



May 15, 2025



Dear Blue Jay Families,

With only six weeks left in the 2024-2025 school year, we are enjoying all of our learning and time with friends as much as possible! Students are working hard to master grade level expectations, and to be on their best behavior so that they can enjoy the privileges of year-end field trips, assemblies, and celebrations.

Will your child be attending Blue Jay Elementary next year? If you are moving or changing schools, please inform the office immediately as planning for next year has already begun.

Morning Reminder:

- A reminder that the first bell rings at 8:30am, and all classroom doors are opened at the second bell at 8:35am. Doors are then closed as instruction begins, and any late students should enter through the main front doors of the school. Thank you for getting your children to school on time!

Student Attendance:

- Your child's attendance matters a lot, as it directly impacts their learning and achievement! Every grade of school matters, as each grade builds on the learning that occurred the year prior. Elementary school lays the foundation for learning that will be essential in Middle and High School later in life, plus this is when good habits are built!

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



Noon Hour Supervisors:

Are you interested in being a Casual Noon Hour Supervisor at Blue Jay next year? Supervisors work from 12:00-1:00, Monday-Friday, and must have a Criminal Record Check completed through the School District. Please contact the office for more information.

Happenings from the Past Month:

- Reading Link Club wrapped up the end of their year with a pizza party. Thank you to Ms. Hendy, Ms. Mani and Ms. Pederson for volunteering your lunch times for this club!
- Grade 4 students completed the Student Learning Surveys
- Class Photo Day took place, and a photo will come home with each student this week!
- Students in Div 6, 7, 8 and 9 went to the Blue Heron Reserve in Chilliwack
- Grade 4 students went to Fort Langley
- Ms. Kirkwood's class went to Aldergrove Regional Park
- Ms. Pauls and Mr. Peters brought Indigenous students on a field trip to Stanley Park
- Grade 5 students had a tour of Reimer Middle School to prepare for next year

Parent Survey: If you haven't done so yet this year, please take a moment to complete our 2-minute survey. Your feedback on one of our school goals about students belonging here at Blue Jay Elementary is appreciated.



PAC – Everyone is Welcome: Our next PAC Meeting is Friday, May 23rd at 2:30PM in the Library; please plan to attend to share your opinions and ask questions. We will be electing a new President and Vice President for next year. For every adult who attends the PAC Meeting, there will be a treat given to the students of the family at school the next week!!

Your input matters! Without parent volunteers, we cannot have PAC activities such as Popcorn Day, Movie Night, or the Scholastic Book Fair. Questions? Email PAC [at bluejaypac@gmail.com](mailto:atbluejaypac@gmail.com).

Important Dates to Note :

May 16-Non-Instructional Day #6

May 19-Victoria Day holiday

May 23-Ready, Set, Learn in the Gym for next year's Kindergarten students 1:00-2:00PM

-PAC meeting, 2:30-3:00PM in the LLC

May 26-School Spirit Day: Backwards Day

May 30-Band performance from the Rick Hansen Band

June 9-Gr 4/5 Track Meet at Rotary Stadium

June 20-Sports Day

June 23-Grade 5 Celebration Assembly, 9:00-10:35AM

June 25-Grade 5 trip to the Cultus Waterpark

June 26-Last day of school for students