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**Monthly Updates**  
**January 2026**

## **Happy New Year and Welcome Back!**

**HAPPYNEWYEAR!**

Happy New Year, John Allison students and families!

We were so excited to welcome our students back to school as we began a brand-new year together. January is such a wonderful time for fresh starts, new goals, and exciting learning.

As we enter 2026, let's all remember to be kind to one another, try new things, and never be afraid to ask questions. Every day at John Allison is a chance to learn something new and to make our school a happy, safe place for everyone.

Welcome back—we're so glad you're here, and we look forward to a fantastic rest of the school year together!

**\* PLAY \* JOY \* LEARN \***



Thank you DRAX Foundation for supporting JAE with **STEM** workshops from **Scientists in School**. Our Grade 2s learned that **"Properties Really Matter!"**



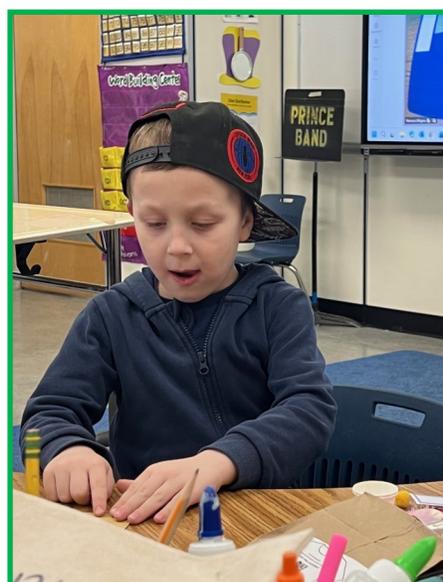


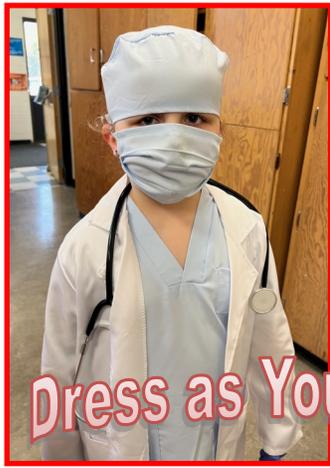
Grade 3 students explored owl pellets to discover animal bones to help determine "Hoo's in the Owl Pellet?"



Scientists in School is a science outreach program dedicated to sparking children's interest in science, technology, engineering, and math through hands-on discovery. Thank you DRAX for offering these scientists to us.

Grade 1 students received a bag full of science materials and explored "Structures, Materials and More."

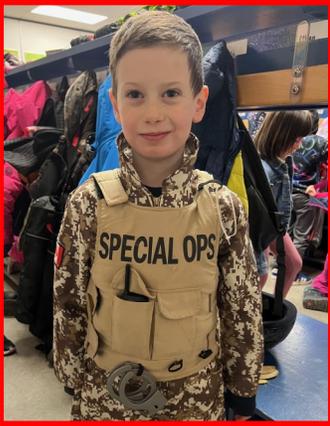




# Dress as Your Future Self



**A Bright Start to the Year**  
What a joyful and inspiring sight it was to welcome our students to school for **Dress as Your Future Self Day!** Our halls were filled with future chefs, doctors, nurses, teachers, construction workers, police & pop stars all proudly showing the dreams they hold for their futures.



# JAE SPROUTS GEAR

Order forms due February 11, 2026

- T-shirt Youth Sizes Sm – Xl \$15
- T-shirt Adult Sizes Sm – 3Xl \$25
- Hoodie Youth Sizes Sm – Xl \$40
- Hoodie Adult Sizes Sm – 3Xl \$50



## Lost and Found Reminder

We currently have a **large amount of clothing** in our school's Lost and Found area, including coats, sweaters, hats, mitts, and other items. Many of these pieces appear to be well-loved—and likely missed at home!

We encourage families to please **take a few minutes to check the Lost and Found** for any items that may belong to your child. Clothing is expensive, and we would love to see these items returned to their rightful owners.

Any items not claimed prior to Spring Break will be **donated or repurposed** to support students in need. Thank you for your help in keeping our school organized and ensuring these belongings make it back home!



## Kindness Month at JAE

At John Allison Elementary School, we believe that kindness is at the heart of learning and belonging. Throughout February, during **Kindness Month**, our school community will be focusing on what it means to be **caring, respectful, and inclusive**.

## UPCOMING DATES:

January 30	Interims sent home
February 10	JAE PAC meeting
February 12	Early Dismissal (noon)
	PTI date and time to be determined
February 13	NID / Professional Development
February 16	Family day / no school
February 25	School Spirit: Red / Pink Kindness assembly
March 2—13	Kindergarten registration
March 11	School Spirit: Western Day / assembly
March 13	Learning Updates sent home
March 16 – 27	Spring Break



## ☀️ We're Hiring Relief Noon Hour Supervisors! ☀️

Do you enjoy working with children and being part of a caring school community? **John Allison Elementary School** is looking for **Noon Hour Supervisors** to join our team.

### 👤 About the Role:

Noon Hour Supervisors play an important role in helping ensure our students are safe, happy, and supported during lunch and outdoor playtime.

### 📋 Responsibilities include:

- Supervising students indoors and outdoors during lunch
- Encouraging safe, respectful, and positive play
- Assisting students as needed
- Helping create a welcoming and inclusive school environment

### 🕒 Hours:

- Approximately **1 hour per day**, Monday to Friday
- During the school year (perfect for parents, grandparents, retirees, or anyone looking for part-time work)

### 💙 Why Work With Us?

- Make a meaningful difference in children's daily lives
- Be part of a friendly and supportive school community
- Work schedules that align with school hours
- No evening or weekend work

### ✅ Requirements:

- Enjoy working with young children
- Reliable and responsible
- Successful applicants will be required to complete a **Criminal Record Check**

### 📧 How to Apply:

- ✓ If you are interested or would like more information, please contact:

**Crystal Larsen**, Principal | 📧 [clarsen@365.sd58.bc.ca](mailto:clarsen@365.sd58.bc.ca) 📞 250-295-6727

We welcome applications from **community members, parents, grandparents, and anyone interested in supporting our students**. We look forward to hearing from you!

