



# Wednesday EXPRESS

## Tillicum Community School

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Our Website: <http://www.sd61.bc.ca/school/tillicum/>

### 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

Jun 9	Food For Fun
Jun 23	<b>Beach Day - Gyro Park</b> 9:30am - 2:30 pm
Jun 26	<b>Fun Day Afternoon</b> Outdoor activities 1:00-2:15 pm
Jun 28	Grade 5 Assembly - gym 10:45
Jun 29	<b><i>Last Day of School for students</i></b>
Jun 30	Administration Day - no school for students

### Principal's Message

**Hello Tillicum Families,**

I am writing this message on Mrs. Burley's behalf as she will be on medical leave until the end of June. I know that you join me in wishing her good health and a speedy recovery.

We have had a very busy few weeks at Tillicum, filled with activities and events, including many classroom field trips, the fabulous Spring fair organized by our tremendous PAC team, and the Safety on Wheels morning put on by the Saanich police. We had a record number of bikes and scooters on our grounds that morning. Thank you to parents and students for being involved in this valuable program!

On May 29<sup>th</sup>, Tillicum athletes participated in our Zone D track meet. We are grateful to staff, volunteers, and students for their hard work and commitment, and for representing Tillicum brilliantly! Several of our runners moved on to the City Track Finals which took place on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations to you!

It looks like our spring weather has finally arrived and with it extra outside activities and longer days. Please remember that it is more important than ever to help your child stay focused on the learning taking place in

the classroom. Continuing with established routines, such as regular meal and bed times is especially helpful to students at this time of year.

We hope that you were able to join us this morning for our annual parent appreciation coffee. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parent volunteers, and particularly those who serve on our PAC.

The last month of our school year is underway and we encourage you to continue communicating with your child's teacher about current learning goals and what you can do to support continued growth through the summer.

Ms. S. Ottenbreit



### **1000 Books by Age Five (1000X5)**

Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria  
 We need books for summer!!

133,000 books in six years donated to new homes where they are needed. THANK YOU!!! But our supply is very low and many agencies are clamoring for summer books to send home.

Please do a spring clean of your bookshelves and help another child succeed by having a home library. Deposit your gently used books for babies to five year olds to the grey by the office.

### **Just a reminder...**

If your family is planning to move to a different school for September, please let us know. This helps us with planning, and we will be able to facilitate your transfer in a timely manner.

Thank you!  
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Be sure to check out our beautiful, colourful felt mural, "Gifts from the Sea", which is located in the main hallway of the school above the seaquarium. Thank you to visiting artist, Renee S., and Tillicum students for doing such an amazing job on this fabulous work of art that will brighten our hallway for years to come!

We need your help this summer! Our school has adopted 3 boulevard trees that need to be watered twice/week. We are hoping a few Tillicum families will be able to volunteer their time throughout the summer in order to maintain our watering schedule. Please speak to Ms. Mowat before the end of the school year or email her at: [cmowat@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:cmowat@sd61.bc.ca) if you are able to help out.

## PAC NEWS

President - Christine Surr ridge - [cmsurr ridge@shaw.ca](mailto:cmsurr ridge@shaw.ca)

Vice President - Nicole Nyvall - [nyvall@telus.net](mailto:nyvall@telus.net)

Treasurer - POSITION VACANT - please consider volunteering for this very important job!

Secretary - Andrew Dunn - [andrewdunn@shaw.ca](mailto:andrewdunn@shaw.ca)

Market and Food For Fun - Lisa Gelling - [lisagelling32@gmail.com](mailto:lisagelling32@gmail.com)

Elections were held at our last PAC meeting. The position of treasurer is still vacant. Please consider contributing to the PAC with a donation of time!

*Please remember our ongoing fundraising opportunities.*

- Fairway Market grocery cards are available in the office. Load your grocery card with whatever amount you want. When you use the card to purchase groceries, 5% of sales are donated to Tillicum PAC.
- You can also donate your returnables refunds to Tillicum PAC. After you sort your bottles/cans, let the staff at the Bottle Depot know that you would like to have the money added to the Tillicum PAC account.
- Check out the Tillicum School Clothing Store. <http://urstore.ca/schools/ca/british-columbia/victoria/tillicum-community-school> PAC receives 10% of all sales!



## Planning ahead

The last day of school for students is June 29<sup>th</sup>. The day ends at the regular time of 2:45 pm.

The 2017/18 school year begins on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> **from 9-11:30 am only**. Our regular schedule, 8:45 am to 2:45 pm resumes on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.

Kindergarten starts on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. For Thursday and Friday (Sept 7 & 8), kindergarten classes will run from 8:45-11:45 am. Kindergarten students will begin the regular school schedule of 8:45 am to 2:45 pm on Monday, September 11.

Students will need to bring their lunches from Sept 6-8. The school meal program begins on Monday, September 11.

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