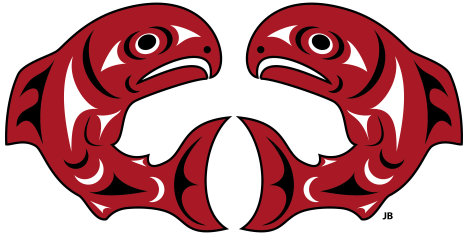



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Community Elementary School



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Terry Fox Assembly & Run

Today at school we had our first school assembly and our annual Terry Fox Run!



During our assembly, an ambassador from the Terry Fox Foundation shared an inspiring presentation about Terry Fox and his Marathon of Hope. Did you know that they have Terry Fox Runs as far away as Vietnam? That's what the ambassador, Huy Ta shared, and they've been doing so for years. That shows what an inspiration Terry was and that his legacy has not only stood the test of time, but has also grown across the global community.

After the presentation, all students ran/walked enthusiastically to show our school spirit and support of cancer research. Thank you to those families who elected to send donations to the [Terry Fox Foundation](#). These funds support cancer research and hopefully an eventual



cure for cancer. If your family would like to send a donation to school with your child next week, we will continue to collect funds until the end of next week.



So far, we have raised over \$300!

We're an Indigo Adopt A School!



Please join us in making a difference in the lives of the students at our school by supporting us in this year's Adopt a School fundraiser, hosted by the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation.

Every year, schools across Canada have the opportunity to apply for the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation's Adopt a School Fundraiser, in which each Indigo, Chapters, and Coles store fundraises on behalf of a single elementary school. We are thrilled to announce that our school was selected to participate in this year's fundraiser and will be supported by Indigo Robson! **Until October 6th**, this store will be fundraising on our behalf. During this time, our school community will also be raising funds to support our library through our [online fundraising page](#). Our school will receive every dollar raised during the fundraiser and will receive a 30% discount off books when shopping at Indigo, Chapters and Coles using fundraiser donations.

Through the Adopt a School fundraiser, we aim to augment our library budget to be able to modernize our non-fiction collection as well as continue to add to our fiction collection to more fulsomely reflect our wonderfully diverse student population. Please spread the word of this fundraiser amid your friends and community connections! As I say to your kids, "Books are brain food!" We appreciate every bit of support for our school library and your children's "hungry" brains!

In-Take Conferences (2:00 dismissal Tues & Thurs)

You will have received an email providing you means to sign up for an in-take conference next week. Our teachers value these conferences as an opportunity to hear from you, in person, about what makes your child unique and your hopes for their learning. If you have not already signed up, please do so! We appreciate you making time to connect with your child's teacher.

Orange Shirt Day and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Next Friday, September 27th we will recognize Orange Shirt Day at school. Leading up to Friday, your children will learn, in age-appropriate ways, about the shameful mistreatment and abuse of Indigenous children at Residential and Day Schools and how the associated trauma has impacted, and continues to impact, Indigenous communities in our country. One way we show collective support at school is by recognizing [Orange Shirt Day](#). Everyone is encouraged to wear an orange shirt if they have one. We will host



an assembly where we will gather to show that our school strongly supports Truth, Healing and Reconciliation for Indigenous Peoples in Canada. If you are a newcomer to Canada, please make time to learn about [Truth & Reconciliation](#) so that you too can choose to take action for reconciliation.

Reminders from the School Office

When your child arrives late, or needs to leave early

Please ensure your child comes through the entrance on Sowden Street (drop off on Redwood St, please) and signs in at the school office. If they do not sign in, you will be contacted by the automated SafeArrival system (multiple times) until you phone the school office to advise us your child arrived at school. As soon as they sign in late, we log your child as “in attendance” and you stop receiving attendance notifications!

If your child needs to leave school early, if possible, please notify us in advance, so that we can ensure they are in the office for time of departure. Please be patient if you arrive without prior notification requesting to have your child leave early. Children who leave the school early must be signed out by a parent/guardian or approved alternate in the school office.

Lunch drop-offs

If you aren't able to send your child to school with a lunch in the morning and need to drop one off, please bring it to the school office and ask to have your child's name put on the lunch. Please make sure your child knows their lunch will be dropped off in the school office so that they know to come to the office to get their lunch. Thank you for doing your best to provide your child a healthy, balanced lunch.

Please note: Students are *not* permitted to leave school grounds to get their own lunch at local vendors without **direct supervision** of a parent/guardian or approved alternate.

Important school forms

Thank you for making time to complete all of the required school forms. We know they take time, but they provide us *crucial* information. If you need help with any forms, please contact the school office. If you do not have easy access to a computer to complete online forms, please come to the school and we will help provide you means to complete the forms. We certainly don't want lack of access to technology to be a barrier for anyone! Following, please find a listing of the forms, and what they are for.

Paper copy forms	
Student Information Verification	IMPORTANT: Please make any changes to your current telephone, email address, residential address, etc. <i>Without your current information, we cannot contact you if something happens to your child!</i>
Emergency Contact Information and Emergency Release Forms	These forms are <i>ESSENTIAL</i> . Without these forms, we cannot contact anyone other than you to help your child in an emergency situation. If you are unable to come to your child's aid, we legally cannot allow your child to leave the school without the permission you provide on these forms.

Online forms (completed through the Cash Online system but the forms are free of charge!)

<p>Impromptu Walking Field Trip Informed Consent</p>	<p>Allows your child to walk with their class with staff member supervision off school grounds to spaces near the school that will enhance student learning (local parks, community businesses, community centres, etc.).</p>
<p>Personal Information Consent</p>	<p>Allows staff members to take photos/videos of your child to share with you and the school community, whether through teacher communications or in school newsletters. PLEASE NOTE: We do not post student photos/videos on social media platforms. Therefore, we request that any photos/videos we share through our communications are not shared through your social media accounts/platforms.</p>
<p>Use of Technology Agreement</p>	<p>Gives your consent for your child to use school computers/devices on a regular basis to support their learning. Without your consent, your children cannot use computers/devices at the school. Children who have specific learning/health needs that require use of personal devices will be provided permission to use their devices in accordance with their IEPs.</p>
<p>IB PYP Parent Consent</p>	<p>Gives your consent for the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) to use images of your child’s work and/or your child in their material related to the implementation of the Primary Years Programme (PYP). More information about the IBO and its programs.</p>

Electric bikes & scooters

We have noticed that some students have been traveling to/from school on electric bikes and scooters. Because children under the age of 16 cannot legally operate e-bikes and e-scooters, we must respectfully request that they do not use these as means to get to/from school. [E-Bikes rules of the road](#) and [Operating your kick scooter safely: know the rules](#). Thank you for your understanding! Also note: if your child brings an e-bike/e-scooter to school, we cannot allow them to bring them into the school for safe storage. The school district also does not take any liability for any bikes/scooters that students bring onto school grounds. For person-powered (non-e) bikes, there are racks on the grounds where they can be locked. For person-powered scooters, generally teachers can determine a means to store them in classrooms. If there are too many scooters in a certain classroom, we will figure out another safe place/means to store person-powered scooters.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK (SEPT. 23–27)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>8:45 - School starts 3:00 Dismissal</p>	<p>8:45 - School starts 2:00 Dismissal for In-Take Conferences</p>	<p>8:45 - School starts 2:15 Dismissal</p>	<p>8:45 - School starts 2:00 Dismissal for In-Take Conferences</p>	<p>8:45 - School starts Orange Shirt Day (see newsletter for information about this day) 3:00 Dismissal</p>