



# Jessie Duncan School Newsletter

*A proud part of Chinook's Edge School Division #73*

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## Principal's Message

Our first month of school is behind us already! It's been a busy month learning new routines, getting to know each other and jumping into our lessons. We have held two fire drills, celebrated Terry Fox and Orange Shirt Day and held a Kindergarten Open House! Getting a good start is so important and our success has been due to the hard work of so many and I can not express enough appreciation to our students, staff and parents for this.

Our weather this past month has been beautiful. Even with that warm weather, we need to dress for multiple seasons all in the same day. Our mornings have been as cold as -1 degrees celsius and the afternoons have warmed to 23 degrees celsius. We ask that you send your children with the appropriate clothing to keep them warm during our recess times. Physical activity and the opportunity to move is very important and we always make every effort to go outside for recess. We have indoor recess when there is a steady rain or the temperature drops below -22 celsius. Otherwise we will be outside having a great time on the playground!

Our School Council had its first meeting of the year. Thank you to everyone who attended and for supporting our school. The continued support of our parents is important for the success of all our students. If you are interested in attending the next meeting it will be held at 7:00 pm, October 19th, at the school. All are welcome!

Kory Sholdice  
 Principal  
 Jessie Duncan Elementary School

### Terry Fox Run

Thank you for supporting our annual Terry Fox Run. Our school raised **\$409.71** for The Terry Fox Foundation.  
**GOOD JOB KIDS!!!!**



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## OCT 2021

**Mark Your Calendar**

**Oct 6:** Power Awards Assembly

**Oct 10:** Thanksgiving No School

**Oct 12:** Hot Lunch

**Oct 17:** Picture Day for:

- ◇ Kinder—M/W
- ◇ Grade 2 (2B 2D 2N)
- ◇ Grade 3

**Oct 18** Picture Day for:

- ◇ PreK
- ◇ Kinder—T/Th
- ◇ Grade 1 (1D 1P 1S 1/2W)

**Oct 21:** No School

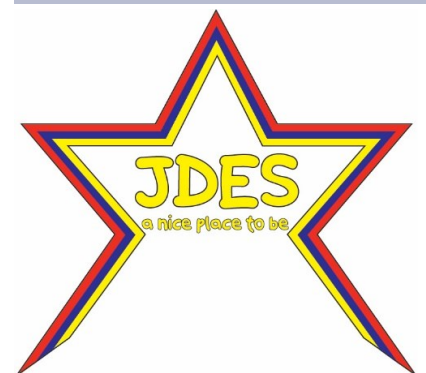
**Oct 25:** No Kindergarten

**Oct 25-27:** P/T Interviews

**Oct 31:** School Supplies Fee payment due

**Coming Up**

**Nov 1:** Hot Lunch Orders Due by 10am





## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Lifetouch will be here on *Oct. 17 & 18* to take photos. *Also, this year we will be having class photos.*

### **Monday, Oct. 17th**

Kindergarten M/W

Grade 2 (2B 2D 2N)

Grade 3

### **Tuesday, Oct. 18th**

Pre-K

Kindergarten T / Th

Grade 1 (1D 1P 1S 1/2W)

## **Student Dismissal Plans**

Please communicate directly to the teacher or call the office when the usual after school plans have changed for your child. We need parental consent to change the plan via phone, message or email.

Thank you for your help to keep dismissal for your child's after school plans go smoothly each day! We appreciate it!



# Why are students Chronically Absent and how can we help?



CHINOOK'S EDGE  
SCHOOL DIVISION

## Myths

Absences are only a problem if they are unexcused

Sporadic versus consecutive absences aren't a problem

Attendance only matters in the older grades

## Barriers

Chronic Illness

Lack of access to health or dental care

Trauma

Poor Transportation

No safe path to school

## Aversion

Child struggling academically

Lack of engagement in the instruction

Incompatible school climate

Parents had negative school experience



# CILANTRO AND CHIVE

"Reading is dreaming with open eyes".

We're thrilled to help Jessie Duncan Elementary School in Penhold continue to give opportunities for kids to read and dream, as well as keep them moving! Jessie Duncan is the latest school on the receiving end of funds from our School Ice Cream Sandwich Program at our Red Deer location.

