



JOSEPH GILES
Elementary

FAMILY FORECAST

Safety. Kindness. Patience. Making Connections

Hello JGES Families,

This week we hit the month of May- this means we have little over 2 months of school. Planning is in full swing for the 24-25 school year behind the scenes. However, we are still focused on having a great finish to the school year.

Two safety messages we are giving weekly to students: **if you see something, say something**, and to avoid interacting with the public especially people with pets on the paths that border the school. Students are being reminded that if something seems dangerous to let an adult know. We also are reminded them not to talk to strangers with pets that use the public walkways that border the grounds. There have been no issues but it is a good preventative measure.

With the change of seasons, we are going to purge our lost and found at the end of the week. We'll do reminders for students to check out the lost and found. Please give a reminder from home too.

Our PTO is planning some exciting events for the end of the year bringing in a special guest into the school for the younger students, and a field trip for older students. There are also class trips planned for many of our classes. If you are interested in being a chaperone, you need a criminal record check, and child abuse registry check on file. If you're not sure, call or email the office for us to check. We appreciate your time to support these trips. THANKS PTO!

Have a great week,
Mr. Fry

April 29- May 2 Week

Important Dates:

May 20: Victoria Day- no school

May 27: SAC 6 pm, PTO 7 pm

June 20: PTO Family BBQ

June 27: Assessment day- no school

June 28: Last Day of School

Recreation-based, fee-for-service before and after school program run by HRCE

2024-25 EXCEL Registration

Registration for returning EXCEL participants begins April 29.
Registration for new EXCEL participants begins May 13.

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Reminders:

- Reminder that we now have a school counsellor. Parents can also self-refer by email at Meghan.MacPherson@hrce.ca
- Car safety during pick up/drop off. Please be safe even if you are in a hurry or the weather is poor. Please park on the road. Unless you have permission, do not pull up to front doors. **This includes excel pick up and drop offs.** Please ask any family members to follow the same rules.
- Water bottles are important to bring each day.



2024-25 EXCEL registration

The EXCEL program is a recreation-based, fee-for-service before and after school program run by the Halifax Regional Centre for Education, offering before and after school care for elementary-aged children. At each school site, the dedicated and qualified staffing teams plan weekly games and activities that suit the needs and interests of the registered students. These individual plans are framed around EXCEL's overall philosophy which is focused on physical activity and positive social interaction in a safe and fun environment.

Registration for returning children began April 29 and registration for new EXCEL participants will begin on May 13. [Click here](#) for more information.

April 29 - May 3 Week 2

Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday Friday 3
	Subway day		Pizza day	Lunch Lady day