604-594-3484**.