Every three months, the culinary teams at both of our restaurant locations create an out of this world ice cream sandwich and we select a local school to benefit from ice cream sandwich sales, kicking back \$1 of every sandwich sold to a program or project of the school's choice.

The "Cherry Explosion Jolly Rancher" ice cream sandwich landed on our Red Deer menu from June through August. It included cherry explosion ice cream with Jolly Rancher pieces, between two monster cookies and topped with whipped cream and crushed Jolly Rancher candy. \$1 from every ice cream sandwich sold will go towards the purchase of new gym equipment and library books at Jessie Duncan!

Our team was thrilled to team up with students to help assemble and deliver ice cream sandwiches to the school population through a pop-up ice cream sandwich sale in June. High 5's all around to the parents that chipped in the cash to order these sweet lunch treats, affording us the opportunity to raise some additional funds for the school!

Today (September 19th) we handed over a cheque to Jessie Duncan Elementary for \$956 which included \$732 raised from the school lunch order (we're happy to kick back FULL lunch order proceeds!)

Our next Ice Cream Sandwich at our Red Deer location is the "Chocolate Chip Waffle" Ice Cream Sandwich in support of Ecole Oriole Park School in Red Deer. It includes house-made chocolate chip waffles, chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream and whipped cream topped with chocolate sauce. \$1 from every ice cream sandwich sold will go towards a new outdoor garden at the school!

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Cilantro and Chive Co-Owner Rieley Kay was pumped to hand over ice cream sandwich proceeds to Jessie Duncan Elementary School in Penhold today (Monday, September 19th). He's joined by Principal Kory Sholdice.



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## ATB Financial®

These ladies from Penhold ATB Financial delivered Tim Hortons smile cookies for every student at JDES in support of Penhold Youth Club.





# 2022-2023 Hot Lunch Schedule

Hot lunch orders are to be made online by 10am on the Due Date. **CLICK => Quick Links** menu tab on our website and click 'Online Fee Payments' at [www.jessieduncan.ca](http://www.jessieduncan.ca). You can order for as many months as you want. Hot lunch orders will be delivered to the student's classrooms at lunch time. **\*\*Cancellation:** *If you notify us prior to the due date of the hot lunch you can be refunded. If your child is sick on the date of the lunch, the teacher will save it for the next day, but it will be too late for a refund. If there is a yellow inclement weather day and buses are canceled but school is in session it is non-refundable as it is a school fundraiser. Red Days hot lunch will be rescheduled.* **See Online Payment instructions on the back of this schedule.**

## **OCTOBER Orders Due Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>**

Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 Boston Pizza w/ juice box and Treat (Cheese, Pepperoni or Hawaiian)

Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, Tue. – \$5.50 Macaroni & Cheese and Chocolate Chip Cookie with Juice Box

## **NOVEMBER Orders Due Nov 1<sup>st</sup>**

Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, Tue. – \$5.50 DQ Burger w/ice cream sandwich & juice box (Hamburger or Cheeseburger)

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 Fettuccini Alfredo and Chocolate Chip Cookie with juice box

## **DECEMBER Orders Due Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>**

Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 2pc or \$6.50 4pc - Chicken Strips and chocolate chip cookie with juice box

Dec 20<sup>th</sup>, Tue. – \$5.50 Boston Pizza w/ juice box & Treat (Cheese, Pepperoni or Hawaiian)

## **JANUARY Orders Due Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Jan 10<sup>th</sup>, Tues. – \$5.50 Macaroni & Cheese w/ juice box and Chocolate Chip Cookie

Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 DQ Burger w/ice cream sandwich & juice box (Hamburger or Cheeseburger)

## **FEBRUARY Orders Due Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>**

Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 2pc or \$6.50 4pc - Chicken Strips and chocolate chip cookie with juice box

Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, Tues. – \$5.50 Chilli and Biscuit with Juice Box

## **MARCH Orders Due Mar 1<sup>st</sup>**

Mar 14<sup>th</sup>, Tues. – \$5.50 Boston Pizza w/ juice box and Treat (Cheese, Pepperoni or Hawaiian)

March 29<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 Taco in a Bowl (instead of bag) and Chocolate Chip Cookie w/Juice Box

## **APRIL Orders Due April 4<sup>th</sup>**

April 19<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 DQ Burger w/ice cream sandwich & juice box (Hamburger or Cheeseburger)

