



James Park News June 2019

Together We Can ... Learn, Belong, Take Care of each other and this place

Please help us as we strive to do our best at school

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Before Summer Break, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school throughout the year. James Park is fortunate to have so many dedicated students, parents and staff members who make this place so amazing. Your countless volunteer hours truly make a big, positive difference to our school! Much, much, much appreciated! Please check out this awesome link <https://mailchi.mp/252b437dbe4f/tri-cities-literacy-news-for-june?e=cb89612ea2> about our Breakfast program and just some of our awesome James Park volunteers.

Staffing Updates...so far

The following teachers' temporary contracts are running out by the end of June and will therefore not return to James Park next year: Ms. Adebowale, Ms. Burke, Ms. Gujinovic, Ms. Kamali, Ms. MacDonald, Ms. Reis, Ms. Verhaeghe and Ms. Tong. Ms. Campbell's work at James Park will also come to an end this month, but unlike those teachers just mentioned, Ms. Campbell has resigned from our school district since she and her family will be moving to Ontario over the summer. All the best and good luck 'back east'. I do want to thank all departing staff for fitting in so well with our school community as well as for their hard work over this past year. We are also sad to see Ms. Edwards switch from our school to the district's Inclusion Support Team but are glad for her to have this opportunity and wish her all the best. Ms. Camele and Mr. Martin will re-join our staff in September. Both will be working in our student services department. Also joining our staff next year will be Ms. Lai. She was the successful applicant for our grade 3/4/5 Montessori position. Mr. Demetlika is looking forward to a full-time teacher librarian/learning common position and will be working with all students throughout the week. Other reassignments in the school's organization for next year are: Ms. Bailey will be teaching a grade 1 class and Ms. Jorgenson will be teaching a grade 4/5 class. Exciting for next year is also that we will have a full-time youth worker. Congratulations to Ms. Lori Halcro who was the successful CUPE applicant for this position. Unfortunately, this means that we have to say "Good-bye" to Ms. McCoy, but we wish her all the best at her new school. Lastly, we also congratulate Ms. Bilechuk on her well-deserved retirement. We thank her not only for her work in the James Park Library and as Ms. Jorgenson's grade 3/4 class share partner, but also for the many years of employment in our school district.

Student Medication

If you have left any medication to be kept at school for your child, we ask that you pick it up before summer break. Any unclaimed medication will be disposed of.

Moving?

If you are moving away from our community, please communicate this to us asap. If you know about a family who moves into our catchment area, please advise them that our office will be open in the last week of August.

First Week of School

The new school year starts on **Tuesday, September 3 at 8:55 a.m.** On that day, all returning students are asked to go to their home classrooms from this year. All NEWLY registered students are asked to go to our LIBRARY regardless of their grade, except our Kindergarten students. Kindergarten students may come on September 3rd but are not required to come to school. However, we do ask all parents of Kindergarten students to come to the gym at 8:55 a.m. to sign up for welcoming conversations during the first week in September. Please note that gr. 1 - 5 students will be dismissed after 30 to 45 minutes on this day. Starting on Wednesday, September 4, all students (except Ks) will be in attendance for the full day – from 8:55 a.m. to 2:53 p.m.

NEW Kindergarten Parents – CHEQ Survey

If your child is starting Kindergarten in September, I highly encourage you to complete the Childhood Experiences Questionnaire (CHEQ Survey). You can access information about this survey at UBC's website <http://blogs.ubc.ca/cheq/files/2019/03/CHEQGen-Info-201900219.pdf>. To complete this survey, please sign up on Tuesday, September 3 when you sign up for your child's welcoming conversation with your teacher. . Our laptops will be available on Tuesday, September 10 or September 12. The survey can be completed in Room 202 on the second floor from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

School Supplies

To view our school supply lists, please click on the following link: <https://schoolstart.ca/> Copies of the lists have also been sent home in your Child's back pack. If you choose not to use School Start Service, please use this list to shop anywhere you prefer. **The School Start Team** Telephone: [1-800-580-1868](tel:1-800-580-1868)

Ordered supplies will be given to you/your child on the first day of school to bring home for the first week. We are asking that you label them and that your child(ren) bring them on Monday, September 9. If you are a parent of a Kindergarten student, we are asking that you write a cheque for \$50. Please make out the cheque to James Park Elementary and indicate your child's teacher on the cheque as well. Or, even better, sign up with school cash online (as per previous email) and pay the fee online. Who is my child's teacher? You will find this out on Friday, September 6 or Monday, September 9th and be able to use the School Online System shortly after we have finalized class placement.

