



# Jacob Beam Public School

NOVEMBER 2020



## From the desk of Mrs. Baggs

November brings us Progress Reports. They will go home on **Nov 19th**. This is a first look at how well students in Kindergarten to Grade 8 are progressing toward the end of year goals. Teachers will be emailing information about times for parents to meet, virtually, to discuss how their students are doing this year at school. We are here to work with you to support our students.



We are looking for ways to celebrate Remembrance Day and making it meaningful for our students. I believe it is important that we continue to teach children about the importance of the rights we have in our country. With rights come the responsibility to honour others and the respect of those who choose to uphold our peace. We will be providing poppies at school. Donations can be only be made online at [School Cash Online](#). We will send all donations to the local Legion. We will also have a wreath placed at the monument out front.



### Wednesday November 18th

This is a Professional Development Day for Staff.

There is no school for students on this day.

### School News

At this time we will not be having school photos. We are hoping to develop a plan in the new year to continue this tradition. The decision is based on keeping our students and staff safe during this time. Please direct any questions to Mrs. Baggs.

School Spirit Wear is on sale through our School Cash Online system. Unfortunately we can not do a sizing day. Clothing is standard sizing Youth Small is close to a 6x/7 up to a Youth XL at 12/14 size. Adult sizes are uni-sex, standard small—extra large. Check School Cash Online by Nov 6th.

## School Council

### Drop off and Pick Up Safety

A reminder that William St is a **"NO STOPPING ZONE"** to ensure our drivers and children are safe. Please use the parking lot kiss and ride to drop off. Also Crescent Ave has a gate that leads directly to our school yard. This can be a drop zone and pick up zone as we do have staff on duty.

Please remember not to congregate at our William St gate as we are trying to maintain distance and masking for safety of all.

Jacob Beam has an active and dedicated School Council. All parents are welcome to attend School Council meetings from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. on MS Teams. Our next meeting is Tuesday January 21. **Our School Council executive this year is as follows:**  
**Chair: Rachael LeBlanc Vice-Chair: Amanda Rundberg Secretary: Craig Weir.** There are also three committees - Green, Healthy School & Fundraising. This year we have a variety of fundraising activities. This is to try and meet the needs of various families and allowing them to participate in school fundraising. Please feel free to participate in the ones that work for your family. We are raising money to support our classrooms with extra materials to help with learning this year. Thank you in advance for supporting our initiatives for the students.



### Inclement Weather

There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures. At times when student transportation has been cancelled and schools remain open, the decision of whether or not to have children in school on that day rests with the parent or guardian. **Should you decide not to send your child to school in the event that transportation is cancelled but schools remain open, or if your child is ill or late, please ensure that you enter this in Safe Arrivals attendance system.** A key resource in any emergency is the DSBN Emergency Information form that you filled out at the beginning of the school year. Please let the school know of any changes in contact information or procedures you wish to be followed throughout the school year. Information on school closures is available on the DSBN website: [www.dsbm.org](http://www.dsbm.org), the transportation website: [www.nsts.ca](http://www.nsts.ca), and from all local radio stations.

### Remembrance Day

Jacob Beam's Remembrance Day Assembly will be held on November 11th as a virtual presentation in our classes. Each year we recognize and honour the people past and present, who have served and sacrificed for our country.

A slideshow of images, which include Jacob Beam family members involved in serving our country together with images of why we remember and work towards peace, will be shown. If you would like to contribute images to the slide show please scan them, if possible, and send them via email to [Christine.baggs@dsbn.org](mailto:Christine.baggs@dsbn.org).

