



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. We 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.

We would also like to thank our wonderful PAC for their continued support of our grade 3 swim program. This program is a big success and is only made possible by the generous support of our PAC.

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 19th & 20th – with **EARLY DISMISSAL on**

Wednesday, April 19 – 12:00 PM and regular dismissal on Thursday, April 20 (2:37 PM).



Report Cards – NOW ONLINE

Great news! The Greater Victoria School District has moved all report cards online. You can access your child's report card through [Parent Connect](#) by clicking on Assessment History. With 97% of our families already on Parent Connect, this should be an easy transition for us. Paper copies of report cards will continue to be available for families without internet access (please speak with your child's teacher). Term 2 report cards will be uploaded and available at the end of the school day on Friday, March 17.

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 in from home by using the password: sd61.

Music News

Congratulations to all of the Grade 4 and 5 students who participated in performing the song, 'Count on Me', as part of this year's Pink Shirt Day assembly. It is a very exciting time for Senior Choir, as they prepare to perform as part of Victoria Sings at the UVic Auditorium on Thursday, March 9th. As part of our commitment to increased Indigenous awareness and content, a Drumming Circle has been happening every Friday morning, at 8:35 AM. Please come and join in, as parents and students are welcome to participate.



HEROS Hockey



For the last 20 weeks, a group of grade 4/5 students have had the privilege to take part in a HEROS Hockey Program with other local schools. This program is ending mid-March. HEROS Hockey is a wonderful program teaching lifelong friendship and hockey skills, respect and responsibility. We would like to thank all of the dedicated volunteers (especially our very own Christa Easton), Victoria Police Department, Saanich Recreation and Tillicum Community School for providing this amazing opportunity for Tillicum students. <https://heroshockey.com/>

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-community/community-services/financial-assistance/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 3rd.

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	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 <i>Sr. Choir at Victoria Sings - UVic</i>	10	11
12	13	14	15 <i>PAC meeting 6:30 PM - Teams</i>	16	17 <i>Last day of classes before Spring Break</i> <i>Report Cards Available online</i> 	18
19	20 <i>S</i>	21 <i>P</i>	22 <i>I</i>	23 <i>N</i>	24 <i>G</i>	25
26	27 <i>B</i>	28 <i>R</i>	29 <i>E</i>	30 <i>A</i>	31 <i>K</i>	Early April: <i>April 3 - School Reopens</i> <i>April 7-10 - Easter Weekend</i> <i>April 11 - Fire Drill</i> <i>April 12 - PAC Meeting</i>