

Friday, April 26

April 29	30	May 1	2	3
Track practice	Cross Country	Field trip Div. 15	Div. 17, 18 and 19	Jump Rope for
Grades 3, 4 and 5	meet, Topaz Park	Family Lego Night	to Goldstream	Heart Day!
Monday to	Swimming Div. 5, 4,	6:00 in the Parent	Swimming for Div.	
Thursdays at 3:00-	8, and 24	Room	6, 7, 22 and 23	
3:45			Story Studio kick- off assembly 1:00	
6	7	8	9	10
Music Monday -	Story Studio begins!		Swimming for Div.	Div. 14, 15 and 16
assembly at 1:00	Swimming Div. 5, 4,		6, 7, 22 and 23	to Goldstream
	8, and 24			
	Parent Education			
	Night - Screens			
	6:30-8:30			
May 16 - District Transition Day for Grade 5s			May 20- Victoria Day, no school	
May 17 - Pro-D Day, all staff at George Jay			<ul> <li>May 31 – Class photos</li> </ul>	

## Principal and Vice Principal's Message

Wow! What an amazing week we have had celebrating literacy! The staff has worked hard to make this an engaging and active week of reading, reading and reading. A special Thank You! to Rebecca Bathurst-Hunt and Cathy Carter for giving up their Easter Weekend to decorate our school and organize the literacy bins. George Jay is very lucky to have so many staff members who go above and beyond to make our school a positive learning community.

Thank you to Mme Goulet for her tireless organization of Spring Cross Country. An additional thank you to Miss Bouthillier for helping out at practices.





As you can see from our calendar, we have a lot of exciting events in the next few weeks. Track practices will be starting on Monday. If you have any questions concerning track, please contact Ms. Nugent.

A reminder that in May, 10 of our classes will be participating in Story Studio. This is an opportunity for students to construct their very own story book. George Jay has welcomed Story Studio before and it is always an engaging learning activity. The students finish with a book to take home and one to keep in our library. This year we will have an author in residence. Eric Wilson will be our author in residence - check out some of his great mystery stories in the public library or in our school library.

Music Monday is a celebration of music on Monday, May 6. We will be having a celebratory assembly at 1:00. We will have the whole school singing, ukuleles playing, drumming, Intermediate Choir and a performance from our Dance Club.



From the Jump Rope for Heart Coordinators Ms. Mulvihill and Mme Moores:

This year George Jay Elementary will be participating in an amazing fundraiser - Jump

Rope for Heart! We want everyone in our lives to have a healthy heart and it is EASY. Eat fruits and vegetables. Be Active for an hour or more per day. No more than 2 hours of Screen time per day. And say Yes to water and no to sugary drinks. Each child has been sent home with a pledge form to raise funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. We have come up with some creative ways to raise fund including running a lemonade stand, doing extra chores at home for money or even asking friends or family to help. On May

3rd we will come together as a school to participate in some active activities including jumping rope and exciting centres in the gym. Please help us raise money for such a worthy cause. Thank you in advance!

## <u>Please don't forget to use our attendance email</u> GeorgeJayAttendance@sd61.bc.ca

We will be phasing out our current phone message system for attendance. With the growth of our school, it is no longer realistic for Mrs. Carlos to listen to and record all of the absences phoned in. The email system allows us to alert teachers and to quickly and efficiently enter excused absences into our data system.

As you can see, George Jay is a happening place. As always, we encourage you to contact your classroom teacher, myself or Joy if you have any questions or concerns or celebrations that you would like to share.

Warm regards, Joy and Melanie





## PAC News

George Jay Health and Wellness Committee has partnered with the online grocery store <u>SPUD.ca</u>! **SPUD will donate 25% back** from every produce box purchased from <u>SPUD.ca/fundraising</u>. You can also purchase a variety of other natural and organic groceries from <u>SPUD.ca</u> with **free home delivery**! If you pay with gift cards from <u>SPUD.ca/spudcards</u>, a **10% donation** will be made from the purchase of any item on the website. SPUD has high sourcing standards with an emphasis on local and organic and offers a 100% guarantee on all purchases

New users referral code gets \$20 off orders over \$50 and then George Jay gets \$20 in the school account to spend on Spud groceries.

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