



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*

Sept 19 - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - District ProD Day
 Sept 21 - 6:30 pm PAC Meeting - Library - all welcome!
 Sept 27 - MEET THE TEACHER 4-5 pm in the classroom
 FAMILY PIZZA SUPPER 5-6 pm outside
 Sept 27 & 28 - Vision and Hearing Screening for KINDERGARTEN students.
 Sept 28 - 2:00 pm RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY (Grs 1-5)
 Sept 30 - 1:30-2:30 pm Terry Fox Run

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello and Welcome to Tillicum Families!

What an exciting year 2016/17 promises to be at Tillicum! We are happy to have many new families and students joining us. A warm welcome to all new staff! I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce our new Vice Principal; Susan Ottenbriet. Ms Ottenbriet joins us from Hillcrest Elementary and is teaching a K/1 split class. She will have office hours on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday mornings. An up-to-date staff list will be posted on the website and included in our next newsletter when all positions and classroom arrangements have been finalized.

There are many opportunities outside of class time at Tillicum in which students can become involved. Information and registration forms for the various extracurricular programs will be available within the next couple of weeks. **A package of very important school documents was sent home with students on Monday. Please take the time to read, update, sign and return these to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. The white student information verification form is extremely important as it is vital that we have current contact information for you and your child on file. Please take extra care to review the verification form as much of the information has been lost or rearranged in strange ways during the District's transition to a new database. Thank you for your patience and help with this!**

We are looking forward to another fantastic year of learning together here at Tillicum. Please remember that my office door is always open for you to stop by and discuss your child's learning.

Lori Burley

1000x5

Volunteers met last week and sent off 630 books to the Mustard Seed.

1000X5 is thrilled to begin our sixth year of a formal partnership with the Greater Victoria School District and to have donated 110,000 books to homes in need of support with early literacy. We need your books and thankfully every week a new shipment is there.

The grey donation bin is available by the office for you to drop off gently used pre-school level books.

AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCH PROGRAMS

Burnside/Gorge Programs will be starting the week of September 20th. Justine will be distributing registration forms to students this week. Sign up early as spaces go quickly!

PISE programs will start the first week of October.



Terry Fox
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Starting on Monday, September 27th please send in coins for the Terry Fox Foundation (to raise money for Cancer Research). We will be collecting:

- Monday, Sept. 26th – Nickels**
- Tuesday, Sept. 27th – Dimes**
- Wednesday, Sept. 28th – Quarters**
- Thursday, Sept. 29th – Loonies**
- Fridays, Sept. 30th – Toonies**

Our school-wide **Terry Fox Run** will be Friday, September 30th at 1:30.

PAC NEWS

FIRST MEETING FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 AT 6:30 PM IN THE LIBRARY. Everyone welcome!



CLEAN WATER in our school. Tillicum has been identified as a school requiring water filtration. While the District works on a whole school system installation, several clean water sources have been made available throughout the building. All other sources have signs posted indicating that the water should not be used for drinking. Students are aware of which fountains and sinks, in the school, have drinking water.

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