Changes to Our Lunch Routine

Starting in September, we will be using the following lunch routine:

Students will be eating their lunches from 12:00 p.m. to 12:20 p.m. in their classrooms. Teachers will decide individually if their classes begin their lunch eating period earlier (i.e. 11:50 a.m.) or if students are given additional time to finish their lunch at 12:50 p.m. once they have returned to their classrooms. Students will have 30 minutes from 12:20 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. to play outside.

New next year will also be that all students will line up outside before coming inside. At 12:50, each teacher will lead their students back into the building.

This new routine will be implemented in support of our attempts to promote self-regulation for all learners.

Brand New to James Park?

WELCOME! If you have any questions in regard to the upcoming school year, please do not hesitate to contact me at mjankowiak@sd43.bc.ca. If your child is new to James Park and in grades 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, please go to the library, upstairs on the second floor. Please bookmark our school's webpage at <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/jamespark/Pages/default.aspx>.


Have a Great Summer

On behalf of the James Park Community and myself, I wish you and your children an excellent summer holiday, hoping that you can create some fun memories that can be shared in September. Until then, stay safe and see you in the new school year!

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE WILL BE OPEN TO USE BY SEPTEMBER 10th for NEXT YEAR ITEMS



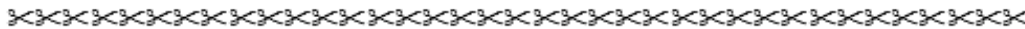
**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM
LUNCH ORDER FORM**

School's Name:	
Student's Name:	
Grade:	
Division:	
Teacher:	

Allergies / Religious Requests:

- Vegetarian/Fish OK**
 Vegetarian/No Fish
 No Pork
 Other: _____

Payment Amount:



September 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Labor Day	3 No District Lunches	4 No District Lunches	5 No District Lunches	6 No District Lunches
9 Chocolate Milk Roast Beef Sandwich Granola Bar Fruit	10 Juice Turkey Sandwich Yogurt Veggie & Dip	11 White Milk Cream Cheese & Jam Bagel Cookie Fruit	12 Juice Ham Sandwich Yogurt Fruit	13 Chocolate Milk Cheese Sandwich Veggie & Dip Chips
16 Juice Roast Beef Sandwich Pudding Fruit	17 White Milk Egg Sandwich Cookie Veggie & Dip	18 Juice Turkey Sandwich Yogurt Fruit	19 Chocolate Milk Pizza Wrap Granola Bar Fruit	20 <i>District Pro - D Day</i>
23 Juice Roast Beef Sandwich Granola Bar Fruit	24 White Milk Egg Sandwich Cookie Veggie & Dip	25 Juice Chicken Wrap Yogurt Cookie	26 Chocolate Milk Ham Sandwich Bits & Bites Fruit	27 Juice Cheese Sandwich Yogurt Veggie & Dip
30 White Milk Roast Beef Sandwich Bits & Bites Fruit				

PLEASE NOTE:

- WE DO NOT GUARANTEE A NUT-FREE ENVIRONMENT. ALL OF OUR BREADS AND BAKED GOODS MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF NUTS.
- MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY FROM SUPPLIERS.
- September 2019 Lunches: 15 @ \$6.00 = \$90.00
- Please pay with your (KEV) school cash on-line account.
- ORDER DUE TO OFFICE BY 9:00 AM, Wednesday September 4, 2019

James Park will be using E-forms this coming School Year. After we finalize Homerooms, we will activate this system online. We ask that you all use the online format of filling them out. **(Only sign the ones that will be inside the Student Planners/Agendas if you do not have a computer)** It will look like this below on the James Park Website.

eForms

REQUIRED FORMS – 1 FORM PER CHILD PER YEAR

School Policies

Must be completed at the start of **each** school year. Please visit the following link(s) prior to opening the School Policies form:

[School Code of Conduct](#)

Emergency Release

Must be completed at the start of **each** school year.

Fill out form, print it and drop it off at your child's school.

OPTIONAL FORMS

Medical Alert

To be completed at the start of **each** school year but **only** if your child has a medical concern.

