

Goings-On at Gray



From the Principal's Desk

A year ago I was writing this intro comment, leading into a time with so many unknowns. It is amazing how much things have changed and how through this year we have learned a lot about ourselves, our community and our world. Here at Gray, the students continue to amaze and inspire me every day. Their commitment to keep one another healthy, their maturity to follow the expectations and the support they provide to one another is beyond compare. We have an amazing group of individuals here and watching them grow gives me hope for our future.

As the second term wraps up and Spring break approaches, remember to take the time you need for yourselves and for your family. As of right now, this Spring break we will still be following the restrictions set out and we encourage all families to follow these, but to also find alternate ways to engage with your family and enjoy the time together. We hope that you enjoy the next few weeks as we transition into Spring and we look forward to working with your families for the final term of the year.

Connectedness Activity

This month's activity will be a simple one. Please take a photo of you and your family doing something you love over Spring break and then share it Mr. Klassen at pklassen@deltasd.bc.ca. He will then add it to the school website. Let's spend this time seeing what our community gets up to during Spring break and celebrate everyone for who they are. If your break is anything like Mr. Klassen's it will be filled with renovations and work around the home. We look forward to being brought into your worlds.



March 2021

Keep up to date on the "Goings-On at Gray" by book-marking the Gray Website.

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Mark Your Calendars:

- ♦ **Mar 5th**
Subway Lunch Day & Crazy Hair Day
- ♦ **March 9th**
Report Cards posted on Parent Connect
- ♦ **March 11th**
Early Dismissal
- ♦ **March 11th**
Hard copy Purdy Orders Due
- ♦ **March 12th**
Fresh Slice Lunch Day
- ♦ **Mar 12th**
Last day of Classes before Spring Break
- ♦ **Mar 20th**
Online Purdy orders due
- ♦ **Mar 29th**
First Day of Classes after Spring Break
- ♦ **Mar 31st**
Purdy Orders sent home

Jump Rope for Heart

Congratulations Gray Community. We have done a stellar job of raising money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. This year, our students and staff raised a total of \$4211.00. There were a few students who raised over \$500 each and some even over \$1000. You know who you are and we are beyond impressed with your dedication to supporting the cause. Thank you Gray Community for continuing to shine and support during these unprecedented times.



Optional Parent Teacher Interviews

On March 11, students will have an early dismissal for parent teacher conferences.

Students who start at 8:55 will be dismissed at 1:50 p.m. and students who start at 9:05 will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m.

These conferences are not meant for everyone, and are just here to provide an extra time for teachers to meet with students and their families and to discuss any concerns that may have arisen. Teachers will be facilitating these appointments, by contacting families to setup a time between 2:00 and 4:00pm. If you feel that you need to meet with your child's teacher, please feel free to e-mail them or contact them to discuss if an appointment is warranted.

As a gentle reminder, student-led conferences will continue as scheduled on Thursday, April 15th. Although this will be done virtually, it will still be another option for families interested to talk with the classroom teacher about their child's learning. More information will be available below, and will be provided after Spring Break. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Klassen at the office.

On Line Report Cards - March 9th



It is that time of year again and second term is almost complete. Report cards will be available for all parents as of 3:00pm on Tuesday, March 9th, 2021. You can access your child's current and previous report cards through Parent Connect. Just a reminder that not all internet browsers will display the evaluations, and so we recommend using Google Chrome if possible. If you have further questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's classroom teacher.

Student Led Conference - April



This year student led conferences are going to look a little different. As a staff, we have decided to make this a two part opportunity for parents to engage their children in what they have been learning. This is a time for you to explore your child's learning alongside them and to enjoy sharing an experience where they are the expert and will walk you through their learning process.

On Friday, April 9th, each child will be bringing home a folder or document to demonstrate their learning. Please take some time over the weekend to go over this learning experience to share in your child's progress at school. We will be collecting all of the documents back, as well as asking parents to sign or return a slip that ensures all students had the opportunity to share their learning.

The following Thursday, April 15th, students will again be dismissed at 2:00pm. If parents are interested they will then sign up with their classroom teacher to have a brief conversation about their child's progress. This is an optional time for parents to further ask questions on the learning experience sent home.



Our Easter Purdys Campaign is Back!

Online orders are due **March 20th** and all orders will be sent home with students on March 31st. It's easy to support this fundraiser:

1. Sign in or create a new account by visiting <https://fundraising.purdys.com/login.aspx>
2. If you're creating a new account, please enter customer number 36111 on the registration page.
3. If you're signing into an existing account, enter 36111 into the search bar that will come up after you've signed in.
4. Click on JOIN CAMPAIGN 36111

25% of all sales will go back to Gray Elementary - thank you for your continued support!



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NEXT PAC MEETING...

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28TH @ 7PM

ZOOM LINK WILL BE EMAILED

Hot Lunch



Next Hot Lunch Dates

March 5th - Subway

March 12th - Fresh Slice

— SPRING BREAK —

April 9th - Cobs Bread

April 16th - Pizza Hut

(Ordering is now closed.)

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS



COBS BREAD

