

April 10, 2026

Dear École Joe Clark Families,

Our **Student-Led Assemblies** continue to grow into something truly special each month. These assemblies provide an opportunity for classes to proudly showcase their learning while demonstrating leadership, confidence, and collaboration within our school community.

Families are always welcome to join us as we celebrate our students' successes together—your presence makes these moments even more meaningful!


This month, 2/3 Cuff and 1 Welsh's class led an amazing assembly focused on "*Five Things You Can Control Every Day*." Through student voice and reflection, they shared an important message about the power of our actions, effort, words, manner, and attitude, reminding us that these choices shape both our learning and our relationships each day.

We are incredibly proud of our students for their leadership and meaningful learning, and we look forward to many more inspiring assemblies ahead!

This month, our school community is coming together for our One School, One Book initiative! All students and families are invited to read along as we share a common story, sparking conversations, curiosity, and a love of reading at home and at school.

To help families participate and enjoy the story together, we've created a read-aloud playlist that you can follow along with at your own pace. Whether you listen together as a family or tune in during quiet moments, it's a wonderful way to connect through literacy.

 **Access the playlist here:**

 <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?reload=9&list=PLm1175J9c8EIBDcp09tRcZVg7pRWi-i-ul>

We encourage families to talk about the story, wonder together, and celebrate reading as a shared experience. Thank you for supporting literacy and helping make this a meaningful experience for all learners!

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École Joe Clark School Admin team

Upcoming Dates:

- Tuesday, April 14- Mme. Polege's Class- Student Led Conferences (3:45-6:30pm)

- Thursday, April 16- Student Led Conferences, Family Dance and Cake Walk (see info below!)
- Friday, April 17- No School, Professional Learning Day for Teachers
- Monday, April 20- Last Day for Bacon Fundraiser Orders to be placed
- Thursday, April 23- School Council and Fundraising Meeting (Learning Commons at 6:00 pm)

June End-of-Year Activities- Save the Dates!

June is packed with exciting events as we celebrate a wonderful year of learning! Please mark your calendars for the following important dates:

- **June 4** – *Bronco Bolt*
- **June 12** – *10-Day Countdown Begins*
- **June 19** – *Grade 5 Graduation*
- **June 19** – *Splash Park Trip – K-3 Students*
- **June 22** – *Splash Park Trip – Grade 4-5 Students*
- **June 23** – *Sports Day*
- **June 25** – *Last Day of School & Farewell Assembly*

We look forward to celebrating these special moments with our students and families as we wrap up the school year together!

Student-Led Conferences, Cake Walk and Spring Dance! - Save the Date

We are pleased to invite École Joe Clark families to our **Student-Led Conferences** on **Thursday, April 16, from 3:45–7:00 p.m.** This event provides students with an opportunity to demonstrate and reflect on their learning. Students will have a plan for your arrival and will guide you through learning activities they have been working on this term.

There is **no need to book an appointment**—families are welcome to drop in at any time during the evening that works best for them.

Please note that this is **not a traditional Parent-Teacher Conference**. Teachers will not be meeting individually with families, but will instead be facilitating learning experiences in their classrooms and will be available to answer general questions about student learning. If you wish to discuss more specific or sensitive information about your child, we

encourage you to contact your child's teacher to arrange a separate meeting. If you are unable to attend on April 16, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher to arrange an alternate time.

School Council Cake Walk & Family Dance

In addition to the Student-Led Conferences, our **School Council** is excited to host a **Family Dance and Cake Walk** on the same evening!

- **Family Dance:** 5:00–7:00 p.m.
- **Concession:** Snacks and treats will be available so families can make an evening of it.

Cake Walk tickets can be purchased throughout the evening and will enter you into raffles for cakes and treats. **All proceeds** will support classroom enhancements, new gym equipment, and technology.

We are also looking for **families willing to donate cakes** for the Cake Walk. If you are able to help, please email hbland601@gmail.com. Additional details regarding drop-off times will be shared soon.

Parental Supervision at the Family Dance

We ask that children attend this event **with their families**. As teachers will be engaged in learning conferences, parents and caregivers are responsible for supervising their children during the dance. ***Students who arrive without a parent or guardian will not be permitted to attend the dance.*** We look forward to welcoming families for a wonderful evening celebrating student learning and community.

Mother's Day Maker's Market is returning to EJCS!!

As a fundraiser for our school, students are invited to participate in an exciting opportunity to learn about financial literacy while collaborating to generate funds for school-based projects.

Students/Families will think about hand-made items that will be made at home and brought to school for others to purchase. Students might like to work with a friend to create items. In past markets, students have created: beaded bracelets, popcorn balls, Jello cups, rock art, rainbow loop art and plant pots. On May 8, students with items to sell will set-up tables in the gym. Students wishing to purchase items will buy tickets before shopping. After lunch, students will be invited to the gym to buy items. All monies from sales will be used to support learning at Joe Clark School!

Questions/concerns/comments: PLEASE contact Ms Mahan mahanc@fsd38.ab.ca or 403 652 2020

School Council Bacon Fundraiser

Our **School Council Bacon Fundraiser** is back! This is a delicious and easy way to support school programs while stocking your freezer with quality bacon the whole family will enjoy.

All orders can be placed **online until Monday April 20** , making it quick and convenient to participate.

Order here:

<https://www.foothillsschooldivision.ca/joeclark/ejcs-bacon-fundraiser-order-online-today.26992>

Thank you for supporting our School Council and helping make a difference for our students—every order counts!