



# Wednesday EXPRESS

## Tillicum Community School

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Our Website: <https://tillicum.sd61.bc.ca/>

### Mission Statement

Tillicum Community School staff, in partnership with the students, parents and members of the community, is committed to providing a safe, healthy learning environment.

### **IMPORTANT DATES\***

Feb 17	PAC MEETING TONIGHT IN LIBRARY 6:30 pm
Feb 19	PRO D - no school for students
Feb 22	Swim Meet at Commonwealth Pool for the Thundersharks 9 am-3 pm UVic Symphony for gr 2s 12:30-2:45 pm
Feb 23	Spectrum Basketball Jamboree 12:30-3:00 pm @ Spectrum School
Feb 24	Anti-bullying (Pink Shirt) Day Recognition Assembly 2 pm - gym
Mar 1	Last swim for Gr 3s
Mar 9	Recognition Assembly 2 pm - gym
Mar 11	Last Day of School
Mar 14-25	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR SPRING BREAK
Mar 28	Easter Monday - School Closed
Mar 29	First day back after Spring Break/ Easter

### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Tillicum is always a vibrant and active school and the month of February has been no exception. Our grade 3's will finish their swimming lesson next on March 1. Our grade 2 students will be attending the UVic symphony on February 22. Our grade 4/5's working hard at their basketball practices in preparation for the Spectrum family of schools jamboree on February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Numeracy and all literacy skills continue to be developed through a variety of classroom activities throughout the school as well. Learning is both fun and interactive. Student projects are shared and demonstrated with pride throughout the school. Your support at home is very much appreciated and makes a huge difference to your child's feeling of

success. Thank you for taking the time to support homework routines, special projects and home reading.

Students are working toward another afternoon recess and have already earned another 2700 hours toward their 5000 hour goal. Reading comprehension skills and the enjoyment of reading will serve all our students well in their lives. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's home reading program, please contact your child's teacher or stop by the office to discuss them with me.

Parent involvement in school is very important to student success. It continues to be my pleasure to work in a community of supportive families, enthusiastic students and dedicated staff.

**Lori Burley,**  
Principal

### **CROSSING GUARD URGENTLY NEEDED for**

**Tillicum/Maddock crosswalk.** We are looking for someone who can be available Monday through Friday for 1 hour each morning and 1 hour each afternoon to assist children crossing the road safely at this busy intersection. A full job description is available under "employment" at: <http://www.beaconcs.ca>

If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please contact Nicole Hietamaa, Crossing Guard Coordinator at Beacon Community Services. Telephone: (250) 652-6686 or Email: [nhietamaa@beaconcs.ca](mailto:nhietamaa@beaconcs.ca)

### **Looking ahead...**

**Student-led conferences** are coming up on Wednesday and Thursday, April 6 and 7<sup>th</sup>. (The week after spring break). There will be early dismissal at 11:45 am on both days. Lunch program is cancelled on April 6 and 7. All noon hour and after school programming will also be cancelled on those days.

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### Tillicum School is 100 years old!

We will be celebrating our centennial on June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30-8:00 pm. Tillicum School has been an integral part of this community from its beginning. We are pleased to have this opportunity to celebrate our history and to honour our neighbours and community partners in education.

Staff, students, PAC and alumni are working together to create a memorable event. We hope you will be able to attend. Plans include: an open house with students depicting education through the decades, a commemorative display, old-fashioned school yard games, food and entertainment, special performances by students past and present, and a birthday cake.

As an expression of appreciation alumni have established a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Legacy Fund that will be used to support our library. If you or someone you know is interested in donating to this legacy, you will be able to follow the links to do so on the Tillicum school website: <https://tillicum.sd61.bc.ca/>  
Corporate donors are welcome!



*If you think in terms of a year, plant a seed;*

*If you think in terms of ten years, plant trees;*

*If you think in terms of 100 years, teach the people.*

Come Walk, Explore, Eat, Play Games, Dance, Share and Experience Tillicum through the Decades with teachers, students and alumni.

Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 3:30 - 8:00 pm

For Information on events or how to help please call

**Tillicum School 250 386-1408**

**Everyone Welcome**

**Please call 250-386-1408 to report your child's absence!**

### SPORTS NEWS

The Thundersharks are winding up their season and will be representing Tillicum at the City Wide Swim

Meet on Monday, Feb 22, 9am - 3pm.

Athletes who qualify will be able to attend the City Championships later this month.

**GO Thundersharks! GO TEAM! Go Tillicum!**

**The Spectrum Family Basketball Jamboree** at Spectrum High School is on Tuesday, Feb 23 from 12:30-3:00pm. Our Grade 4/5 team has been practicing hard - Go Tillicum!

**PINK SHIRT DAY is February 24<sup>th</sup>.** We encourage all students to participate by wearing a pink shirt or sporting a pink ribbon or yarn. **Anti-Bullying Day** (Pink Shirt Day) is celebrated on various dates all around the world. The original event was organized by David Shepherd and Travis Price of Berwick, Nova Scotia, who, in 2007, bought and distributed 50 pink shirts after a male student was bullied for wearing a pink shirt on the first day of school.

### PAC NEWS

Please remember that anytime you take returnables to a local **Bottle Depot** you can donate the funds to Tillicum Community School Parent Association.

**Fairway Market Grocery Cards** are available in the office. Load the card with whatever dollar value you would like. Use it to buy your groceries and 5% of total purchases are donated by Fairway Market to Tillicum School. This is an easy way to contribute to field trips and curriculum enhancement opportunities for our children.

#### **A couple of things...**

\*Toast is available every Tuesday morning from 8:15 until 8:30. Supervision is provided.

\* **There will be NO SCHOOL for students on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> as it is a scheduled curriculum implementation day for staff and teachers.**



**A FRIENDLY**

**REMINDER!**

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