

# George Jay News

Friday, May 10

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| <p>May 13</p> <p>Track practice<br/>Hands up survey<br/>begins for Ready<br/>Step Roll</p>  | <p>14</p> <p>Story Studio</p>                                       | <p>15</p> <p>Story Studio</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Story Studio</p> <p>District Transition<br/>Afternoon for Grade 5<br/>students</p>  | <p>17</p> <p>Pro-D Day</p> <p>Students not in<br/>session</p>  |
| <p>20</p> <p>Victoria Day-<br/>No school</p>    | <p>21</p> <p>Story Studio</p> <p>Multicultural Week<br/>Begins</p>  | <p>22</p>                     | <p>23</p> <p>Story Studio</p>  | <p>24</p>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May 27 - District track meet (during the day)</li> <li>May 30 - Welcome to Kindergarten</li> </ul>                                   |  |                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May 30 - PAC meeting</li> <li>May 31 - Class photos</li> </ul>  |   |

## Principal and Vice Principal's Message

This week started with a very special event - the Dance Showcase. George Jay won the award for The Joy of Dance. This award has never been won by an elementary school before - Go George Jay!



Track is well under way. We have lots of runners and they are working hard to learn the proper techniques of running track and relays.



Our Kindie and Kindie/Grade 1 classes have set their salmon free! The classes spent to amazing days at Goldstream Park releasing the salmon, learning about the salmon in the stream and enjoying being in nature.

The Grade 5 students will be visiting their middle schools during District Transition Day. This is an opportunity for our students to spend time in their middle school and to learn about the great activities available to them next year.

Music Monday was a joyful success. The whole school sang a song together. This song was sung by students across the country on Music Monday. The dance group

performed their award winning dance; drummers lead us in a song, ukuleles belted out a catchy number and the school was captivated by the talents of our students.

We held a celebration for our Jump Rope for Heart campaign. The kids did a variety of jumping activities and we did a big reveal. George Jay raised \$4209.50 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Way to go! This was a great opportunity for our students to learn about charities and giving back to their community. Thank you to Lisa Mulvihill and Jenna Moores for all of their efforts to make this a successful activity.

Many parents have noticed the construction zone on our Kindie drop off and pick up area. Our gardening committee secured funding to get water to our garden. Everyone knows that plants don't grow without water and now we have water! The district is completing the job as quickly as possible and we appreciate everyone's patience as the project nears completion.



George Jay begins the Ready Step Roll program next week. Our first project is a hands up survey. The teachers will ask the students how they got to and from school and record the information. This data will be used to gain an understanding of how our students are traveling to school. There is also a family Parent survey.

The online survey will open on May 13 and the information is attached.

**Please don't forget to use our attendance email**

**[GeorgeJayAttendance@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:GeorgeJayAttendance@sd61.bc.ca)**

This is the last month for our phone message service for absences. If your child will be absent, please use the attendance email. A link to the email will be posted on our school website. Thank you for your support as we try to streamline processes at George Jay

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

*Take Care*



**THANKS!**

