



# Tyee Newsletter

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May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Tyee is thrilled to welcome Jeffrey Wong, a track star from Kilarney High School, as our guest Track and Field Coach at Tyee! Our heartfelt thanks go to the Jerome Outreach Society for providing Tyee students with the opportunity to train with accomplished athletes.

Our track team is running in mini meets and having practices on Tuesdays in the month of May. They will be participating in a Zone and District Meet in the first week of June.

Thank you to Coach Taz and Coach Mike for sponsoring our track and field team!

Enjoy the weekend!

Mrs. Monrad



With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)

**Information Items:**

**1. Upcoming Dates:**

**May 8<sup>th</sup>** – Districtwide Earthquake and Radio Drill

**May 20<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>** – Tennis BC Lessons (PAC Sponsored)

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>** – PAC Spring Fair 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**May 29<sup>th</sup>** – VCH Immunization Day for students who have received notice

**June 5<sup>th</sup>** – Welcome to Kindergarten event for K's starting Sept 2025

**June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Games Day/Hot Dog Day

**June 20<sup>th</sup>** – Grade 7 Farewell 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**June 25<sup>th</sup>** – Music Assembly

**June 25<sup>th</sup>** – Final Written Summary of Learning goes home (Report Card Day)

**June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Last Day in Session for Students

**2. Earthquake and Radio Drill – May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

On Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, we will be practicing an Earthquake and Radio Drill as part of the Vancouver School Board's district-wide emergency drill at 2:00 pm. As part of our drill, we are looking for as many families as possible that can come to pick up their child as part of the Student Reunification Process.

We are asking parents who volunteer as part of Student Reunification to:

- arrive at 2:15 pm Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and line up at the "student pick-up" table located on the basketball court on the north side of the school.
- bring a piece of picture identification with you to the reunification drill.
- If you are sending someone other than yourselves, please ensure that this is a person you listed on the long yellow Reunification form that was completed earlier this school year.

If you are participating in the Student Reunification portion of the drill, please be prepared to leave the school grounds with your child(ren) after you are reunited. The drill will end at 2:45 pm and our regular dismissal at 2:58 pm will proceed after our drill. It is our hope to practice a robust drill to better prepare our community in the event of a real earthquake. We are asking as many families that can help us out by picking up their child early. We do understand that this is not possible for all families. Please fill out this form to inform us if you can be a part of the reunification as we need to plan and prepare in advance of this day. For those participating, we require one form to be filled out for each family. Include siblings all on one form. If you are not able to come pick up your child(ren) there is no need to fill out this form.

Forms will be collected up until end of day Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Thank you for your support!

<https://forms.office.com/r/FelVEQ8uqf>

VSBC Earthquake Drill, Radio Drill,  
and Student Reunification - Tyee  
Elementary



In case of emergency

## EMERGENCY REUNIFICATION PLAN

### PREPARATION

1. School forms: Emergency contact list - add local people who are able to pick up your children.
2. Have a list of all children you are responsible for.

### DURING AN EVENT

3. Bring your photo ID and report to the school as soon as possible.
4. When you arrive at the school, go to the clearly marked check-in area.
5. Organizers will locate your child and/or children you are responsible for.

#### Important Information – Please Translate

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Thông tin quan trọng - Xin tìm phiên dịch

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महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी - कृपया अनुवाद करें

중요한 정보 - 번역 부탁드립니다

Información importante - Por favor traducir

معلومات مهمة - الرجاء الترجمة

重要な情報-翻訳してください

اطلاعات مهم - لطفا ترجمه کنید

## PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL REUNIFICATION DURING A MAJOR EMERGENCY

*In case of an emergency, parents (or their designated emergency contact) will be responsible for picking up their children.*

### REUNIFICATION

In a major emergency, children will be kept at the school and only allowed to leave with an authorized adult from their emergency contact list.

### DURING AN EMERGENCY

Children may be inside the school or outside at the designated assembly area (if the building is damaged). Students will be grouped by grades and classes.

### CHECK-IN

Make sure you bring your photo ID.

Once at the school, go to the check-in table with the names of the children you are picking up.

### PICK UP

You will be sent to another station where runners will go and retrieve the children and reunite them with you.

If you are an emergency contact, ensure you pick up all the children you are responsible for.

Once you are reunited with your children, please promptly leave the school grounds.

### HOW CAN PARENTS PREPARE?

Have several authorized emergency contacts to pick up your child if you are not able to.

Review the reunification process and discuss with your emergency contacts.

Create a plan with your emergency contacts - pick up, meeting place, travel plan.

