

ÉCOLE JESSIE LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Hello Jessie Lee Families,

We have been using our **school website**: https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/jessie to share stories and alerts with you as they happen. We hope that you have been following. Please be sure to download the **SchoolLink App** for your personal device if you have not done so already. Set the settings for Jessie Lee alerts so that you stay up to date. Here are a few more important topics that we would like to share with you:

Halloween is right around the corner! It is the time of year when many people get excited about costumes and children often want to wear all or part of their costumes leading up to the 31st. Please help us by keeping masks that cover the faces at home. At school, we respond to the needs of children by their facial expressions. Also, we have a lot of children that could be scared easily and we would like them to feel comfortable and safe during the day. The school district Safe Schools department has put out a Safe Schools Halloween Initiative. We have posted it on our website. Please take a look. We have an exciting Halloween assembly at 10:30 on October 31st. You are welcome to join us for the assembly.

As you know, our school community is growing! As a result, space is at a premium, both inside and outside. We have four diagonal visitor's **parking** spaces located alongside the exit driveway. The rest of the parking south of the school and along the tree line are for staff. There is plenty of parking on the street along the school. We thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Just a friendly reminder, *smoking or vaping any form of substance is not allowed on school property*. This policy is in place for the wellbeing of all who come to Jessie Lee. This is District policy 7214.

Toys and trading cards can be lots of fun! Please encourage your children to keep them safe at home. We have had some incidences on the playground with trading and loss that has resulted in unhappy students.

Jessie Lee is fortunate to be part of the **BC Fruit & Vegetable Nutrition Program and Milk Program**. It encourages healthy eating by providing fresh fruits and vegetables every other week. A form is coming home with further information. Please indicate any allergies that we should be aware of, or if you prefer that your child not participate.

Finally, we would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to the Indigo and our community for sponsoring our school. Indigo, with the help of the school community, was able to raise \$4300 for our school's library and classrooms!! We will be able to provide students with more book choices and supplies for ADST!

We hope to see some of you at our **Wellness Expo this evening**, **6:00 – 7:30 pm**. There will be information tables set up and a presentation from 6:30 – 7:00 pm. The experts will be available for questions and further discussion until 7:30 pm. As mentioned on the school website, the priorities for this Wellness evening are to: share resources for parents on mind body connection as realted to LIVE 5210; recognize how exercise and wellbeing can impact our mental health; and acknowledge how our body reacts to stress and techniques to reduce the effects.

Look forward to seeing you soon,

Ms. Turner and Mr. Van Sant