

Jarvis Traditional Elementary Newsletter

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Important Dates to Remember:

June 25	Year-End Assembly at 11:00 am (Parents are Welcome to Attend)
June 26	Last Day of School – Dismissal at 10:25 am
June 26	Casual Day
June 26	Term 3 Reports Available Online at 10:30 am
June 27	Administrative Day (No School for Students)
June 28 To Sept. 01	Summer Break!
Aug. 25	School Office Opens for 2025-26 School Year
Sept. 02	1 st Day of School for the 2025-26 School Year (12:00 pm Dismissal)

Dear Parents:

As we head into the final day of the school year, I can't help but notice the increased level of energy in the building. The anticipation of Summer Break is beginning to create a fervor of excitement and energy that can almost be touched.



I am very proud to have served as the Principal of Jarvis Traditional Elementary for the past seven years, and to have been a part of the great things that happen here! I have learned so much from the staff, students, and parents at Jarvis Traditional, and feel very fortunate to have been a part of this school community.

I would like to thank you all for your support this year. The students at our school are hardworking, respectful, and inclusive. The parents are involved and supportive.

We have an amazing staff at our GREAT school! They work hard, they care, and they are the ultimate professionals who have tremendous pride in our school. I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with such a talented and dedicated group of educators!

On behalf of the staff at Jarvis Traditional Elementary, I would like to wish everyone a restful Summer Break filled with great times with friends and family!

Mr. K. Levenstein
Principal

Ms. J. Elkin
Vice Principal

We Will Miss You...

As you may already be aware, we will be saying goodbye to several staff members at the end of the school year. We would like to recognize the following staff who are leaving Jarvis Traditional Elementary at the end of the school year:

- Mr. Ken Levenstein
 - Principal
- Ms. Angela Urdes:
 - Grade 3 Teacher (Job Share) + Indigenous Learning Support Teacher
- Ms. Jeenat Sidhu:
 - Grade 1/2 Teacher + Teacher Librarian
- Ms. Hakima Arhandou:
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Tamara Brown:
 - Education Assistant
- Mr. Daljit Garha:
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Tanya Hume:
 - Education Assistant (Retired)
- Ms. Kam Koonar:
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Leilani Mapanao
 - Education Assistant (Retired)
- Ms. Manjinder Raulia:
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Petra van Vooght:
 - Education Assistant (Retired)



In addition to the above staff who will be leaving Jarvis Traditional at the end of the 2024-25 school year, I'd like to acknowledge one other staff member who has accepted a special, board office position and will be at Jarvis Traditional in a reduced capacity for the 2025-26 school year. After 17 years teaching primary classrooms at Jarvis Traditional, Ms. Dayle McCallum has accepted a position teaching in the Delta School District's HomeQuest Program for the 2025-26 school year. Ms. McCallum will be teaching in her new assignment four days per week (Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays). Ms. McCallum will continue to teach at Jarvis Traditional on Tuesdays. Her assignment at Jarvis Traditional will be comprised of PE Relief, and she will continue to serve as the Coordinator of Inquiry (Teacher Collaboration Coordinator). Please join in thanking Ms. McCallum for all that she has done to make a difference in the lives of so many Jarvis Jaguar students. We wish her all the best in her new assignment with the HomeQuest program.

Welcome to...

I'd like to wish a warm welcome to the following staff who will be joining the Jarvis Traditional team for September 2025:



- Ms. Satpaul Gill:
 - Grade 4 Teacher
- Ms. Wajma FayazKamal:
 - School Counsellor
- Ms. Areeba Ghalib:
 - Child & Youth Care Worker
- Ms. Corina Clarke:
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Manpreet Dhillon
 - Education Assistant
- Ms. Jayshree Gajjar:
 - Education Assistant

PAC Annual General Meeting:

Yesterday, the Jarvis Traditional Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) held its Annual General Meeting. A budget for the 2025-26 school year was passed and PAC elections took place. The Jarvis Traditional PAC Executive for the 2025-26 school year will be as follows:

President:	Saima Charania
Vice President:	Preal Parihar
Secretary:	Christine Yang
Treasurer:	Gurpreet Kooner
DPAC Representative:	Maneet Bugra
Member(s) at Large:	Amandeep Kooner, Jasdeep Sandhu, Pinky Kainth-Mahil



The staff at Jarvis Traditional would like to thank the outgoing PAC Executive for all their support during the 2024-25 school year.

Lost and Found:



Please look through the lost and found laundry rack for your child's missing clothing items. We will place the lost and found laundry rack at the front of the school from Monday, June 23rd to Thursday, June 26th so parents can look for their child(ren)'s missing clothing. Unclaimed items will be bagged up and donated to charity on **Thursday, June 26th at 10:30 am.**

Year-End Assembly:

Our *Year-End Assembly* is set to take place this **Wednesday, June 25th at 10:30 am**. This is a special assembly where we wish farewell to all the students and staff that will be leaving Jarvis Traditional at the end of the school year. In addition to student and staff farewells, we will also take time to acknowledge student participation in our track and field program and get to watch a year-end slideshow that will include photo highlights from Term 3. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend our *Year-End Assembly*.



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**.

Animal Crackers Children's Centre – Jarvis Traditional Elementary

We are accepting registrations for the 2025-2026 preschool year. Please feel free to come in our classroom to look around, ask questions, and register. We offer a flexible, but structured play-based program. We focus on socialization, open-ended play, fun, and academic activities.

Our class times are from 9:00 – 12:00 pm and 12:15 – 2:30 pm.

We also have spaces available for our Before and After School Care programs. These programs offer supervised activities such as arts and crafts, baking, outdoor time, homework time and occasional outings. We are open from 7:00 – 9:00 am and 3:00 – 6:00 pm

If you have any questions, regarding our programs, please feel free to call us at 604-597-0181 or check our website at www.deltaanimalcrackers.ca. More information can be found on our Facebook Page @deltaanimalcrackers

September 2025:

The beginning of a new school year can be a time of uncertainty. Although tentative classes are put together in the spring, final organization cannot be done until September as there are many families who will arrive or leave during the summer months. Even slight changes from projected enrollment numbers can create staffing changes and require that classes be reorganized once school has started in September. This can be very disruptive to all concerned.

With this in mind, the staff at Jarvis Traditional has spent much time planning for our September opening and how we might alleviate some of the uncertainty around “back to school”.

Despite not being able to set our classes ahead of time, we want to ensure a smooth entry for our students. Please read the following section carefully as it fully explains how **students in Grades 1 – 7 will be organized for the first week of school (new Kindergarten students have already received information regarding the September gradual entry schedule):**

- Students in Grades 1 – 7 will return to school on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, from 9:00 – 12:00 pm
- All returning students will report to the classroom that they were in during the 2024-25 school year
- All **new** students will report to the gym for placement in classrooms
- School hours during the first week back will be as follows:
 - Tuesday - 9:00 – 12:00 pm
 - Wednesday - Friday - 9:00 – 3:00 pm
- During the first week of school, most students in Grades 1 – 7 will work with the teacher they had during the 2024-25 school year. Those students whose teacher is no longer at Jarvis Traditional will work with the newly assigned teaching staff
- During the first week of school, students are asked to only bring a limited amount of school supplies (pencil box containing pencils and pens, pencil crayons, scissors, etc.). All other supplies should be left at home until they are assigned to their classes

We look forward to a smooth start to the 2025-26 school year!

