

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*

Oct 18 Recognition Assembly in the gym @2:10 pm

Oct 19 Shake Out - drop, cover, hold @ 10:30 am

Oct 20 PROVINCIAL PRO D
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Oct 25 Halloween Safety talks - Saanich Police

Oct 31 Black and Orange Day - no costumes please!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Tillicum Families,

It's hard to believe we are already six weeks into the school year! Last week, we hosted parent/teacher interviews. These meetings are important in establishing strong partnerships and good communication to support our students in their success at school. Thank you to parents and staff for their time and efforts. If you were unable to attend parent teacher interviews, and haven't already done so, please make alternate arrangements to meet and discuss your child's educational program with the teacher. Classrooms continue to be active, meaningful learning environments, participation in nightly home reading is increasing and students are busy with extra activities both in and out of classes. We are pleased to have PISE after-school programs running again. Over the year, all students will have an opportunity to participate in these active sessions. There are noon hour and after school opportunities offered by our community school partner, Burnside Gorge Community Association as well. On Monday, Courtney distributed registration forms to interested students for the next intake. The new programs will start the week of October 23-27.

Many students are also participating in our choirs and will be enjoying opportunities to perform in the coming months. Thank you to Ms. Awalt and to Daniel from Choir Kids for their hard work and commitment. Constable Cownden will be at Tillicum next week, presenting Halloween safety talks for all students. Please review safe Halloween behaviors with your children as a follow up to these presentations. Tillicum's theme on Tuesday, October 31 is Black and Orange day. No costumes are to be worn to school, but all staff and students will be encouraged to show spirit by wearing black and orange. Thank you!

A reminder that Life Touch will be back to Tillicum on November 15th for photo retakes. If you are not satisfied with your child's photo, please return the original package of photos on November 15th and your child will have a picture retaken. If your child missed the opportunity to have a photo taken or to order a package, you may do so at this time.

Brent Kelly, Acting Principal



Thanks, everyone, for the best ever book sale! Tillicum school library now has 124 new books in the collection and \$400 cash to buy more!

Thank you to Madisen V and Ms Adele for their Halloween display in the case across from the office!

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

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PAC NEWS

- There will be no family Halloween dance this year as we did not have enough volunteer support to run the event. Please attend the next PAC meeting if you would like to volunteer for next year.
- TILLICUM CHRISTMAS MARKET Saturday, November 18 from 10am-3pm
- -Next PAC meeting November 8.
- -The Victoria Royals Fundraiser is still ongoing. We can sell tickets throughout the year right up to game day so ask anyone you know who likes hockey! We still have 20 tickets left for our game on October 29th. This is the day we actually run the 50/50 draw so please consider buying tickets for that game if you haven't already. It would be great to have a big group from Tillicum at the game!! Send a note to school with your child or contact Christine Surridge directly if you no longer have a form. 250-727-2552 or cmsurridge@shaw.ca.



Practices will begin on Thursday, October 19th at lunch recess in the LIBRARY for those grade 1 and 2 students who have signed up for Choir Kids - *Junior Choir*.

FALL CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM Congratulations to Tillicum runners on an excellent season! Good luck at City Finals!

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. Parents are welcome to attend! Student bussing provided by Burnside/Gorge



Grade 4/5 soccer team practices are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at **lunch time**. Children need to wear runners and comfortable clothing to all practices. Please bring a **water bottle** to practices.

Those who practice regularly will be invited to participate in a Soccer Jamboree at Beckwith Park on Thursday, October 26 which starts at 12:15. Permission forms will be sent home this week.

The remainder of OCTOBER 2017 at Tillicum...

15.	16. X-Country Race after school - Clover Point 3:45 PM	17.	18. X-Country Practice 8:15 am Recognition Assembly 2:00pm	19.	20. DISTRICT PRO D DAY No school for students	21.
22.	23. X-Country Final at Beacon Hill Park 1 PM	24.	25. Halloween Safety Talks for all students. Saanich Police	26. Soccer Jamboree at Beckwith Park	27.	28.
29	30.	31. Black and Orange Day - no Halloween costumes at school, please!				

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