



May Newsletter

Principal: Ms. T. Staples
Acting Vice-Principal: Mrs. Madden



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2018-19 School Schedule

- 9:00 a.m. Playground Supervision Begins/ Breakfast Program in Atrium
- 9:20 a.m. Classes Begin
- 11:50 a.m.-12:10 p.m. - KDG/Primary Lunch
- 12:10-12:50 p.m.—KDG/Primary Recess
- 11:50 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Jr/Int Recess
- 12:30 p.m.-12:50 p.m. - Jr/Int Lunch
- 3:20 p.m. —Dismissal

May Message:

As we head into the warmer weather, we continue to wish our students ongoing success at school. We have a lot of exciting events planned for May and June and have included the dates that we know of so far on Page 5.

We would like to wish Mrs. Link all the best as she is now off, waiting for the safe arrival of her precious little one. Mrs. Madden is replacing Mrs. Link in the role of Acting Vice-Principal.



Now that the nice weather is here, we are hoping that some students will join Mrs. Magee on their walk to school. To register your child for the Walking School

Bus to school, To Register Go To: <https://healthunit.org/health-information/physical-activity-rest/active-school-travel/walking-school-bus/> or contact the school for a paper copy of a registration form.

Students are encouraged to wear or bring a hat to protect them from the sun. We also encourage students to apply sunscreen prior to coming to school. With this warm weather approaching, it is a good time to be reminded of the expectations for appropriate dress at school. See Page 3 of this Newsletter.

For safety reasons, students are encouraged to wear safe footwear (not flip flops) if they want to play on the playstructures. Thank you for your support!

Duncan J. Schoular Families
If your child is absent, please contact the school prior to 9:20 a.m.

Phone: 613-283-1367

Text: 613-206-1443

Register through My Family Room and input electronically

<https://myfamilyroom.ca/Account/Login>



School Council Corner

This year's School Council Executive:

Chair—Jenna Ducharme

Vice-Chair—Katrina Steele

Secretary—Looking for Nominations

Treasurer—Peggy Norlock

Community Representative—Lisa Magee

Our next school council meeting is tomorrow, Tuesday, May 7th. This will be a short meeting, followed by planning for the Fun Night that will happen on June 20th this year. Please join us from 6:00—7:30 p.m. All Parent(s)/ Guardian(s) of DJS students are welcome to attend.

“Yoga for Anxiety with Katrina from MyTime Yoga”

This class will cover WHY yoga is so good in combating anxiety and depression. It will be a basic beginner hatha flow class. This class will have accommodations for all skill levels, beginner to advanced.

Tuesday, May 28th

Duncan J. Schoular

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Free Refreshments

Free Childcare

Registration Form is the last page of this newsletter.

The following information can also be found in the Agenda...

Dress Code

The dress code addresses several needs: the need to uphold a healthy self-image; the need to show respect for others; the need for a positive learning environment.

Everyone is expected to dress in a manner that is neat, clean and appropriate for the school environment.

Any clothing that promotes a lifestyle or an attitude that is contrary to a positive and safe learning environment is deemed to be inappropriate and cannot be worn.

Clothing with offensive, suggestive or inappropriate promotional slogans will not be tolerated.

Students are asked to maintain a pair of shoes with non-marking soles for indoor use. Slippers may not be worn unless they have rubber soles due to safety concerns. Flip flops are discouraged for safety reasons & cannot be worn for Physical Education and/or Daily Physical Activity.

Undergarments must be completely covered by outer clothing at all times.

Low hanging pants (showing undergarments); halter tops, backless or tube tops will not be permitted.

Tops must meet bottoms. No bare midriffs.

See-through or mesh garments must not expose skin or undergarments.

Hats are to be taken off indoors, except on special designated days.

Friendly Reminder....Cars, Parking and Drop Off

The front of the school is a "Fire Lane" and a bus loading zone; therefore, parking is not permitted in this area throughout the school day. Parent(s)/Guardian(s) dropping off their child can park their cars on Anderson Street leading up to the school property or on McGill Street and walk their child to the appropriate yard. Parents/Guardians of students in grade 1-8 may park on Thurber Street and drop students off at the walking path, past the school parking lot or students may enter the backyard via the entrance off of McKenzie Avenue. Cars parked in the reserved parking areas will be towed. Expenses incurred as a result will be the responsibility of the owner. Vehicles are not to be parked on school property overnight unless permission has been granted by the Principal. The school/board will not take any responsibility for damages incurred to any vehicle on school property. If you park on school property, this is done at your own risk.

