



Jacob Beam Public School



SEPTEMBER 2019

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Messages from the office
- Timetable
- Book Fair—
Sept 24-26

DATES TO REMEMBER

Early Release 13

Terry Fox Walk AM 13

Open House & BBQ 24

Book Fair 24-26

School Council 6:30pm Oct 1

From the desk of Mrs. Baggs

On behalf the Jacob Beam staff, I would like to welcome everyone back to school. We hope you have all had a safe and fun summer. We are looking forward to a great year. A special welcome to our new students and parents. Communication is the key. My office door is always open.

We have a few staff changes this year. We welcome Mrs. Nagy as a homeroom teacher; Mme. Roe will be our French teacher, and Mrs. Peters is returning full time as a kindergarten teacher. We have Ms. Thompson and Miss

Hughes joining our Educational Assistant team for the year. Mrs. Herscis will be leaving us to have her second child.

Thank you to Mrs. Bijakowski for all of her work in the office to get us ready for school.

We look forward to a great year at Jacob Beam. We look forward to working with all of our students to help them achieve their best. This year we are going to focus on "Work Hard Be Kind!" as our motto.

Mrs. Christine Baggs,
Principal

Photo Day

This year, Edge Imaging will be in the school to take individual and class photos on **September 26**.

Re-take day will be **November 6th**. Smile!



Early Release Day is Friday, Sept. 13th

Students will be released at noon.

There will be no afternoon classes.

Meet the Jacob Beam Staff

Tuesday, September 24th

4 - 6:30 p.m.

Cash BBQ dinner will be available—information and order form will come home soon!

Can't wait to see you!

**Please be sure to return all verification forms to our school office by September 6th.
It is imperative that we have up to date contact information for you.**

Dropping Off & Picking Up Students

Please remember that there is now only **one entry and exit to and from the school**. Directional signs and parking spaces for cars have been painted on the tarmac. Please note that the only safe way for parents to drop off their children in the morning is to enter/exit our school property and follow the roundabout. Cars must complete a full circle, drop off students, and continue out the same way. Picking up students at the end of the day is more challenging as there are very few parking spots available. Please do not park in our neighbours' driveways.

Before school and after 2:00 p.m., the bus drop-off/pick-up area is for buses only. There is no scheduled bus drop off or pick-up during the two breaks, but there is one at 2:30 p.m. Parking in the bus area is prohibited at all times. This will be strictly enforced by the Town of Lincoln. There is visitor parking at the front of the school and on the side facing King Street.

Please be patient and follow all directions from school staff. The crosswalk on William Street is located at the intersection of William and Albert Streets.

A FEW REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Visiting the School

We ask that all parents check in at the office if dropping off children or items during the school day. This ensures that learning is not interrupted during the day. Mrs. Bijakowski will make sure items get to students at appropriate break times.

Bussing for Students

Student transportation information is available through a secure portal on the NSTS website. To access your child's information, please visit www.nsts.ca and sign in to the parent portal using your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN). The OEN is located on your child's report card. This will give you all the information you require regarding your child's busing. Please make sure you sign up to receive updates from transportation by completing your email address in the box provided on the site.

Reporting Absences

With **Safe Arrival**, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the **SchoolMessenger app** from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. The first time you use the app, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. The first time you select **Sign Up** to create your account. Then after you will select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
3. Call the toll-free number 1-866-606-5567 to report an absence using the automated phone system.
Thank you for helping us ensure your children are safe when they have not arrived at school.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

YMCA Day Care

The YMCA day care is located in Room 9 which is at the back of the school. Specific information for drop off and pick up will be sent home by the YMCA day care. The phone number is 905-563-3918. Parents picking up children at the end of the school day must be buzzed in

School Council

Jacob Beam has a very active School Council with dedicated parents committed to the success of every student in our school. Please join our **School Council**... ALL parents are welcome and participation is encouraged. Our organizational meeting will be held on

Tuesday, October 1st at 6:30 p.m

Gr 8 students are available for childcare at school



Jacob Beam Timetable

Kindergarten through Grade 8

Supervision on the yard begins at 8:20 a.m.

