

SIR JAMES DOUGLAS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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TWO EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAMS, ONE EXTRAORDINARY SCHOOL.

A message from the Principal:

There are many opportunities in December to demonstrate the spirit of giving. We are collecting funds at the office to purchase **Thrifty Food Cards** for 10 families in our school community. Drop off your donations to Jocelyn or Michele in the office.



Our **1000 X 5 program** is especially important in the month of December as many children will receive few gifts and likely even fewer books. I encourage you to drop off **picture books** for babies and preschoolers that are still in good shape. They are shipped off to Rockheights Middle School for immediate distribution to children.

Report Cards will be coming home on Thursday, December 5th, 2019. It is a time to celebrate first term learning! If your child's teacher is in Primary and using FreshGrade, there will not be a formal report at this time. If your child is in grades 4 or 5 and their teacher is using FreshGrade, only letter grades will be provided at this time.

Our strings and choir students will be performing twice on Wednesday, December 18th. The first performance will be in that morning at about 9:00 and again in the evening at 6:30 p.m. We ask that only immediate family attend as seating will be limited. There will be a donation box at the door for *The United Way of Greater Victoria*.

Murray Harris

French Kindergarten & Grade 1 Registration

January 6th to 10th N.B. Only parents with children new to French Immersion, need register at this time.

Click [here](#) for more information.

English Kindergarten Registration

January 20th to 24th

Click [here](#) for more information.



To review the student enrolment priorities and the proof of address requirements please visit: [Priorities](#) [Proof of address](#)

The Greater Victoria School District wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations on whose traditional territories we live and do our work.

Parent Information Nights

Early French Immersion Parent Information Session

When: Wednesday, December 4, 2019 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Where: Reynolds Secondary Theatre

Welcome to Kindergarten Parent Information Session

When: Wednesday, January 8, 2020 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Where: Oaklands Elementary School

Late French Immersion Parent Information Session

When: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Where: Board Office (556 Boleskine Rd)

For more important registration dates follow the link

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/registration/registration-transfer-dates/>

To parents of a grade 5 student

Your child will be automatically enrolled at their catchment English or French Immersion Middle School, unless you submit a completed transfer request form during the week of February 10th.



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Middle School Open House Information Nights for Students and Parents

Arbutus	January 23	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Cedar Hill	January 22	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Central	January 23	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Colquitz	February 07	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Glanford	January 29	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Gordon Head	January 30	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Lansdowne	January 24	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monterey	January 31	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Rockheights	January 29	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Shoreline	January 24	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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Movie Mornings

I am offering two movie mornings for our students during the last week of school. Please send a note to your child's teacher if you **do not** wish for your child to view the movie and an alternate fun activity will be arranged. I have included a link to a Parents' Guide below.

Grades K to 2 - Storks

[Common Sense Media Guide](#)



Grades 3 to 5 - Klaus

[Common Sense Media](#)



Holiday Emporium -

Donations & Volunteers Needed!

This year SJD's Holiday Emporium will take place on **Friday, December 13th** (9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) We need parent support and assistance to make this fun event a success.

Start cleaning out your basements and closets. We began accepting donations (gently used items for sale and wrapping supplies) at the school office today, Monday, December 2nd.

Please visit the PAC website www.sjdpacvictoria.ca for more information regarding donations and ways to help.

Thank you for supporting this event!

SJD PAC PRESENTS

Annual Holiday EMPORIUM

DECEMBER 13TH

Purdy's Fundraiser

FRIDAY DECEMBER 13TH AFTER SCHOOL
CHOCOLATE ORDER PICKUP

SJD SPIRIT WEAR

SPIRIT WEAR POP UP SHOP!

SJD T-Shirts, Hoodies, Hats & more...
AVAILABLE BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL DECEMBER 13TH
QUANTITIES LIMITED, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

You are welcome to join us on Wednesday evening, December 18th at 6:30 p.m. to hear the lovely voices of your children in the school choir and the talented musicians with the Strings group. We hope to see you there!

December/2019

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WINTER BREAK December 23rd to January 3rd						