EQAO DATES

Grade 3 students and Grade 6 students will be completing their EQAO Assessments during the two week period of May 21-June 3. Grade 3 students will write Tuesday, May 21st -Friday, May 24th, while Grade 6 students will write May 27th-May 30th. Please make every effort to book appointments (doctor, dentist, optometrist, etc.) outside of these dates. For more information, please visit www.eqao.com. There is a parent link where you will find materials, such as What Parents Need to Know About Province Wide– Testing, Videos, Questions and Answers, etc.

You can help your child be successful by ensuring that he or she has the following: a good breakfast each morning, a good night's sleep prior to each assessment day, and a substantial and healthy lunch.

Hot Lunch Program

Due to all the various activities going on in June, we will not be selling pizza, subs or milk.

We will start up the program again in the fall.

Special Hot Lunch Day

Thanks to a group of volunteers from the SFFMC and the Hospitality Class led by Chef Burns at SFDCl, all students at DJS will be able to have a special hot lunch day on **Wednesday, May 8th.**

Shepherds pie will be available to all students at lunch. Students are asked to still bring their snack and a drink.



Bicycle Safety—Riding Bicycles, Scooters on School Property:

To support student safety, we ask that once students reach school property they **walk** their bicycles and/or scooters. It is very busy before and after school in parking lots, on the sidewalks, etc.

Children and Youth: By law every cyclist under the age of 18 must wear an approved helmet. Riders under 16 years old: a parent or guardian must make sure their child wears a helmet.

The Young Children's Guide can be accessed at the following link:

<http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/pdfs/young-cyclist-guide.pdf>

The guide has information on bicycle equipment, riding tips, and rules of the road.

There is a designated place for students to park their bicycles and/or scooters. Students are encouraged to lock their bikes to the bike rack or the fence in this area.



Mark Your Calendars!

In an effort to ensure that families are aware of important upcoming dates, please find outlined below key dates coming up during the month of May and June. More events may be added.

May 2019:

Tues., May 7th –School Council 6-7:00 p.m. DJS Learning Commons

Mon., May 13th—Junior Detective Club—Grades 3 and 4 Lower Reach Park 10-11:30 a.m.

Mon., May 13th— 5th Annual Grade 7/8 Girls Rugby Day at SFDCI

Wed., May 15th—MASC Presentation for All Students

Thurs., May 16th—Volunteer Appreciation Tea (3:30-4:30 p.m.) DJS Learning Commons

Thurs., May 16th DJS Track and Field Meet Grades 4-8 (rain date Friday, May 17th)

Mon., May 20th —Victoria Day (No School)

Tues., May 21st—Fri., May 24th—EQAO Grade 3 Students

Friday, May 24th —MADD presentation Grade 7/8

Mon., May 27th—Thurs., May 30th—EQAO Grade 6 Students

Thurs., May 28th—MyTime Yoga—Free Event by School Council 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Thurs., May 29th Grade 7/8 Track Meet SFDCI for those that qualify (Rain Date May 30th)

Friday, May 31st PA Day (no school for students)



June 2019:

Tues., June 4th —School Council 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Thurs., June 6th (Rain Date—June 7th) Family of Schools Track & Field Gr 4-6 (students who qualify)

Tues., June 12th—School Council (6:00 p.m.) DJS Learning Commons

Tues., June 18th– International Picnic Day—Special Lunch (TO BE CONFIRMED)

Thurs., June 20th—End of the Year Fun Night

Fri., June 21st—KG Celebration (Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Invited Outdoors a.m. (Raindate Mon., June 24th)

Tues., June 25th—Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony 6:00 p.m. DJS Gym (Dance to Follow at Chimo School)

Thurs., June 27th—Last Day of School, Report Cards Sent Home & AM Fun Day

Thurs., June 28th—PA Day (Enjoy your summer...see you in September)



May is School Bus Driver Appreciation Month

GEAR Up for Driver Appreciation Month

*** Gratitude * Enthusiasm * Appreciation * Recognition ***

For many students, the school day unofficially begins when they board the bus each morning. Bus drivers play an integral role not only in overseeing the safety and well-being of their student travelers, but in setting the tenor for the remainder of their day at school.

