

Timberwolf Times

Issue #2

September 19, 2025

Message From our Leadership Team

We had an exciting week with the opening of our new playground, our Community Welcome event and our Terry Fox run!

Thank you to staff, students and families for supporting our heartifact project. Over the last few weeks we have collected many heartifact contributions (images & stories). These will soon be on display as part of an interactive community mural titled,

Creating a Community of Kindness Through Story Sharing

As our school is focused on strengthening literacy skills and creating a connected community, we are grateful for your participation. An extra special thank you to our Community Welcome & Mural Committees for their planning time and support.

Thank you also to our PAC for supporting our events this week and for providing treats!

Ms. Hazon and Ms. Jess



Talmei Community Welcome!
FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Our staff has designed a variety of activities for you to complete with your child/children. Here are some helpful hints for you:

1. Please travel as a family.
2. Please begin your exploration at your child's classroom. If you have more than one child, decide as a family where you would like to begin.
3. The community welcome runs from 3 to 4pm.
4. Please actively participate with your children.



September Calendar

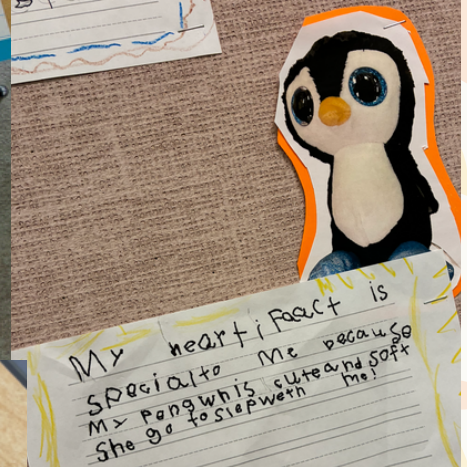
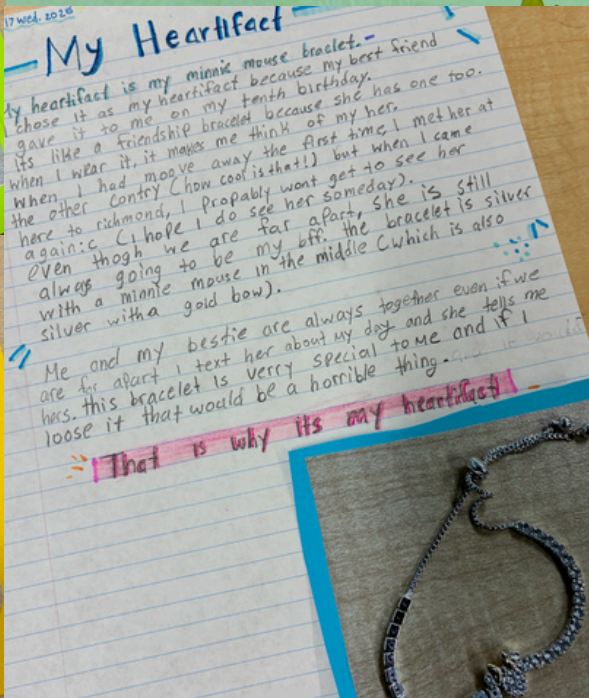
- **Mon, Sept 22:** Pro-D Day (No School)
- **Fri, Sept 26:** Hot Lunch
- **Mon, Sept 29:** Orange Shirt Day
- **Tue, Sept 30:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School)

Community Welcome

We hope you enjoyed our Community Welcome event!

Thank you to our staff, students and families for helping to make our welcome event a success.

Why is your heartifact special to you?
What memories does your heartifact remind you of?
What story does your heartifact tell?



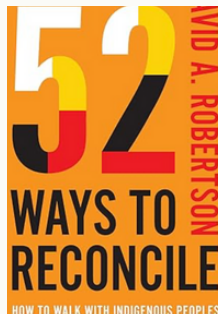


September 29 Orange Shirt Day



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

Over the coming weeks, students will be learning more about residential schools and the Calls to Action. Our library has a new collection of Indigenous texts. Classes will also be participating in a plant walk which will include a visit to our new Indigenous Teaching garden located in our courtyard.



September 30 – No School 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.



**NATIONAL DAY
FOR TRUTH AND
RECONCILIATION**

The Terry Fox fundraising link is here:
<https://schools.terryfox.ca/100373>



Thank you for your support!



Terry Fox Run & Fundraising

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 our PAC for buying, washing and distributing 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 \$1500. So far Talmey school has raised close to \$1218.