April 25<sup>th</sup>, Tues. – \$5.50 Fettuccini Alfredo and Chocolate Chip Cookie with juice box

## **MAY Orders Due May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

May 9<sup>th</sup>, Tues. – \$5.50 2pc or \$6.50 4pc - Chicken Strips and chocolate chip cookie with juice box

May 24<sup>th</sup>, Wed. – \$5.50 Boston Pizza w/ juice box and Treat (Cheese, Pepperoni or Hawaiian)





Chinook's Edge School Division is pleased to announce our online fee payment portal, Student QuickPay. In an effort to reduce time, money and paper waste, parents of returning students can avoid the long lines of school start-up and pay their children's fees through a secure online website. Examples of school fees you can pay for online include *Elementary fees, hot lunch orders, swim lesson fees, library fines etc.*

With a few simple mouse clicks, parents can view assessed fees, any outstanding balances, and pay for multiple children at Chinook's Edge in a single transaction.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **What do I need to use Student QuickPay?**

Parents will need access to the Internet and sign up for an account with a valid email address. They will also need a credit or debit card and have their child's student ID number readily available.

#### **What are the costs to parents when using Student QuickPay?**

We do not charge a fee to use Student QuickPay, however, standard bank and/or credit card service charges may apply.

#### **What are the methods of online payment?**

You can pay with Visa, MasterCard, American Express, PrePaid Credit Cards, and Interac Debit.

#### **My child's information is displayed incorrectly. How do I change this?**

Please contact your child's school directly to change any student information.

#### **My child has been assessed fees that should not be on their account. How do I change this?**

Please contact your child's school directly to inquire about student fees. You have the option to remove one or more fees from the payment total. You can return to StudentQuickPay at another time if you determine the fee is applicable.

#### **How do I use Student QuickPay?**

1. Go to [www.jessieduncan.ca](http://www.jessieduncan.ca)
2. Click on the Online Payments.
3. At the Student QuickPay homepage, click on the **Sign Up** button if you do not have a login yet.
4. Enter your parent name, email and password.
5. Read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of the site, then click the **Next** button.
6. Add students to your account by entering their Student ID, Last Name, and Birth Date.
7. After adding all students, a summary page will be displayed that lists the outstanding fee totals for each student.
8. Review student fees and click the **Checkout** button when ready.
9. Pay for fees using a credit or debit card.

#### **I'm having technical issues with my parent account. Who do I contact?**

Please email [feesupport@cesd73.ca](mailto:feesupport@cesd73.ca) for technical support.





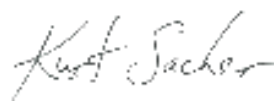
## Our safe and caring schools - A message from Superintendent Kurt Sacher

We truly appreciate having your children back in our schools enjoying a face to face environment. They give us tremendous energy and we do everything we can to return the favour by being as positive as possible with every interaction every day. We care deeply about our students and we work hard to ensure a safe and caring environment exists for everyone.

We have all made our way through some challenging times over the past few years. As we move forward we are committed to doing our part to develop your child's well-being to the highest level. To help us with this commitment, please communicate with your child's teacher so our staff know how we can best assist you as a parent.

If issues do arise that you aren't able to resolve, please contact your child's principal and know that you are most helpful when you join them in looking for solutions. There is almost always a solution right at our fingertips and our staff want to support you in every way they can.

Relationships matter at every level in our school division. We look forward to working closely with you as parents to ensure that all of our students feel safe and cared for in our schools.



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### Social Emotional Wellbeing course



**On course** - Dr. Marcie Perdue, Associate Superintendent of Student Services, shared details of the division's locally developed [Social Emotional Wellbeing 15](#) (SEW) course with all school-based administrators as the year got underway. This is an Alberta Education approved, mandatory 50 hour three credit course for all Grade 10 students in Chinook's Edge - the first of its kind in Alberta! It continues a multi-layered approach to protecting and enhancing the mental health of students and staff throughout the division.

### Indigenous Learning in Chinook's Edge



**Indigenous Leads Day** - Schools in Chinook's Edge have a representative to support the division's Indigenous Education priority, and that group met to begin the year together (above). Staff continue to build knowledge to meaningfully embed Indigenous learning into their lessons, to gain a greater understanding of the history, culture and contributions of Indigenous Canadians.

**Please note:** schools and offices will be closed on September 30th to observe the [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#).