Talmey Elem

Timberwolf Times

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the həńqəminəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.



This past week all classes participated in an outside story walk. Students read the book Gifts from Raven written by Kung Jaadee. Kung Jaadee is a traditional Haida storyteller, singer, drummer, teacher, and children's book author. We were lucky to have her visit our school last June. Her story inspired our new school mural! Following the story walk experience, students reflected on their own 'gifts' and shared these as part of our mural. We hope you were able to visit our mural during our Community Welcome event this afternoon! We thank our school librarian, Ms. Yang, for organizing our story walk and Ms. Lal, Ms. Nanat and Ms. Trainor for organizing our mural! It will be on display at the front of our school for the remainder of this school year.

Community Welcome

We hope you enjoyed our Community Welcome event this afternoon. Thank you to our PAC for supplying enough apples for all students. Thank you to our staff for creating special activities for students to share with their families. We hope you were able to visit our new mural and add a ribbon to our tree of joy!





September 30 - National Day of Truth and Reconciliation



This day honours the lost children and survivors of residential schools, their families, and their communities. Commemoration and acknowledgement of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the

reconciliation process.

We will be acknowledging Orange Shirt Day **on Friday**, **September 29** and invite students to wear orange to school.

*Please note as September 30th falls on a Saturday this year, school will not be in session on Monday, October 2nd.

School supplies and student agendas



The Board of School Trustees has approved the Schools Supplies Service Program for 2023- 2024. The cost to each student is \$33.00. The School Board continues to offer this service as a cost saving support to families and it is also as a way of standardizing basic supplies for classroom use. Exercise books, duo tangs, papers, pencils, pens,

crayons, rulers, erasers, glue etc. are supplied in quantities appropriate to each grade. In the meantime, students will be given all the school supplies they need for the first six weeks of the school year. Payment is set up through our school cash online program.

Students in <u>Divisions 1 -6 & Divisions 8-12</u> are expected to use a daily planner. The school provides planners at a cost of \$6.00. We hope that you take advantage of this excellent organizational tool.

School Supplies and Student Planner fees will be requested by Friday, October 13, 2022.

Student verification package and school forms

Student verification packages were sent home this week. Each package includes a **Student Verification Form** and **Emergency Release Form** for review and updating, a **Walking Field Trip Form**, **Fruit & Vegetable consent**, and the **Consent to Receive Electronic Communications Form**. When you have completed filling in all these forms, please have your child return them to the teacher.

School Events

Terry Fox Run & Fundraising Campaign

Our Terry Fox run was a wonderful success! Thank you to all our student leaders who participated as emcees and warm-up leaders! A special thank you to Mr. Snyder for his organizational support. A special thank you to <u>Mr. Turnbull</u> for buying apples for all our students!

*There is still time to donate to the Terry Fox Foundation if you haven't already done so! Our fundraising goal for this school year is \$2000. So far Talmey school has raised \$ 1,075. Thank you for helping us do our part to support the Terry Fox Foundation!





Fundraising link: <u>https://schools.terryfox.ca/RCTalmeyElementary</u>



Photo Day - Wednesday, October 18

Please mark your calendars as Individual Student Photo Day is coming up.



Fruit and Vegetable Program & Consent Form (attached to verification packages)

We are pleased to announce that Talmey will be participating in the B.C. School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program sponsored by B.C. Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation and ActNowBC. This program is offered as part of a province-wide healthy living initiative. We will be providing fresh B.C. fruits and vegetable to the students during classroom time.

Students will receive picked, washed, and ready to enjoy produce every other week at no charge. <u>This</u> program is set to begin the week of October 17th.

Every Talmey student is automatically part of this nutritional program but if you choose to withdraw your child(ren), please complete the form in the package. Also, if your child has a food allergy, please fill in the form and return it to the teacher.

We thank our PAC in advance for their support with the distribution of the fruits and vegetables!

Talmey PAC News

Our first PAC meeting was a success! It was wonderful to have so many parents attend our first meeting of the year! A reminder that all parents are welcome to attend PAC meetings and our PAC offers childminding during meetings.

Our next two PAC meetings will be on: -Wednesday, October 11th @6:30 p.m. -Wednesday, November 15th @6:30 p.m.



Hot Lunch days will begin on September 29th. Please use Munch-a-Lunch website to place the order for your child(ren).

A notice was sent home earlier this month. If you are interested in placing an order, please do so through the Munch a Lunch site. (<u>https://munchalunch.com/schools/RCTalmey</u>)

* Online ordering for the first term is now open and will <u>close on Friday, September 22nd</u> at 11:59pm. All orders and payment for the entire term should be submitted. Hot lunch dates & menu:

09/29 (F	Fri) - Fukuroku Japanese Restaurant
10/06 (F	Fri) - Fusion Feast Pizza & Pasta
10/13 (F	Fri) - Subway Sandwiches
10/27 (F	Fri) - A&W
11/03 (F	Fri) - Fusion Feast Pizza & Pasta
11/10 (F	ri) - Subway Sandwiches
11/17 (F	Fri) - Fukuroku Japanese Restaurant
11/24 (F	Fri) - A&W
12/01 (F	Fri) - Fusion Feast Pizza & Pasta
12/08 (F	Fri) - Subway Sandwiches
12/15 (F	Fri) - A&W
12/22 (F	Fri) - Fukuroku Japanese Restaurant

District News

Student and Family Affordability Fund

The Student and Family Affordability Fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. The additional funding will also be used to support school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

We request that families reach out to Ms. Hazon if you need assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Student Absence/Early Warning – Call 604-668-6275 Option 1

The Early Warning program requires parents to call the school and leave a message at 604-668-6275 option 1 if students are absent. The goal of this program is to ensure that all of our students are accounted for as they to school each day.



Reporting Changes-Information Webinar for Families

The Richmond School District will be providing an overview of the new changes to reporting and what you can expect from your child's school in communicating student learning over the course of the school year. Please join us October 5, 2023 at 6:00pm via the webinar link below:

> Communicating Student Learning: Information for Parents and Caregivers Oct 5, 2023, 6:00 PM Zoom link:<u>https://sd38.zoom.us/j/69679113837</u> Webinar ID: 696 7911 3837 Passcode: 2023



Friday, September 22	Professional Development Day (no school for students)
Saturday, September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day
Monday, October 2	No School in lieu of Truth & Reconciliation Day
Tuesday, October 3	Fall Immunization
Monday, October 9	Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, October 18	Fall Photo Day
Thursday, October 19	Early dismissal for parent/teacher conferences (12:00 pm)
Friday, October 20	Professional Development Day
Saturday, November 11	Remembrance Day
Monday, November 13	Stat Holiday for Remembrance Day <mark>(no school)</mark>
Monday, November 20	Professional Development Day
Mon, Dec 25 to Fri, Jan 5	Winter Vacation
Monday, January 8	Return to School

Upcoming Important Dates