

# SIR JAMES DOUGLAS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



November 15, 2016

For upcoming events go to the calendar on the school website: <https://sjd.sd61.bc.ca/calendar/>

## School drop-off and pick-up

Please **do not** use the school parking lot for student drop-off or pick-up. It is getting far too packed some days and concern for our students' safety has been brought to our attention. Thank you for your consideration.

## Ways Parents Can Support Reading and Writing at Home

Click on the title link above to an excellent list of tips from the Teachers' College of Reading and Writing.

## Rain! Rain! Rain!

We live in a rainforest and the rainy season is upon us! The children will be sent outside in anything short of a monsoon. **Please**, send them to school well dressed for the weather and with a change of clothes for those days when the mud puddles are just too tempting.

## Did you know.... Facts about necessity of reading with babies and toddlers

\*Books in the home for babies and preschoolers are 70% more effective at predicting school success than is the parents' educational level.

And is even more effective than literacy outreach programs.

\* Check out our 90 second video showing the project in action

<https://youtu.be/zbdIWkjgGPI>

Drop off gently used picture books for babies and toddlers in the wooden box beside the lost and found items.



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ROUTES TO SCHOOL

ASRT <https://bikehub.ca/>

- Next Committee meeting November 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Me Club Updates

Follow the link to read about the great stuff happening in the We Club, including recent pictures of the bikes we sent to Malawi as they were being unpacked there. <http://bit.ly/WeClubUpdateNov15>

## Remembrance Day Assembly

Thank you Ms. Gauvreau and the grade 5 assembly team for the beautiful Remembrance Day Assembly. A lot of work went into it. Follow the link below to view the slide show featuring the family members of SJD students who have served in Canada and abroad

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1oSs5Qawp5Wgy0KjD8sx565vduuAMIGIBGI\\_f7VW0spU/pub?start=false&loop=true&delayms=5000](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1oSs5Qawp5Wgy0KjD8sx565vduuAMIGIBGI_f7VW0spU/pub?start=false&loop=true&delayms=5000)