Entry	8:35 a.m.
1st period	8:35-9:25 a.m.
2nd period	9:25-10:15 a.m.
Nutrition break	10:15-10:35 a.m.
Fitness break	10:35-10:55 a.m.
3rd period	10:55-11:45 a.m.
4th period	11:45-12:35 p.m.
Nutrition break	12:35-12:55 p.m.
Fitness break	12:55-1:15 p.m.
5th period	1:15-2:05 p.m.
6th period	2:05-2:55 p.m.
Dismissal time	2:55 p.m.



Safe Schools Plan: Students may leave school property during the second nutrition/fitness break and only with parental permission. Students must return no sooner than 1:00 pm. Please note that there is limited supervision after school on the playground. Staff members are present for 10 minutes after school to ensure that all students have safely left our school property. All students not accompanied by a parent, must leave school property immediately at 2:55 p.m. unless they are staying for a school-sponsored event or day care.

School Cash Online

It's not too late!! We are up to 95% of our families registered online.

Please take a moment to register your child/ren. www.jacobbeam.dsbn.org Click the School Cash link on the right hand side and follow the 3 easy registration steps. You can use School Cash Online with confidence; it is a safe and secure portal. If you require assistance or have questions, please contact the Office. We would like to use this method to ensure you receive notes. Thanks for your support.

Life-Threatening Allergies/Anaphylaxis

At **Jacob Beam**, we have students who have severe and life-threatening allergies to a variety of things, particularly peanuts/nuts, perfume/scents, and bee stings. We need your help in creating the safest possible learning environment for all students. Please do not send in any food items containing peanuts or nuts. Please consider celebrating special events with non-food items, e.g. special pencils instead of cupcakes. We encourage all children to wash their hands thoroughly after eating and several times during the day. Please try to avoid wearing perfume/cologne if you are staying in the school for any length of time.

It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to inform the Principal, that their child is at risk of **anaphylaxis** and to outline the expected symptoms and requested intervention by school staff. When a request is received, the principal will prepare an **Plan of Care** for the student with the parents. If your child has an allergy that requires an epipen, e.g. to bee stings, nuts, etc., please bring the epipen (two are recommended) into the office with the appropriate medical form (available in the office) signed by a physician. **This form must be signed each year.** Board policy requires that an allergic reaction that results in the use of an epipen be followed by a call for an ambulance. **If you are new to our school and have not previously spoken with the Principal regarding your child's specific allergy and the school's procedures, please let the office know immediately.**

Jacob Beam Staff, Starting in Sept 2019

Kindergarten Teams:

Mrs. Haney, Mr. Gratton

Mr. Chuchman, Mrs. Phillips

Mrs. Peters

Homeroom Teachers:

Mrs. Schatz: Grade 1

Ms. Penley: Grade 2

Mrs. McDonough: Grade 2/3

Mrs. Huntington: Grade 3/4

Mrs. Nagy: Grade 4/5

Ms. Palmer: Grade 6

Mrs. Zulauf: Grade 7/8

Mr. Robinson: Grade 7/8

Rotary Teachers:

Library/Music: Mr. Woelk

Arts/Science/Phys Ed.: Mrs. Harley

French: Mme Roe

Learning Resource: Mrs. Howe

Special Ed Class: Mr. Hannahson

Instructional Coach: Mrs. Romany

Educational Assistants: Ms. Thompson, Mr. Balabanian, Ms.

Hughes (Mrs. Hersics in on mat leave at the end of September)

Secretary: Mrs. Bijakowski (Mrs. B)

Jacob Beam has a Facebook page. We post events, activities and school reminders here too! Please follow us Jacob Beam Public School. We are on Twitter too @jacobbeamps. We like to try to keep you in the loop!



Web Page



We have a calendar of school events and up to date information on our school website at

<http://jacobbeam.dsb.org/>

Receive timely reminders about life at Jacob Beam by text or by email! This is a one way communication tool of reminders only.

Text message: text@cbaggs to 289-271-0223

put your first and last name and your child(ren's) name(s) in brackets

Or Mobile App—download the app on your android or iphone.

Create a parent account with your email address.

Search for @cbaggs to join

The logo for the Remind app, featuring a white speech bubble icon with a dot inside, followed by the word "remind" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, all on a blue rectangular background.