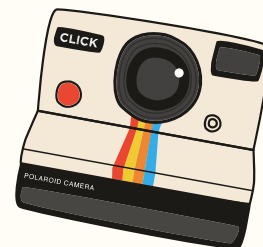
Thank you for helping us do our part to support the Terry Fox Foundation!



Photo Day - Wednesday, October 15th



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



School Supplies and Student Agendas

The Board of School Trustees has approved the Schools Supplies Service Program for 2025-2026. The cost to each student is \$35. 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 Divisions 1 -7 and Divisions 9-13 are expected to use a daily planner. The school provides planners at a cost of \$7.00. We hope that you take advantage of this excellent organizational tool.

School Supplies and Student Planner fees have been requested from [SchoolCashOnline](#).

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.

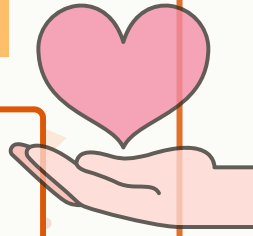


Student Family Affordability

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.

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.



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. Our PAC offers child minding during meetings.

Our next PAC meeting will be on:
Monday, October 20, 2025
at 6:30 pm



Hot Lunch days will begin on September 26th. Please use Munch-a-Lunch website to place the order for your child(ren). If you are interested in placing an order, please do so through the Munch a Lunch site <https://munchalunch.com/schools/RCTalmey>

The deadline to order hot lunch for September 26th is [Friday, September 19th at midnight](#).

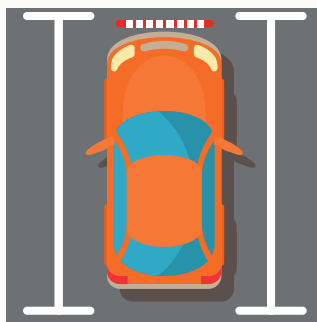
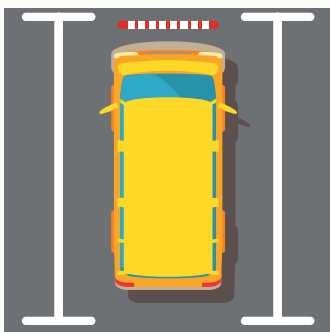
If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up through Munchalunch or email the PAC at talmeypac@gmail.com



A reminder to families and caregivers who pick up at the end of the school day to please park in the neighbourhood and walk to the school. We are experiencing ongoing challenges with congestion in our parking lot. We may need to close our lot at the end of the day if we continue to have challenges with safety.

Thank you for helping to keep our community safe.

In consulting with the RCMP, they do remind us **not to double park or block access for cars as you may be dropping or picking up your children. If there are no parking spaces available, please do not double park!** Exit the parking lot and park along the side streets that allow for parking, while abiding by the No Stopping regulations in front of the school, which are being regularly enforced by By-Law Officers and the RCMP



**STUDENT ABSENCE/EARLY WARNING-
PLS CALL 604-668-6257 OPTION 1**

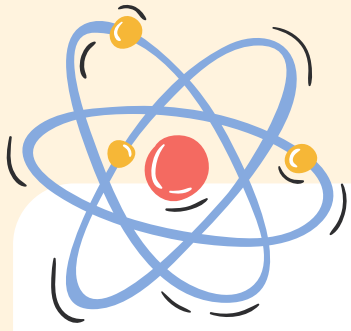


The EarlyWarning program requires parents to call the school and leave a message at 604-668-6275 option 1 if students are absent.

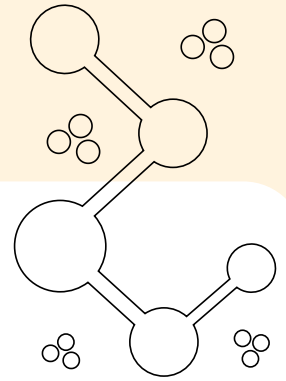
The goal of this program is to ensure that all of our students are accounted for as they come to school each day



BODY SCIENCE WORKSHOPS AT TALMEY



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Noon** body science™



Body Science Boot Camp for Parents

Parenthood never arrives with a rulebook, and when it comes to explaining the world of sexual health to your child, it can be hard not to end up a bright shade of red. Using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will show you how easy it is to convey healthy, positive messages about sexual health to kids.