May is Driver Appreciation Month and STEO is stoked to provide students and school personnel with an opportunity to express thanks to their bus drivers for all they do to keep their travelers safe and happy. We will be hosting an appreciation event this month at DJS for our drivers.



Elementary E-Bits May 2019

For Families:

Lyme Disease is Preventable. Ticks that may carry the bacteria that cause Lyme disease are now found throughout our region. As temperatures rise above 4°C ticks become active and begin to look for a blood meal. While not all ticks carry the bacteria, if an infected tick bites you and remains attached for over 24 hours you may be at an increased risk of getting Lyme disease. Lyme disease is preventable. Always do a tick check when you return from the outdoors and remove ticks promptly. For more information visit www.healthunit.org

Are you divorced or separated? Are you worried that your child or teen might be caught in the middle? Arguments about holidays and birthdays, dealing with ex-partners, financial concerns – these might be just a few of the things you are dealing with. Triple P's **Family Transitions** course can help. You will learn ways to deal with these issues, manage emotions and protect your child from the trauma of your situation. First Family Transitions Group starts on May 15 at 9:30 am and is 3 weekly sessions in length; second one will start on June 6 at 5:00 pm with 3 weekly sessions. To learn more or to sign up today, call 1-800-660-5853, visit www.triplep-parenting.ca or email triplep@healthunit.org. Parenting Matters!

Special Free Lunch

Wednesday, May 8th

Shepherd's Pie

Students are to bring
their drink and snack(s)

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please contact the school
prior to 9:20 a.m.

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Text: 613-206-1443

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Room and input electronically

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Account/Login](https://myfamilyroom.ca/Account/Login)

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, May 7th

6-7:30 p.m.

DJS Conference Room

Junior/Intermediate
Grades 4-8 Track Meet
at DJS

Thursday, May 16th

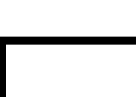
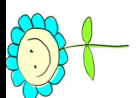
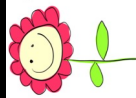
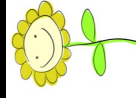
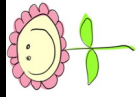
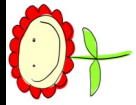
Raindate of May 17th

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)
are asked to sign in at
the office if they wish to
watch students on the
yard

Contact the school if
you are registering or
know of someone who
would like to register
their child for KG.

613-283-1367

May 2019



"Dare to Care, Dare to Dream, Dare to Soar"

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1 DAY 3	2 DAY 4	3 DAY 5 Pizza Day	4
5	6 DAY 1 	7 DAY 2 6:00-7:30 P.M.	8 DAY 3 Special Free Hot Lunch Shepherd's Pie	9 DAY 4	10 DAY 5 Sub Day 	11
12	13 DAY 1 Grade 3 & 4 JR Detective Day Grade 7/8 Girls - Rugby SFDCI	14 DAY 2	15 DAY 3 MASC Presentation All Students	16 DAY 4 JR/INT Track Meet GRADE 4-8 Volunteer Appreciation 3:30-4:30 p.m.	17 DAY 5 Pizza Day Rain Date Track Meet	18
19	20 	21 DAY 1 	22 DAY 2	23 DAY 3 EQAO Grade 3	24 DAY 4 Sub Day 	25
26	27 DAY 5 	28 DAY 1 MyTime Yoga - FREE Event 6:30-7:30 p.m.	29 DAY 2	30 DAY 3	31 P.A. DAY 	1
2	3 	EQAO Grade 6		No School For Students		
			GR 7/8 TRACK MEET SFDCI (qualified)	Rain Date GR 7/8 Track Meet		
			Five Student Names are drawn, the first day of the week. These students choose three friends to share a special activity with during lunch & recess.			



FREE WORKSHOP FOR Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Offered by Duncan J. Schoular School Council

WHEN: Tuesday, May 28th

WHERE: Duncan J. Schoular Public School

TIME: 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm

PRESENTER: Katrina from MyTime Yoga

This class will cover WHY Yoga is so good in combating anxiety and depression. It will be a basic beginner hatha flow class. This class will have accommodations for all skill levels, beginner to advanced.

FREE CHILDCARE

FREE REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

TO REGISTER PLEASE DETACH and RETURN TO THE OFFICE

OR

Contact School Council Chair, Jenna Ducharme at ducharmejenna@gmail.com

REGISTER BY: Friday, May 24th, 2019



Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Attending (please print)

Contact email address or phone number: _____

Childcare Required

Name of Child	Age of Child
e.g., Cary	8