



# 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\***

Apr 4	Curriculum Implementation - no school for students
Apr 6&7	Student Led Conferences Early dismissal BOTH DAYS 11:45 am No after-school or lunch programs April 6 and 7.
Apr 6&7	Scholastic Book Fair - gym
Apr 13	Recognition Assembly - gym 2 pm
Apr 20	PAC meeting - library 6:30 pm

### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Welcome back! I hope you had a restful spring break and are returning to school recharged! It is hard to believe April will soon be upon us. Our fields are not yet open, but hopefully the weather will cooperate and we will open the Burnside field for student use very soon.

Daily physical activity is a focus at Tillicum and we have a significant amount of equipment and activity available for students throughout the day.

Particularly at this time of year, please help your child be prepared for all types of weather by reminding them to dress in layers and have closed toe, flat shoes at school at all times for active and safe participation in gym and outside. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Students and teachers are preparing for another very special event to take place in next week. On Wednesday and Thursday, April 6 and 7, we will be hosting our annual **Student Led Conferences**.

Remember that we will have **EARLY DISMISSAL** on both April 6 & 7 at **11:45 am**. There will be no lunch or after-school activity programs on those days. This is one of the most important events of our year and an opportunity for students to share the

outstanding work they have been doing. This is a very special event we celebrate the accomplishments of our students with pride. **\*Prior to spring break, forms were sent home so you could select a conference time that works for your family. Confirmation notices will be sent home on Friday, April 1.**

This term we are fortunate to continue our after school opportunities for Tillicum students. In addition to Justine's after school programs for grade 3/4/5's (registration forms available on the parent board beside the office), we are pleased to be able to continue to offer PISE activities. The spring session will begin next Tuesday, April 5.

Tillicum **ROCKS!** and we continue to focus on **Respect, Organization, Cooperation, Kindness and Safety** in class, on announcements and throughout the school. Expected behaviours in all areas of school have been defined on our Behaviour Matrix and have been taught in all classes. This matrix is available on our school website as well. Using **WITS** is also common practice at Tillicum. We work hard to ensure that Tillicum is a safe and nurturing place for us all. Every day at Tillicum we focus on kind and friendly behaviours, providing all students the opportunity to fix any mistakes and for everyone to demonstrate learning from each mistake. Thank you for all you do to reinforce these beliefs. It is definitely a pleasure to work with such a supportive community. Thank you to all.

**Lori Burley,**  
Principal

We are happy to announce that a crossing guard has been hired for the position at Tillicum/Maddock.



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**Tillicum School's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party**  
Friday June 3rd 3:30 - 8:00 pm  
*Come celebrate with us - everyone  
Welcome!*

## SPORTS NEWS



**RUGBY** - Our first practice will be Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> from 3-4 pm. There will be NO practice on Thursday, April 7 due to Student Led Conferences, but, after that, practices will resume April 12 and will be happening every Tuesday and Thursday from 3-4 pm.

**CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING** will be starting soon. Please stay tuned for practice schedules.



**TRACK** - Zone D finals will be held at UVic on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Grade 3-5 students are eligible to compete.

*Planning for the 2015/16 school year is underway. If your family is planning to leave Tillicum School next year, please contact the office so we can help facilitate your transition and create space for incoming students.*



**The Scholastic Groovy Book Fair** is coming to Tillicum! This radical reading event takes place in the gym on Wednesday, Apr 6 - 11:45 to 5:45 pm, and Thursday, Apr 7 - 11:45 to 2:45 pm and everyone is invited! Plus, if you bring the ballot from our coll flyer to the Groovy Book Fair, you'll have the chance to win FREE BOOKS! Don't miss out! Reading makes everything groovy! All proceeds from this stylin' fair will go to buying flashy new books for our cool library.

## PAC NEWS

The PAC is looking for a parent (or two) to take over as coordinator for Food for Fun for the 2016/17 school year. Food for Fun runs approx. 6 times a year. The kids love it and it earns a significant amount of money which all goes back to the school. If interested, you can contact Nicole at [tnyvall@telus.net](mailto:tnyvall@telus.net) for more information.

***Please remember our fundraising opportunity with the account at Bottle Depot!***

***Fairway Market grocery cards are available in the office. Tillicum receives 5% of all sales purchased through this program.***

## Reminders:

There will be no school for students on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup> as staff will be participating in a curriculum implementation day.

11:45 AM - DISMISSAL on April 6 and 7 for student led conferences. There will be no lunch program, PISE, or Burnside Gorge after-school programs on either day. Your appointment confirmation will be sent home on Friday, April 1.

