



GRAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Just like that we are in February! January was a busy month at school with different field trips, our annual Read All Day event and of course, those unexpected snow days. We have also been busy planning for our upcoming basketball season, lacrosse lessons, ski trips, Black Excellence Month and Lunar New Year Celebrations. There is a lot to look forward to and hopefully we will also start to notice the days getting longer as well. Please take a look at some upcoming district and school events.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2024/2025

A child may be registered to attend Kindergarten in September 2024 if their fifth birthday occurs on or before December 31, 2019.

There are two registration options available to parents. Parents may submit an application online through a MyEd Portal anytime between Feb 12th and Feb 23th or parents may submit an application in person on Wednesday, February 13th between 9:00 am and Noon. Either option is acceptable, as all applications will be given the same priority whether families choose to register in person or online. [Click Here for More Information](#)



SAFETY PROCEDURES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

We have been noticing an increase of family members on the school grounds during recess and lunch play times. Any adults that work at our school have undergone a criminal record check in order to ensure the safety of our students. As a result of school safety policies such as these, our lunch time supervision staff will approach any adult on the school grounds and ask them to leave during our play times. With so many kids needing supervision, this can be a challenge. We are respectfully asking that you please avoid visiting your children on the playground during recess (10:20 am – 10:35 am) and lunch (12:25 pm – 1:00 pm). We also ask that you use the dog park outside of these times. You are welcome to email or visit the office if you have a message for your child.



Grade 7 Fundraiser – Pizza Hut Hot Lunch

The Grade 7's will be sponsoring a Pizza Hut hot lunch on Wednesday, February 14th to raise money for their year end celebration. More information will be coming out about this on Monday. Stay tuned!

The Great All-American Musical Disaster

This year, the North Delta Secondary Theatre Department will be proudly presenting a family-friendly, comedic play called “The Great All-American Musical Disaster.” This hysterical, fast-paced play, set in the land of Hollywood, will be sure to take you for a whirl! This production will be playing from February 21st – 23rd at 7 pm. Tickets can be bought [here](#).

KEEPING KIDS SAFE ONLINE AND IN SCHOOL

We welcome the [BC Government's announcement last Friday](#) aimed at keeping kids and young adults safe from online threats, restricting the use of cellphones in schools and holding social media companies accountable.

The Delta School District already has an administrative procedure in place to cover the use of Personal Communication Devices ([Admin Procedure 145](#)) that provides guidance for schools and educators. In the coming months, the district expects to receive more detailed guidelines from the government regarding the restriction of students' cellphone use in schools. Once that information is received, the district will look at making any necessary changes for implementation at the start of the new school year in September.

PAC News

Happiness is yelling "Bingo!" - PAC Bingo Night is Back!

Come and join us at the annual Gray Elementary Bingo Night, on Friday February 23rd. There will be games, prizes and an ice cream sundae bar, guaranteed to cheer you up - even if you don't win! Doors open at 6:30 pm, with the first Bingo game starting at 7:00 pm. Pre-orders will be available soon on Munchalunch.

To make this event successful, we need prize **donations**. We welcome corporate donations or any new, unused items you may wish to donate - some ideas include crafts, children's games, toys, gift cards - the possibilities are endless! Prizes can be sent to the school with your child or dropped off at the office before Wednesday, February 21st.

We hope to see you there!



Upcoming Events



Monday, February 5th
Monday, February 12th
Wednesday, February 14th

Friday, February 16th
Monday, February 19th
Friday, February 23rd
Wednesday, February 28th

Vancouver Warriors Lacrosse Presentation
Lunar New Year Assemblies
Valentine's Day, Pizza Hut Hot Lunch and Red and Pink Day
Professional Development Day – No School
Family Day – No School
Bingo Night
Pink Shirt Day

Respectfully,

Mr. J. Mann
Principal

Ms. T. Sohal
Vice-Principal