



JUNIPER RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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October 29, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Happy Halloween! I trust you and your child/ren will enjoy Halloween and have a safe time either gathering with family and friends and/or Trick or Treating. This is certainly an exciting time for children and brings back many fond memories from my childhood! Please share some of your favourite Halloween memories with your children. I'm confident they will enjoy and cherish them, as I do from my mother's sharing of her Halloween Fun.



Our playground has recently undergone some very nice enhancements. Thanks again to our PAC for organizing Stream of Dreams. The salmon on our fence look fantastic! We also now have picnic tables installed on the upper field, as well as, additional tetherball poles, again thanks to our PAC. Your support of JRES and students are very much appreciated!

Next week is a busy week at JRES. **Picture retakes** are scheduled for Wednesday, November 3rd in the afternoon. If you want your child's photo retaken, please notify your child's classroom teacher. Thursday, November 4th is our only **Early Closure** day for this school year. Students are dismissed at 12:40 so that parents and teachers can have conversations as to your child's progress to this point in the school year. Parent/teacher interviews are one way of communicating student learning with families. Please be mindful that students will not have a lunch break at school on this day.

Did you know that our Intermediate teachers take turns and offer homework support for our Intermediate students during lunch break? As a rule, this support is offered on a daily basis.



Mr. Laouboucan, our Aboriginal Education Worker, is beginning the following lunch groups for students. On Wednesdays there will be hand drumming for Intermediate students. On Thursdays there will be culture club for Primary students, and on Fridays, there will be culture club

for Intermediate students. These are all voluntary participation for students.

Additional events for November include: November 8, Monthly PAC Meeting @ 6:15; November 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly; November 11 - No School Remembrance Day; November 13 & 27th - School Newsletters

Thank you to all of our students and families for supporting Soctober and our Scholastic Book Fair. Last spring, JRES raised \$527.85 for the Canadian Transverse Myelitis Association. This fundraising allows the CTMA to purchase equipment for children. Your generous spirit is appreciated.

I will continue with two school newsletters for the month of November. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the administration team if you have any questions or concerns with your child's academic or social emotional development.

Regards,

Mrs. Wood, Principal



Skating at Valleyview Arena

We are excited that every class will be participating in skating this year at the Valleyview Arena! The cost is \$3 a student to go which can be paid through the CASHLESS System or sent in to your classroom teacher. Our dates start in November through until February. All trips will be following COVID protocols mandated by the district and arenas. As with all field trips this year, children must travel to and from the arena by bus. Parent volunteers are permitted to participate and spectate this year, while following the outlined protocols. Congratulations to Mr. Richard's class, as they won the draw for a second trip due to our school having an odd number of divisions. Please see the schedule below for your child's skating dates and times.

Date/Time/Class	Time	Classes
WED, NOV. 3; 9:00 - 10:00 Mulholland & Weatherall	TUES, NOV.9; 9-10 Grimm & Fuzzen	WED, NOV.17; 9-10 Storozak & Bouchard
WED, NOV.24; 9:30-10:30 Sears & Klassen	TUES, NOV.30; 9:30-10:30 Waters & Murray	WED, DEC.8; 9-10 Davey & Pierce
WED, DEC.15; 9:00 - 10:00 Plut & Sandhu	TUES, JAN.4; 9:00 - 10:00 Rein & Stonehouse	WED, JAN.12; 9:00 - 10:00 Harpman & Denison
WED, JAN.19; 9:30 - 10:30 Lempriere & Richard	TUES, JAN.25; 9:30-10:30 Gresley-Jones & Richard	TUES, FEB.1; 9:00 - 10:00 Thompson & Pagnotta



VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

There has been a revision and our school will now be participating in volleyball within the district. The volleyball season will run from November 9th and end December 2nd, allowing teams to play 4 games. Our school has entered 4 teams; 2 competitive and 2 recreational. With the running of volleyball, there are important restrictions that will be adhered to.

- There will be only 1 visiting team per host school
- Limit of one spectator per athlete
- Visitors/spectators must preview the School District Visitor Orientation slidedeck
- All visiting spectators and athletes will sign in and sanitize upon entry to the school
- Masks must be worn by all spectators, coaches, and referees at all times
- Athletes may remove their masks when they are actively playing in the game
- Visitors will enter through the outside doors by the gym
- Visitors will remain in the gym
- Seating for visitors will be arranged to ensure spacing

Our coaches will be sending home permission forms, Student/Parent Expectations Agreement and Medical Consent Forms for students who are participating in Volleyball. Parents please be aware that if you are providing transportation for children other than your child to and from games, you must complete a Volunteer Driver Form with the office.

