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Dance Program: “Dancing P13Y” will be running a school wide dance program for two weeks beginning next week, **Monday, March 2 to 11**. We are looking forward to it. The fee for this activity is \$10 and has already been paid by the majority of families. It was included on School Cash Online at the beginning of the year as an "Extra Activity Fee".

For those who have not yet paid this fee, could you please do so next week. Any families requiring financial assistance may request that the fee be waived through Mme Eve at: esgagnon@vsb.bc.ca. Thank you.

Will your child be returning to Jules Quesnel in September 2020?: Please continue to let the school know if your child will **NOT** be returning to Jules Quesnel next September. Thank you to all families who have already provided information. No action necessary if your child is returning.

Early Dismissal and Student-Led Conferences: There will be an early dismissal for student-led conferences on **Wednesday, March 11th and Thursday, March 12th at 2 pm**. As in the past, an online system will be set-up to book a conference and parents will be notified of the link once it is ready to go live. In most classes, students will be attending these conferences. If this is not the case, the classroom teacher will advise you.

Vancouver Choral Festival

The Senior Choirs (Senior and Chamber) will be performing in the **Vancouver Choral Festival at John Oliver High School, 530 East 41st, on Wednesday, March 11th.**

Please arrive at John Oliver School around **6:15 pm**. (Please meet us in the school cafeteria). The performance will start at 7 p.m. approximately. Please note that the event runs until approximately **9 p.m.**

Girls should wear black pants/skirt and shoes with a white long sleeved top. Red vests will be handed out before the performance. Boys should wear black bottoms and black shirts/t-shirts.

Parents are welcome to attend and admission will be by donation at the door.

There may be some parking available in the school parking lot and there is lots of parking available on side streets.

*** We will need a few parent volunteers to help out with the kids getting organized when everyone starts gathering at the venue. You can just stay around at drop off. Thank you. ****

Let me know if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Veronika Florianova
Choir Coordinator

Gardening Update: This year our students have planted perennials for native pollinators in the public gardens around the school.

We would like to keep the gardens alive to help pollinators over the summer.

If your family would like to give **one hour** this summer to help water the student's gardens (all hoses supplied), please sign up below.

If you don't yet know your schedule you can add your name to the list.

Thank you for helping us help pollinators and for keeping our gardens alive to welcome students and staff back in September.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16FcCrwnm7WlW16jNMfiP0BZUWqeZaGbsw3R3F92owal/edit?usp=sharing>

If you have any questions, you can email melissahaynes2012@gmail.com

Spring Break Dates: Monday, March 16 to Friday, March 27, 2020.

Yearbook Volunteer: The school is looking for an additional parent volunteer to help with next year's JQ Yearbook.

The role will need some basic tech skills for layout & design and/or time to help take photos of a variety of activities and day to day life at JQ to use in the yearbook. The volunteer may also need to liaise with grade 6 or 7 students interested in helping. If anyone is interested, please email Catherine Mellon at cmellon@telus.net.

Lunchtime Glee Club: The last session for those students who signed-up will be **Wednesday, March 4th** at 12:00 pm. This will include a short performance to which parents are invited. Since space is tight, one parent per family is preferred.

JQ Movie Night – Friday, February 28:

- 1) This is a community event. You are welcome to bring younger siblings not yet attending our school, however, one parent or guardian will need to be present for their supervision at all times.
- 2) Movies will be: Frozen 2 and Mary Poppins.
- 3) The event will be held from 6-8 pm.
- 4) Students in grades K-3 must be accompanied by a supervising adult.
- 5) Movies will be projected in the music room and room 108, NOT room 101 as indicated on the poster below.
- 6) We ask that all unaccompanied students in grades 4-7 be picked up promptly at 8:00 pm.

Blackcomb Skiing for JQ Families: Please find below a message from Petra Ross, a JQ parent, who has kindly organized a discount group rate for the JQ community for lift tickets and lessons in February and March 2020. Please note that this is not a school sanctioned activity and all questions should be addressed to Petra Ross (petra.ross@outlook.com), not Blackcomb or the school.

We are heading back to Blackcomb for another great ski/snowboard season! Here are the details:

Blackcomb lessons for ages 8 and older: March 8 & 14, 2020

Pricing

Lesson only- \$53.00

Lesson + Lift- \$65.00

Lesson + Lift + Rental- \$87.00

Other

Lunch Voucher- \$18.00 (\$21.00 value)

Adult Lift- \$91.00

Adult Rentals- \$38.00

Sightsee and Lunch Voucher- \$41.00

**Price includes GST*

All applicable taxes are included.

Please email Petra with your desired dates and number of kids and she will respond with the relevant info.

Summer School Gifted/Challenge Program - July 6 – July 24, 2020

This summer the Vancouver Board of Education will again be offering the Gifted/Challenge Summer Program at Van Horne Elementary School (5855 Ontario Street). Families will be able to apply to participate in both morning and afternoon sessions each with courses approximately 3 hours in duration. Classes are available for students who have completed Kindergarten through Grade 7. Please note that priority will be given to current VSB students.

Courses based on BC curriculum are free for all students currently enrolled in BC schools. Students are limited to one free course but are able to register for an additional fee-based class to enjoy more of the program and to remain at Van Horne Elementary School for a full day.

The courses are designed not only for students who have been designated as gifted but also for those who have strengths in particular subject areas such as Math, Science, Writing or the Arts. This also includes students who, for example, may have difficulty with written output but excel in hands-on or creative activities such as aviation experiments, LEGO robotics, computer programming, movie production, or art. Because of this, the program offers a wide variety of subject areas and styles of courses to meet these varying needs.

Application Forms

The on-line application process will open on Monday, March 2, 2020 with priority given to current VSB students. All applicants will be asked to upload a copy of their most recent report card in PDF format.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application when it has been processed. Successful applicants will be provided with a date/time to register for their preferred course(s).

For further information and the link to the registration form please visit the Gifted/Challenge Program website at www.vsb.bc.ca/glsp. If you have any questions or concerns I can be contacted by email at gifted@vsb.bc.ca.