

February 8, 2019

### **Important Dates in February / March**

February 11 to 15 – Book Fair Week at ÉJCS!

February 12 & 13 / March 1 – Student Led Interviews – online appointment booking is OPEN

February 14 – ÉJCS CARNIVAL

February 14 – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School / Happy Valentine's Day

February 18 – Family Day – No School

February 19 to 22 – No School for students

February 27 – Last day to order your 2018-19 ÉJCS Yearbook

February 27 – Pink Shirt Day – Wear pink today!

March 1 – Kindergarten Student Led Interviews – day time appointments

March 8 – PD Day – No school for students

March 12 – School Council meeting at 7pm in the Learning Commons

### **Student Led Interviews**

February 12 & 13 / March 1 – This is an opportunity for parents to visit the school and have their child show them all the awesome things they are learning in school! The online system is **NOW OPEN FOR BOOKINGS**. Please book your appointment online through the “Conference Manager – Schoolsoft” site under the PARENTS tab on the École Joe Clark School website. Click here for [Conference Manager–SchoolSoft](#) booking site to book your Student Led Interview time.

### **Alberta Education Accountability Pillar Survey**

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

- In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.
- In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with your school. In addition to English and French, the parent survey is available in Chinese, Punjabi, Arabic, Blackfoot, Dene, Cree, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog and Urdu.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

### **Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten Registrations 2019-2020**

We continue to accept Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten Registrations for the 2019-2020 school year.

**\*\*Please note that if your child is currently attending Junior Kindergarten this year, you will need to register your child for the Kindergarten program next year. Please come pick up a registration package at the office.**

\*\*Junior Kindergarten is not Alberta Education funded, it is an optional monthly fee paid by parent program. If you wish to have your child who will be attending Kindergarten next year to *ALSO* attend Junior Kindergarten on the off days, this is possible. Please come to the office to enquire.

Click [HERE](#) for the Junior Kindergarten options and costs of the 2 and 3 day programs we are offering for the 2019-2020 school year.

### **Volunteers Needed**

***Please contact the school if you are interested in volunteering.***

- **Grocery Pick-Up** - Once or Twice a week depending on food needs  
Duties include picking up a grocery order and delivering it to the school

### **Cold Weather Reminders & Supervision**

We would like to remind students to please be sure and dress for the weather. Cold weather policy states that students can go outside for recesses when the temperature with the wind-chill is down to -21 (as displayed on High River Online weather reports). Colder than -21, we will provide indoor recess activities. Please be sure to dress appropriately for before and after school as well as for recess times.

Daily supervision begins outside at 8:25am until the morning bell rings at 8:40am. Students arriving at school are asked to be outside until the morning bell rings at 8:40am when they line up and enter the school using the rear boot rooms. All exterior doors are locked at this time for safety and any students arriving late must enter the school via the front door and sign in late at the Office. Students should not be entering using the front doors unless it is after 8:40am. Outside After School Supervision is from 3:15pm to 3:30pm.

### **Stop - Drop & Go**

We have implemented a **STOP-DROP and GO** area for parents to use in the morning. We have a sign in the bus loop indicating where to **stop** your car, **drop** your child off, and **go**. We look forward to your feedback on the new drop off system!

As always, you may park your vehicles in the church parking lot or across the street. We encourage our families to use the crosswalk when crossing the road to model safety for the children.

### **Community News items**

- High River Minor Baseball – [FLYER](#)
- Highwood PD Day Programs 2018-2019 – [INFO BOOKLET](#)

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