



Tillicum Community School

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Hello Tillicum students, families, and staff

Spring Break will soon be here! Before we are off, please take the time to celebrate your child's successes when reviewing their report cards. We are all very proud of the accomplishments our students have made this term. Students have put in their best efforts and have made significant progress. Thank you to all parents for their tremendous support. Regular communication with classroom teachers, help with field trips, and consistent home reading are all very much appreciated.

We have enjoyed another very busy second term at Tillicum. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated and skilled Tillicum staff for all of their efforts this term. Our staff provide outstanding classroom learning activities, exemplary assessment of learning practices and combine this with targeted supports supporting all students.

It is definitely a pleasure to work with such hard-working students and staff, and such a supportive community.

Planning for September

We are making plans for our school organization for next year. It is imperative for us to know if a **current Kindergarten - Gr 4 child** is moving/not returning to Tillicum Community School in September. If this is the case for your family, please advise Mr. Duyndam (250-386-1408) or by e-mail: tillicum@sd61.bc.ca as soon as possible. This information is very much appreciated and greatly assists us in our planning.

Student-Led Conferences

More detailed information will be sent home before Spring Break but we wanted to let you know that this year, student-led conferences will look and feel similar to last year. Every Division teacher will be communicating their plans for Student-led Conferences to their families individually. Student-Led conferences are on April 20th & 21st – **1:35PM dismissal on Wednesday, April 20th.**



Visit the school library from the comfort of home during Spring Break!

Have you visited the eLibrary? You can access it right from our school home page or by entering elibrary.sd61.bc.ca into your browser address bar. There are online books, magazines and podcasts as well as reference tools to feed the inquisitive mind. There are websites for all subject areas and a section for parents too. You can even browse our library catalog from home.

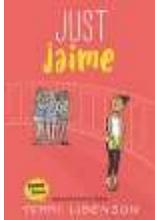




Some of our web resources are subscription-based. To find out how to access resources that require a username and password, look for the lock icon explanation on applicable pages. You may access all the information about logging on from home by using the password: sd61.

Book Recommendations by Grade 5s

Here are some book recommendations from Grade 5 students who thought other children in Grades 3-5 might enjoy:



I have been reading “Just Jaime” by Terri Libenson. This book is about a girl named Jaime and she is starting middle school. She is really excited to be with her friends and having fun, but does it go well? Jaime’s friends are starting to be acting a little bit weird. Jaime suspects nothing of it and thinks it's just a coincidence. After a month or two Jaime notices that middle school is harder than she thought. Her friends were treating her differently, she was always tired and something was up. Everyone was gossiping and whispering rude and mean things about Jaime, when she realized she was really upset and sad. This book is about middle school, friendships, emotions, and drama. I think people that will enjoy this book are people that like books that have drama and emotion in them. I would recommend this book to ages 9 - 12 in grades 4 - 7. By Tally F. in Division 1



Recently I have been reading a book called The Breadwinner. The Breadwinner is about a girl in Afghanistan named Parvana. She has four siblings, a mother, and a father. She goes to the market with her father a lot. One day her father was arrested by the he goes to jail for going to school in England. After an attempt to get him back her mother becomes depressed. On the fourth day Parvana had to go get food for everyone. When she was at the market she encountered a Talib. The Talib hit her but she said stop and ran. When she was running, she ran into someone! Who was it!? Is Parvana ok!?

What Happens next!? I would recommend this book for Grades 5 and up. By Talia Z. in Division 1

Leisure Involvement for Everyone (*LIFE*)

Financial Assistance - Saanich helps low income residents access recreation services and programs at Saanich recreation centres. More information here:

<https://www.saanich.ca/EN/main/parks-recreation-culture/community-recreation-services/financial-assistance-inclusion/financial-assistance.html>

As always, we are open to discuss any concerns or questions you may have about our school or the programs/services we offer. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child’s education.



Have a wonderful Spring Break everyone! See you back after the break on Monday, April 4th.

Jeff Duyndam & Rhonda Leduc
Principal Vice-Principal



Tillicum Community School Calendar

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For events specific to each Division, please speak with your child's teacher.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1  <i>Celebrate Team Canada - Special Guest (wear Red & White)</i>	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 <i>PAC meeting 6:30 PM - Zoom</i>	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17  <i>HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY</i>	18 <i>Last day of classes before Spring Break</i> <i>Report Cards Home</i>	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30	31	<i>April 1</i>	Early April: <i>April 4 - School Reopens</i> <i>April 12 - Fire Drill</i> <i>April 13 - PAC Meeting</i> <i>April 15-18 - Easter Weekend</i>
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