

# Gibson Elementary

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## NEWSLETTER

February 2022

### Principal's Message



**H**appy February, and a very special Happy Lunar New Year to our community celebrating here and around the world. It is the Year of the Tiger! May our year be filled with an abundance of prosperity and good health! Thank you again to families who continue to support and work with the school to ensure that students, staff and families are safe. The BCCDC has once again updated the Daily Health Check and guidelines on what to do when we are sick. Please check the [website](#) for up-to-date information. In other news, I'm very happy to share that Gibson Elementary will be taking part in the Active School Travel Pilot

Program. 12 schools throughout British Columbia has been selected to receive \$10,000 to implement projects that support and encourage future initiatives such as walking and cycling to school! For more information, check out this exciting news [here](#).

### Kindergarten Registration:



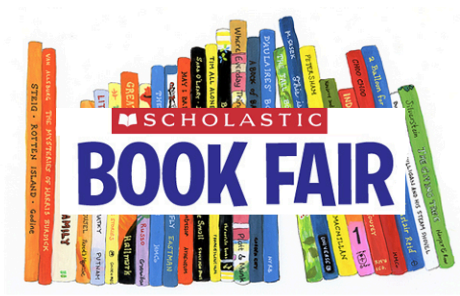
If your child is turning 5 in 2022, Kindergarten registration begins February 14th-20th ON-LINE. For more information, please go to: <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/schools/student-registration/kindergarten/>  
***Parents, if you know of families in our catchment with children born in 2017, please pass on this information!***

### Student Led Conferences:



Once again, we will be not be holding Student Led Conferences in person due to Covid-19. On February 9th, students will be coming home with a Student-Led Conference Agenda with accompanying work to share with parents/guardians! This is a chance for your child to show you what they know and what their goals might be moving forward! There will also be a sheet for parents/guardians to sign and make comments, and students will be asked to bring it back to their teachers. February 9th will still be an early dismissal day at 2pm, so don't forget to arrange for after early school pick-up if necessary.

## Scholastics Book Fair:



Scholastic Book Fair starts next week! Virtual Fair starts at 6am Feb 7 and ends at 8:30pm Feb 11. Share the following link with family and friends! Before Feb 7, watch book trailers and read about featured books with your child at the same link: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5160090>

Division 1-13 will have the opportunity to buy books and school tools for themselves during their library block and one other day next week. Kindergarten and Gr 1 students will be selecting a \$5 book for free. Studies have shown that when a child chooses their own books, they are more keen to become readers.

Thanks to PAC for their donation of \$5 towards each child's purchase of a book at the in-school Book Fair!

## On Going Parking Struggles at Gibson and Beyond



We know that the parking situation at our school is challenging. We recognize that spaces are very limited, and when the weather is awful, traffic is even worse than usual. We want our school to be safe for our children, but also accessible for our families. At the same time, we are limited in our ability to provide spaces for parking, as the staff and handicapped parking lot must maintain it's primary purpose, and the round-a-bout driveway must be for emergency vehicles and temporary parking for registered day care vehicles. In the same token, we need to respect our neighbours who are equally as frustrated at the level of congestion and unsafe driving. Here are some Dos and Don'ts:

### **Do:**

- **Walk/ Bike to school**
- **Park on available spaces on the road**
- **Use the Crosswalk to cross the road**
- **Observe the speed limit of 30km/hr**

### **Don't:**

- **Speed**
- **Block driveways**
- **Park on the cross walk**
- **Double park**
- **Remove/move existing cones**
- **Park at Delview**
- **Make U-Turns on 90th Ave.**
- **Enter our Staff parking lot**
- **Enter our round-about driveway unless you are day care or emergency vehicles**

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, February 1	Lunar New Year
Monday, February 7-11	Scholastics Book Fair
Wednesday, February 9	Student Led Conferences 2pm Dismissal
Monday, February 14	Kindergarten Online Registration
Friday, February 18	Pro-D Day No School
Monday, February 21	Family Day No School
Tuesday, February 22	PAC Meeting 6:30
Wednesday, February 23	Pink Shirt Day
Thursday, March 3	Optional P/T Interviews 2pm Dismissal