Fill out form, print it and drop it off at your child's school.

Volunteer Application

To be completed **once at each school level** by parents and non-parents who are planning to volunteer at our school.

Driver Application

To be completed at the start of **each** school year by volunteers who are planning to transport students during school field trips.

Privately Owned Devices

To be completed for **each** device by staff or students who are planning to use privately owned devices (laptops, iPods, Blackberries, etc.) by connecting them to the district **wireless** or **wired** network.

Absence Report

To be completed when your child is going to be away from school.



As a HEALTHY SCHOOL we strive to promote a vibrant and healthy school through strong partnerships and collective action

What is a Healthy School Community?

Health and education are connected. Healthy students are better learners, and better educated students are healthier. All children deserve opportunities in every aspect of their school experience to foster their healthy physical, mental, social and intellectual development.

Working Together

My name is Diana and I am a public health nurse dedicated to working with schools and the school district to promote physical, emotional and social well-being using a Comprehensive School Health approach.

I am very excited to be working with James Park Elementary starting in September!! You will see me at various school events throughout the year bringing a variety of health related information and resources. Please come say hello and introduce yourself. I am looking forward to meeting students, families and staff.

Go to fraserhealth.ca to learn more about Healthy Schools.

See everyone in September - *Diana*

Description

Staff and students who wish to use personal owned devices at school must complete this form for each device.

Privately Owned Devices

[Click to view test form](#)

Description

This fillable PDF form is used to collect information about students who suffer from a medical condition. It is composed of 4 forms in 1:

- Medical Alert
- Administration of Medication
- Anaphylaxis Action Plan
- Diabetic Action Plan

Parents fill out form online, print it and return it to their child's school.

Frequency

This form must be submitted **each and every year if applicable** - one form per student.

Description

This form collects parent approval for the following items:

- School code of conduct, AP 355, 205, 165, 171, 132 & 380 and Policy 17 & 18
- Lost & Damaged Textbook Policy
- Walking Field Trip Permission
- Release of Student Photographs & Video Parental Consent
- Release of Information under Special Circumstances
- Email Notices Request
- Appropriate Internet Use (AP 140)

School Policies

[Click to view form](#)



THE SCHOOL YEAR IS IN FULL SWING PLEASE LOOK AFTER JAMES PARK

A new school year means that the school in your neighbourhood will be very active. We invite you to make sure that your school remains free from vandalism.

What You Can Do

Keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activities on the school grounds, especially after-hours. Signs of trouble include late night trespassers and the gathering of unorganized groups of people.

Everything you see and hear helps. Note the physical characteristics and clothing of individuals. If you see automobiles, jot down license plate numbers.

Report All Suspicious Activities to the Vandal Watch Tip Line

604-927-7600

***Call immediately when something raises your suspicions,
Do not wait for the damage to be done.***

Your Call is Anonymous and Confidential

No one will ask for your name or phone number. The Tip Line is available 24 hours a day. Security personnel will investigate and will take action or involve the police. Do not get involved in a confrontation yourself.

***KEEP THE TIP LINE PHONE NUMBER HANDY. MAKE SURE THE PHONE
NUMBER IS GIVEN ONLY TO RESPONSIBLE ADULTS.***

School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

School Calendar 2019-2020

DESIGNATION	
Schools open	Tuesday, Sept. 3
Pro D Day	Friday, Sept. 20
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, Oct. 14
Pro D Day	Friday, Oct. 25
Remembrance Day Stat Holiday	Monday, Nov. 11
Schools close for Winter vacation (last day in session)	Friday, Dec. 20
Winter vacation period	Dec. 23 – Jan. 3
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, Jan. 6
School Not in Session	Friday, Feb. 14
BC Family Day	Monday, Feb. 17
Pro D Day	Friday, Feb. 28
Schools close for Spring vacation (last day in session)	Friday, Mar. 13
Spring vacation period	Mar. 16 – 27
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Monday, Mar. 30
Good Friday	Friday, Apr. 10
Easter Monday	Monday, Apr. 13
Pro D Day	Friday, Apr. 17
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18
Last day of school for all students	Thursday, June 25
Administrative Day	Friday, June 26

**** Please note: an additional 2 school-based non –instructional days will be selected by each school.**

James Park School Based Pro D Days are:

Monday, January 27th 2020

Friday, May 29th 2020