In this workshop parents will learn:

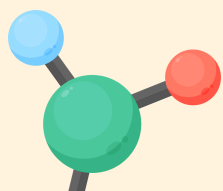
- Why we need to talk to children about sexual health at a young age
- How to reduce risk of child sexual abuse
- What children should know at each stage of development, with specific examples of how to explain concepts and processes using inclusive language
- How to become their kids' go-to source of sexual health information
- How to normalize open, honest sexual health conversations in their family
- How to effectively answer even the toughest questions kids ask
- What will be covered in Body Science workshops for students

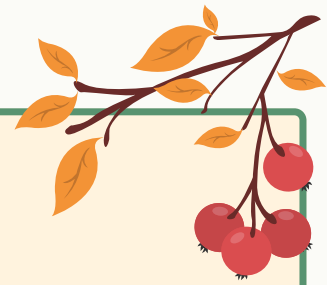


*Student workshops are scheduled for Thursday & Friday Oct 9th & 10th-More info to come.

A parent information session will also be offered:

*The parent Zoom meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 7th at 6:30 PM. The Zoom link will be shared with all parents closer to the date.





DISTRICT NEWS

Safer Schools Training Sessions for Families

Safer Schools Together offers training sessions that are of no cost to families. These sessions are designed to help promote informed decision making when navigating the digital world with children and youth.

Each of these free, virtual sessions are offered a number of times during the school year. Please click on the links below for full details as well as dates available for registration:

- [Establishing Safe, Caring and Respectful Digital Communities](#)
- [Establishing Family Practices for Safeguarding Against Cyberbullying and Extortion](#)

RICHMOND CITY NEWS

All Richmond kids in grade 5, including those home-schooled or attending private schools, can pick up a pass today.

Each Pass includes FREE admission until June 30, 2026 to:

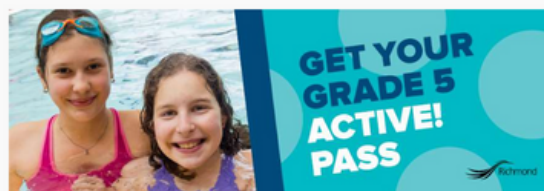
- Drop-in public swimming at Minoru Centre for Active Living and Watermania
- Drop-in public skating at Richmond Ice Centre and Minoru Arenas (skate rentals are an extra fee)
- West Richmond Pitch & Putt with a paying adult (rentals are an extra fee)
- Various drop-in programs at local community centres (check back for details)

It's also simple to register!

Grade 5 students just need to bring the following to a local recreation centre:

- birth certificate or passport showing they are 10 years old as of December 31, 2025; and
- proof of residency or City of Richmond Grade 5 confirmation letter received in school in October.

2025/2026 Grade 5 Active! Pass





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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

Tuesday, September 2	Grades 1-7 students attend from 8:45 am-9:45 am
	New Kindergarten students attend from 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
Monday, September 22	Professional Development Day (no school)
Tuesday, September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day (no school)
Monday, October 13	Thanksgiving Day (no school)
Wednesday, October 15	Individual Photo Day
Tuesday, October 21	Fall Immunization
Thursday, October 23	Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am- Learning Update #1/Conferences
Friday, October 24	Professional Development Day (no school)
Tuesday, November 11	Remembrance Day (no school)
Thursday, November 13	Photo Retake Day
Monday, December 1	Professional Development Day (no school)
Thursday, December 18	Learning Update #2 Written Updates get Published
Friday, December 19	Last day of School before Winter Break
Monday, Dec 22 to Fri, Jan 2	Winter Break (no school)
Monday, January 5	School Reopens after Winter Break
Friday, January 23	Professional Development Day (no school)
Thursday, February 12	Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am- Learning Update #3/Conferences
Friday, February 13	Professional Development Day (no school)
Monday, February 16	BC Family Day (no school)
Friday, March 13	Last day of School before Spring Break
March 16 - 27	Spring Break (no school)
Monday, March 30	School Reopens after Spring Break
Friday, April 3	Good Friday (no school)
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday (no school)
Thursday, April 23	Learning Update #4/ Written Updates get Published
Tuesday, April 28	Spring Immunization
Friday, May 15	Professional Development Day (no school)
Monday, May 18	Victoria Day (no school)
Thursday, June 25	Last Day of School for Students
Thursday, June 25	Learning Update #5/ Written Updates get Published
Friday, June 26	Admin Day

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.



Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct
is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct