

Jackson Elementary Newsletter

Dear Jackson Families,

September 23, 2022

We are off to a great start! It is so good to see our students settling into routines and being engaged in learning opportunities.

I apologise, in advance, for the amount of information that is contained in this newsletter and thank you for taking time to read through to the end.

Jackson Elementary School PAC:

It is through the efforts of our PAC that we are able to offer so many opportunities to our students. As with any task, many hands make light work. Currently, all the executive positions are filled, but the PAC is looking for volunteers to help plan events, decorate, help with hot lunch, etc. and to bring fresh ideas.

Upcoming PAC Events:

- Monday, October 3 – PAC Meeting @ 9 in the library
- Friday, October 7 – Hot Lunch handout @ 11:30
- Friday, October 28 – Halloween Movie Night 5:30 – 8
- Monday, November 7 – PAC Meeting @ 9 in the library
- Monday, December 5 - PAC Meeting @ 9 in the library

Please email jackson.elementary.PAC@gmail.com if you are able to help in any way.

Orange Shirt Week:

Every Child Matters. We invite the whole Jackson community to wear their Orange Shirt the week of September 26 - 28 to honour those children who were sent to residential schools.

Photo Day:

Photo Day is Wednesday, September 28th. Bring your best smile!



Staffing Changes:

We are excited to welcome two new teachers to our staff. Mrs. Andrea Suttie is our new Learning Support Services teacher, who will be working alongside Mrs. Dyck, and Mrs. Makayla Parkinson is the teacher for our new division.

Sadly, two of our EAs are moving on. Miss Anna and Miss Simpson have taken jobs at other schools. We will miss them greatly and thank them for supporting our kids.

The Portable is Here!

Due to growing enrolment, we increased by a division this year and needed a portable to house our new class. This process can take week or months, but the timing of our need and the availability of a portable allowed it to happen within days! The class has already moved in and is getting settled.



Parking Changes:

Parking is always a challenge. To help with the flow of traffic, **we are asking that parents NOT park in the back lot. This will be for staff only.** Our EAs are finding it difficult to leave the parking lot at the end of the day because they are blocked in. Many have second jobs that they need to get to and are often late because someone has parked behind them. We appreciate your help with this.

Alerts:



We have a number of students who have severe allergies to nuts. Please help us keep our students safe by sending nut-free sandwiches and snacks to school.

We also have those who are sensitive to scents. Please avoid wearing perfume or heavily scented lotions and sprays when entering the school.

Terry Fox Run:

Our school-wide Terry Fox Run will take place Tuesday, September 27. It will start with a short assembly highlighting the importance of the event, followed by the run. We will be collecting toonies and all donations will go to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research. A big thanks to Mrs. Cadwell for organizing this event.

Drop-off times:

We have had an increase in the number of students being dropped off at school early. Please note that there is no adult supervision until 8:20.

Important Dates:

September 29: Pro D – no school for students

September 30: National Truth & Reconciliation Day – no school