Please join me in thanking our coaches: Ms. Sears, Ms. Klassen, Ms. Fuzzen, Ms. Lempiere, Ms. Waters and Ms. Grimm. Thanks also to Ms. Vedd & Mrs. Mangell for referring and our parents for supporting, cheering and assisting with transportation.

KEEPING OUR SCHOOL SAFE DURING COVID-19

We continue to be diligent with the layering of control measures to keep our school a safe place of learning and work for students and staff. Our key control measures continue to be: daily health checks, stay home if sick or go home if you become sick at school, limited gatherings inside, frequent hand washing, respiratory etiquette, and indoor mask wearing for all students in Kindergarten - adult. We will continue to make changes to our control measures as directed by the School District. When these occur, you will be informed.

PARENT RESOURCE PAGE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT 73'S WEBSITE

This section of the district's website has a wide range of supports for parents in supporting your child/ren's academic and social emotional development.

Some topics include:

- *math videos with strategies for parents
- *street smart safety tips
- *tips to support grade 1 readers at home
- *Ministry of Education resources for parents
- *Wellness links for parents





Monthly Meeting Details

Topic: Juniper Ridge PAC

Time: Nov 8, 2021 06:15 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88164672061?pwd=ZXhia1hQa3FYU01Zb0FBL1hsbjBndz09>

Meeting ID: 881 6467 2061

Passcode: 255267

Stream of Dreams

Juniper Elementary was so fortunate to be able to take part in the AWARD-WINNING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ART PROGRAM Steam of Dreams. Stream of Dreams helps communities discover their local watershed, and become stewards for salmon and all creatures. Our science to art process embraces optimism to create lasting meaningful results. Our murals represent hope for a future with healthy watersheds. Every student at Juniper attended an creative and informative workshop led by the Steam of Dreams team and then painted their very own professionally prepared wooden fish that was installed as a mural on the fence along Qu' Appelle Blvd. A special thank you to all the volunteers that came out to help with the installation.

Juniper Ridge received a \$7,000 grant to help pay for the cost of the program all thanks to the hard work of Jennifer Harding. The remainder of the costs were paid by students with a \$5.00 fee being applied to your SchoolCash Online account, if you have not already paid this please do so as soon as possible.

Fundraisers Thank you for your support, we couldn't do it without you!

DFS Fundraiser

Thank you to all the parents who submitted orders for our DFS fundraiser. Order should be here the week of November 1, 2021. We plan on sending all orders home with your child when they arrive at the school. If you feel that your child will not be able to carry your items or they are gifts and you would like to arrange an alternative pick up time please email us at jrelementarypac@gmail.com. and we would be happy to set something up with you.

Growing Smiles Christmas Plants

This Winter we are selling beautiful, locally-grown plants to help raise money for our programs.

Please see our order forms sent home with your children at the end of October or visit our website at juniperridge@growingsmilesfundraising.com to see what is available. By purchasing a beautiful plant, not only will you be spreading holiday cheer, you will also be supporting our kids and the school. **Orders are due Tuesday November 16, 2021 and pickup will be December 1, 2021.**

Still to come - Purdys Chocolates Fundraiser

Hot Lunch

* NEW FOR THE 2021/22 SCHOOL YEAR, only paid orders will be processed. Please do not create an order if you are not prepared to pay. After your order(s) are submitted please ensure you proceed to PAY NOW and complete your order.

* All hot lunch orders must be placed 8 days before the lunch.

* As in the past, should your child be sick or otherwise absent on a day they have ordered lunch, arrangements can be made to pick up the lunch from the school by 11:40. Otherwise, it will be considered a donation.

November Hot Lunches will be:

November 3 (Wednesday) - Dominos

November 10 (Wednesday) - Wok Box

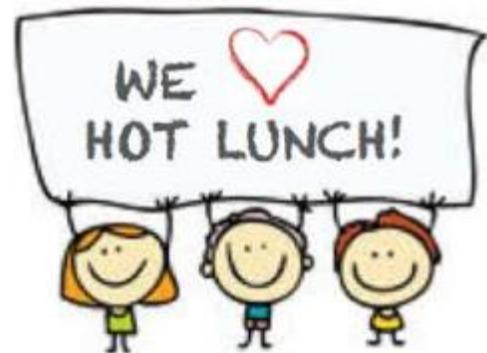
November 18 (Thursday) - Senor Frogs

November 25 (Thursday) - Wendys

Orders can be made on Munch A Lunch

NEW parents need to register here:

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/JuniperRidge>



RETURNING parents can go directly to the login page: <https://munchalunch.com/login>

