



Wednesday EXPRESS

(on Friday for this week only)

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 27 Recognition Assembly - Odd Divs
2:10 pm in the gym
- Sept 28 - MEET THE TEACHER 4-5 pm in the
classroom
FAMILY PIZZA SUPPER 5-6 pm outside
- Sept 30 - 1:30-2:30 pm Terry Fox Run
- Oct 5 Picture Day
- Oct 6 Food For Fun
- Oct 6 Cops For Cancer - Tillicum Mall

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Tillicum Families,

Our first weeks have been very busy at Tillicum School! Students have settled into their classrooms for the year and are already enjoying many engaging and exciting learning activities. There are also many opportunities outside of class time for students to become involved in. Courtney, from Burnside Gorge Community Association, is at Tillicum over the noon hours to offer organized games for various age groups. The Burnside-Gorge after school programs have also started this week. Registration for PISE before and after-school programs were distributed yesterday and will start on September 25th. Get your forms in quickly as spaces fill fast!

Tillicum Cross Country running practices for grades 4 and 5 will be starting next week. Training will be held on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8:15 am SHARP on the Maddock Field. Thank you to Ms Mortlock, Ms Kushnir, and Mr Wilson for volunteering their time to coach this year.

Senior choir practices (grs 3,4,5) with Ms Awalt will begin next week. Registration & permission forms

for ChoirKids (grs 1,2) went home this week. We are waiting to hear confirmation on practice days. Thank you to Ms. Carlton for doing such a fantastic job for our new Div 5 students while we wait for permanent staffing. Once our staff roster is complete it will be posted on our website. It is definitely my privilege to work with such a tremendous team of educators, students and parents again this year.

I look forward to meeting you at our annual 'Meet the Teacher' and Pizza night, next Thursday, September 28th.

We are looking forward to another terrific year of learning together here at Tillicum.

Sue Ottenbreit,
Vice Principal



WE RISE by lifting others.
Robert Ingersoll

AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCH TIME PROGRAMS

Burnside/Gorge lunch time activities and after school programs have started this week. Next intake will be after the winter break.

Registration forms for PISE Before and After Programs are being distributed this week with start-up happening next week. Get your registrations in quickly as programs fill fast!

PAC NEWS

FOLLOWING PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS - THE NEXT PAC MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 6:30 PM IN THE LIBRARY. Everyone welcome! Child minding is available.

TILLICUM CHRISTMAS MARKET - Saturday, November 18 from 10am-3pm

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1000X5 needs your gently used baby and toddler books

Have you found the grey bin at the office door?



The 2017-2018 year has begun and alongside the children entering the building are the 15 retired teachers and principals who meet every Wednesday to sort **your donations of books for babies and preschoolers.** Every month we send 2500-3000 books into homes with few resources. **138,000 books in six years!** Please drop books for babies and preschoolers into the pink bin and we will send them on to other families.

FOR SAFETY SAKE - PLEASE DO NOT DROP YOUR CHILDREN OFF IN THE STAFF PARKING LOT. The main entrance off of the parking lot on Albina Street is for staff and adult visitors to the school only. We ask that you practice having students come and go through the Orillia entrance or any of the smaller entrances in the fence around the perimeter of the school.

We also ask that you respect our neighbours by **NOT parking in or blocking their driveways. In the event that this happens, homeowners are instructed to call the police.**

There is a designated bus drop-off zone along Orillia Street. This area must be kept clear for the school bus. You are reminded to observe the no parking signs in the bus zone for student safety. Please plan ahead, and give yourself enough time to park and walk a block or two if needed!



ROADWAY UPGRADES SCHEDULED FOR THIS FALL

The District of Saanich has reported to us that” as part of the 2017 Capital Works program, a transportation improvement project will be undertaken on Tillicum Road between the Trans-Canada Highway and Burnside Road.

New cycling and pedestrian facilities and traffic signals will be installed at Regina Avenue. And the road way will be repaired and re-surfaced.”

We are advised that the project is scheduled to start within the next couple of weeks.

If you have any questions you are asked to contact Ashley Foster at 250-475-5494 ext 3472 in the Transportation and Development Division at Saanich.

SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAM FORMS AVAILABLE AT THE LUNCH PROGRAM DESK ACROSS FROM BOYS WASHROOM.



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**
- Friday, Sept. 30th – Toonies**

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

FALL CROSS-COUNTRY Practices begin Wednesday, Sept 27 at 8:15 sharp on the Maddock Field, and will be held every Wednesday and Friday morning until the end of the season. Information and permission forms will be sent home with runners on September 27.

Meets will be held **at 3:45 pm** on : Monday, October 2 (Clover Point), Tuesday, October 10 (Lambrick Park) and Monday, October 16 (Clover Point).

City Finals will be held at Beacon Hill Park at 1 pm on Monday, October 23.

Participation in meets is dependent upon consistent attendance at practices.

Please report your child's lates or absences to the office. Call 250-386-1408.

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