Submit the yellow emergency contact form to the school office and update if the information changes.

### VSB PREPAREDNESS

#### School Practice

Six fire drills; two earthquake drills; two drop, cover and hold drills; and one reunification drill per year.

#### School Emergency Response

Training - four to six volunteer staff with two days of School Emergency Response Team training.

All teachers - basic emergency training and procedures.

First Aid Attendant.

Principal - Incident Command training.

### VSB EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Emergency Radios - for communication with VSB Emergency Operations Centre.

Emergency food and water for 72-hour preparedness for Staff and Students while they are at the school.

## 3. PAC Weekly Update

### 1. Help Us Make This Our Best Spring Fair Yet!

The [Tyee Spring Fair](#) is coming up on **Friday, May 23rd from 3-6 p.m.** at the school. Preparation is underway to bring you an afternoon packed with delicious food, lively music, exciting games, and tons of fun for the whole family!

To make this our best spring fair yet, we need your help! Here are some ways you can help make the event a great success:

- **Donate Prizes** - We need your help in collecting donations for the **Rummage Sale and Tombola!** Please bring your new/gently used toys, games, books, accessories, sports stuff, crafts, household items, clothes, anything a kid might like, to the school at

your **earliest convenience**. Please leave your donations in the marked **collection box outside the office**. We need lots, so don't hold back! 😊

- **Make Jolly Jars** - Jolly Jars are the new musical jam prizes! We will have a table outside the front office so you can see some examples and drop off your own. A how-to guide is also available at the bottom of this update.
- **Support the Plant Sale** - Pre-order beautiful hanging baskets and other spring plants by **Friday, May 9th** for pick-up at the Fair: <https://tyeepac.growingsmilesfundraising.com>
- **Volunteer** - None of our events can happen without the support of wonderful volunteers! If you can lend 1.5 hours of your time, or have face-painting abilities, please reach out to Larissa Dundon <[larissa.dundon@gmail.com](mailto:larissa.dundon@gmail.com)> and Jake Giammarino <[jakegiammarino@gmail.com](mailto:jakegiammarino@gmail.com)>.

### 2. RBC Race for the Kids - Join the Tyee Running Team!

Last year a number of us ran in the [RBC Race for the Kids](#) in support of the BC Children's Hospital Foundation, and it was so much fun! Following the run, there was tons of food and entertainment, so it's a blast both during and after.

#### Event details:

- Sunday, June 8th, 9:00 am
  - 2 km and 5 km run options
  - Leaves from Riley Park (across from Nat Bailey Stadium)
- We'd love to have some more families join us this year. Space is limited, so don't wait and register today! To join the Tyee running team, register here:

<https://fundraise.bcchf.ca/fundraisers/thetyeeelementaryschool>

### 3. National Child and Youth Mental Health Day

FamilySmart offers free one-on-one parent/caregiver support to families who have a child struggling with their mental health and/or substance use. The services are free, with no diagnosis necessary and no wait lists.

Wednesday, May 7th marks National Child and Youth Mental Health Day. In support of this important day that celebrates connection, FamilyStart is providing a free toolkit and hosting several online events that may be of interest to many families. [Find program details here >](#)

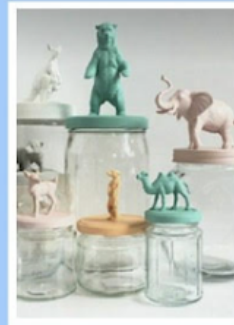


# MAKE A JOLLY JAR

## FOR THE SPRING FAIR

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**Decorate a clean jar** from your recycling bin using glass paints, stickers, gems, glitter, fabric, yarn, beads, tissue paper or decorative tape. The sky's the limit! You can't be too creative!



**Fill your jar with NEW or UN-USED objects of your choice.**

- Craft items: buttons, coloured tape, stickers, beads, sparkles
- Self care: lip gloss, face masks, bath salts
- Homemade edibles: hot chocolate ingredients, cookie mix, unpopped popcorn & flavours
- Gardening: seeds, plant markers, small bag of soil
- Deck of cards, dice, rules to games
- Fairy garden supplies
- Practical jokes: Whoopie cushion, fake poop and booklet of jokes
- Classic toys: jacks, tops, bouncy balls

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## Become a certified Education Assistant.

Interested in a career working with children?  
Education Assistants who support students  
with diverse abilities are in demand.  
Learn how you can become one!



**INFORMATION SESSION**  
RSVP for an Info Session and  
receive a Zoom link:  
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