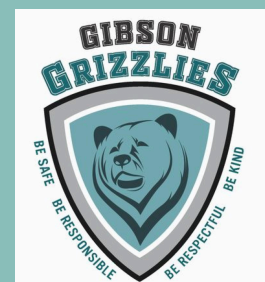


Gibson Elementary

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NEWSLETTER

March, 2019

Principal's Message



Happy March everyone! Hopefully that's the last of the snow for us. Although it has been a lot of fun to play in, snow has sometimes made our commute just a little more chaotic. Thank you to all for your patience and understanding during our school closure, and added traffic congestion due to the weather.

I want to take this time and thank our PAC for their continued support of our school and your children. The events that they put on: Zumba Family Night, Movie Nights, PAC Hot lunches, etc. take planning, organization and commitment for them to be successful. All of the proceeds go directly back to the school and to benefit your children, so we express our gratitude for their involvement. I also want to personally request help from our parents. Our PAC members also have day-jobs and PAC events simply cannot take place without extra sets of hands. There are a number of events coming up that will require volunteers. The expression "More hands make light work" is very true. The more parents we can have supporting the school, the less work it is for everybody. Below are some events coming up that we need help with:



BINGO Night on April 26th

- Community outreach
- Help with silent auction
- Set-up/take down
- Concession



MOVIE NIGHTS

- Concession
- Set-up/Take down
- Supervision of students



SPRING CARNIVAL

- Planning committee
- Silent auction worker
- 50/50 draw worker
- Game stations
- Cake Walk

CAN YOU HELP US OUT?

If YES, please email me
lpotter@deltasd.bc.ca

If you have any questions regarding any of these events, please email our PAC Chair, Julia at
[juliagibsonspac@gmail](mailto:juliagibsonspac@gmail.com)

HOT LUNCHES

-Order distribution



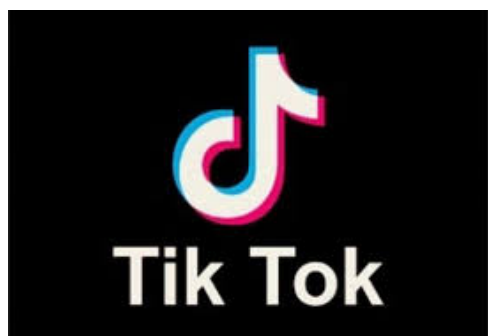


Kindergarten Registration:

Kindergarten registration for students in the Gibson catchment area is **still OPEN**. Students born in 2014 are eligible to attend Kindergarten beginning in 2019. Please download the registration form [here](#). For other important information such as documents required for registration and procedures, visit the Gibson school website [here](#).

Parents, if you know of families in our catchment with children born in 2014, please pass on this information!

IMPORTANT Information on the App called TIK TOK



Do you or your child use this app? If so, please read the following article for warnings.

<https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/life/news/predators-groom-children-as-young-as-eight-on-tiktok-app>

“ The social media app TikTok allows users to create and share short videos with camera effects and music. Yet it has now been branded as a “**magnet for paedophiles**” by concerned parents and campaigners.”

Please spend some time and familiarize yourself with popular apps that may seem innocent on your child’s devices.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Term 2 Parent-Teacher Conferences will be on Thursday, March 14th. It will be an early dismissal day at 2pm, so please mark your calendars.

Although we held Student-Led Conferences earlier last month, the upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences allow for teachers or parents to discuss any remaining/new concerns they may have regarding your child’s progress at school so far.

This appointment is by request only from teachers/parents, and NOT booked on Parent Connect. If you have a concern and would like to schedule a conference time on March 12, please contact your child’s teacher directly.



Parent-Teacher Interviews

Delview Raider Connect Soccer Intramural



Senior leadership students from Delview are giving back to the Gibson community! They are running noon hour soccer for grades 2-7 every Monday! If your child has signed up to play noon-hour soccer, be sure to ask them what Superhero Team they belong to! Thanks, Delview Raiders!

INFORMATION BULLETIN

COMMUNICATING CONCERNS



Delta School District is committed to the establishment of productive partnerships between parents and school staff members in support of student learning. School and system administrators are expected to work effectively with parents to respond to expressed concerns and to deal with complaints in a fair, just and timely manner. (AP 151)

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I HAVE AN ISSUE OR CONCERN WITH SOME ASPECT OF MY CHILD'S SCHOOL EXPERIENCE?

Parents and guardians are urged to contact their school if they have questions about an activity or issue.

It is usually best to begin with the classroom or subject teacher. If a matter remains unresolved, you may wish to contact the principal to request assistance in dealing with the matter.

TIPS FOR RESOLVING ISSUES & CONCERNS

- » Arrange an appointment so that your concerns can be heard without distraction.
- » Organize your thoughts before the meeting.
- » Keep focused on the issue you've identified.
- » Treat others with dignity and respect, and expect that in return.
- » Thoughtfully consider and try to understand both sides of the issue.
- » Give each of the steps a chance to correct the problem before you proceed to the next step.

TIPS FOR BUILDING AN UNDERSTANDING & POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR SCHOOL

Be involved

- » **understand** the roles and responsibilities of the partners in education
- » **participate** in the school's PAC
- » **attend** school events and activities
- » **offer** to help
- » **support** your child's learning at home
- » **be informed** of your child's progress in school

Communicate

- » **find opportunities** to get to know the people who work with your children
- » **inform yourself** about your child's classes and school activities
- » **keep the school informed** about issues that affect your child

REMEMBER: Social Media is not an effective tool for solving concerns or challenges with others.
Delta School District encourages open and respectful dialogue.
If you have a concern or question, please contact your school directly.

LEARN MORE ON THE DELTA SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITE

WWW.DELTASD.BC.CA/BOARD/POLICIES-PROCEDURES

- » SEARCH FOR PROCEDURE 151

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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| March 1 | PAC Movie Night |
| March 4 | Gibson Science Fair |
| March 5 | Gr.6 Boys Basketball Game at Hellings Gr.7 Boys Basketball Game at Gibson |
| March 6 | Gr.7 Basketball Tournament at Delview |
| March 7 | Delta District Science Fair at Scotsdale Mall Gr.7 Boys Basketball Game at Hellings |
| March 8 | Spirit Day - Theme TBA |
| March 12 | Term 2 Report Cards Hoop Shoot 3:45pm - 5:45pm at Seaquam PAC Meeting 6:15pm |
| March 14 | Parent Teacher Conference 2pm dismissal |
| March 15 | PAC Hot Lunch |
| March 18-29 | Spring Break |
| April 1 | First Day Back |