

# Newsletter



March 2024 JV Clark School

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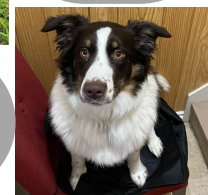
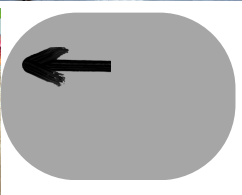
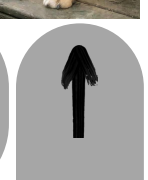
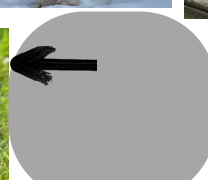
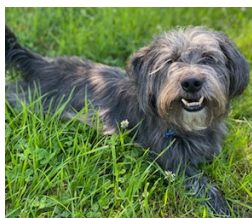
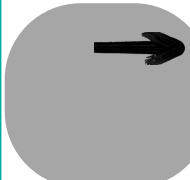
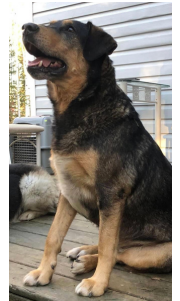
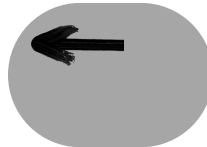
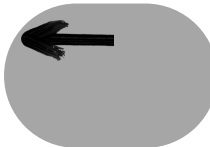
## BREAKING NEWS: JV Clark is going to the dogs!

We have great news to share with families! Effective April 1st, dog teams will replace bus service to the school. This past week, our student mushers have been training with a famous local Yukon Quest musher on all the "how to's" of running a dog team. Our woodshop teacher extraordinaire, Mr Stauffer, is hard at work with the high school woodshop students to construct 'extenda-sleds' which carry a dozen students at a time. These 'extenda-sleds' will have detachable skis to be replaced with rugged trail wheels for when the snow melts. Many of our staff have their own pooches (see photos below) and these dogs will be used as 'Dogs on Call' for when a member of the professional dog team calls in sick. Families are welcome to sign up their own prized pooches for the 'Dogs on Call' list - if they have four legs, they can pull the sled! We do ask that students bring a handful of dog kibble each morning to help with feeding the dogs. The musher dogs like beef in the winter, chicken in the summer, and moose in the spring and fall.

### Student Competition!

Who can match the dogs to their owners?

Winner to be drawn from all correct entries on April 5th.



## Looking Back to March

It seemed like a short month with a week of classes sandwiched around March break. Before the break, Joella Hogan, from the Yukon Soaps Company, conducted two workshops on making hand felted soap. It was a great experience for our JV Clark students.

Later that week, we had a visitor to the community, Scotty Swann, deliver a magic show with many students saying, "how did he do that?"

On our final day before the break, students chose a couple of workshops where they could try out a new activity. There was cross-country skiing, cookie baking, guitar lessons, optical illusion art, bridge building, and gym sports on offer. A great way to end the term!

On our return to school, all of our students participated in meditation and breathing exercises led by Scott from 'Sparkle and Wild'.



## Looking Ahead to April

April 1st - Easter Monday, no school.

April 1st - Arrival of the musher dogs.

April 3rd - All day GIS mapping workshop for Grade 6 and up

April 9th all week - Sport Wheelchair experience for all PE classes

April 15th all week - Carving experience for all students

April 18th - 1pm showing of the Wind River film - several of our JVC students are in the film!

April 23,24,25 - Grade 6/7 Badminton Smash tournament in Whitehorse

April 29 to May 1st - Traditional and Medicinal Plant sessions for all students

For those families who ordered seeds via the 'Make it Sow' campaign, the seeds are on their way and hopefully in time for some early indoor planting. This raised \$164 for our sports teams. As well, thanks to those who purchased Purdy's Easter chocolates which raised \$265 for our sports teams.



## School Council Elections are coming up!

This spring, our school community will decide who will help shape and direct local education for the next two years. We encourage parents and community members to consider this opportunity to contribute their ideas, insights, and perspectives in decisions that directly impact the school. Having broad representation from the community is important. Our school needs a variety of voices speaking and ears listening at the table - all sharing a common interest in student learning and education.

### Become a candidate:

Pick up a copy of the nomination package from the office or download it from [ElectionsYukon.ca](http://ElectionsYukon.ca). To submit your nomination, reach out to the returning officer for our school. The deadline for submitting your papers is noon on Thursday, April 25. Nomination forms should not be returned to the school office - we cannot accept them.

### Eligibility to be a candidate or vote:

To be a candidate, you must be a Canadian citizen, at least 18 years old, and either:

- Be the parent or guardian of a student attending the school or
- Have lived in the attendance area for at least three months.

### Questions:

If you have questions about the role of a school council member, reach out to our school council's chair or the School Council Liaison, Lori Choquette ([lori.choquette@yukon.ca](mailto:lori.choquette@yukon.ca)). You can also refer to the Serving on a School Council in Yukon resource guide developed by the Association of Yukon School Councils, Boards & Committees. For information about the nomination process, contact the returning officer for our school or Elections Yukon ([schools@electionsyukon.ca](mailto:schools@electionsyukon.ca) / (867) 667-8683).



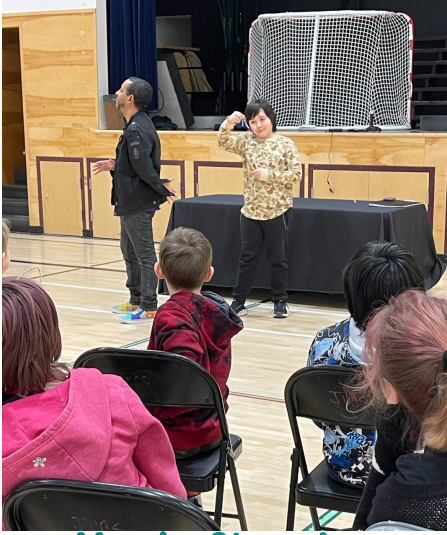
Happy Easter!

No school:

Friday, March 29th- Good Friday  
Monday, April 1st- Easter Monday



# JVC Activities:



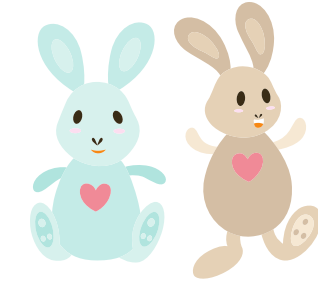
Magic Show!



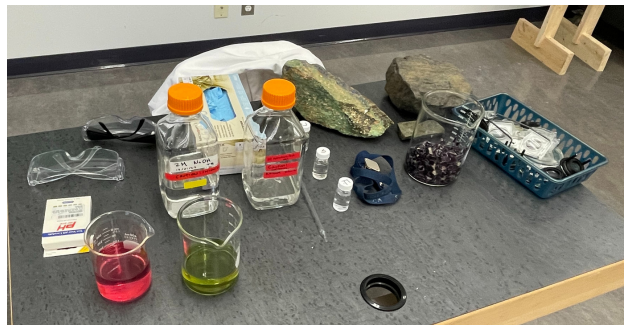
Dog Sledding!



Baking cookies!



Bridge Building!



Northern Mine Remediation Course!