



# Tyee Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We want to ensure all families are aware of helpful supports that may be of interest:

The **Leisure Access Program** offers free or reduced-cost access to Park Board facilities for Vancouver residents with low income. Once approved, your Leisure Access account is loaded onto a OneCard, giving you discounted access to pools, rinks, fitness centres, and more. Here is more information about this pass: <https://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/leisure-access-card.aspx>. The school is an eligible agency that can refer applicants to receive a one-year Leisure Access Pass.

The **Student and Family Affordability Fund** helps reduce financial barriers to school participation. Eligible supports include:

- **Basic school supplies** (e.g., pens, paper)
- **Waived fees** for classes, field trips, cultural events, and student clubs
- **Support for clothing/footwear** needed for school or extracurricular activities

Our school PAC subsidizes Tuesday and Thursday Hot Lunches (**Munch A Lunch orders**).

If you think your family may benefit from any of these supports, please reach out to the school office for more information.

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 x<sup>w</sup>məḡk'ayəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)

**Information Items:**

**1. Upcoming Dates:**

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Autism Awareness Assembly  
**May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Grade 7 Probability Fair Fundraiser  
**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. Class Placement - Parent Input 2025/2026 Form**

As we embark on preparations for the upcoming school year, our staff will soon convene to organize classes for the next academic term. As a team, we diligently consider each student's social, emotional, and academic requirements. Moreover, we consider specific learning needs such as English Language Learning, special needs, diverse learning styles, social dynamics, prior classroom experiences, as well as class size and composition. Following the Montessori philosophy, students typically benefit from and remain within their classes for a 3-year cycle. At Tyee, our focus for class placements predominantly centers around students transitioning to Grade 1 and Grade 4.

Should your child have learning needs that you wish our school team to consider for next year's class allocations, *we kindly request you fill out this form by May 16th, 2025*. Please understand that while we strive to accommodate all requests, the complexity involved in constructing our classes may render it challenging to fulfill every preference. We kindly urge you not to request specific teachers.

We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we collaborate to ensure a successful and enriching school year for all our students!

**Form due by Friday May 16th, 2025**

**Please Remember: This form is intended to assist our school team in the placement of students. The completion of this form is not a guarantee of placement.**

Link to form: <https://forms.office.com/r/xZVZ7jk137>

**3. Autism Awareness Assembly**

On the morning of Thursday, May 15th, ACT (Autism Community Training) will present an assembly at our school about Autism and Autism acceptance. ACT is a local BC registered charity that provides information and resources to British Columbia and Canada, specializing in affordable, evidence-based training for families, professionals, and Autistic individuals. There will be separate assemblies for our Primary and Intermediate classes.

The assembly is designed to encourage understanding, empathy, and kindness. Through fun, interactive games and stories, the children will learn:

- **Everyone is unique.** Just like we all have our own likes, dislikes, and talents, people with autism have their own ways of thinking, feeling, and communicating.
- **Autism can make some things harder.** Some children with autism may find it challenging to talk, make friends, or handle busy environments. But they also have incredible strengths, like paying attention to details or being experts in areas they love.

- **We can all be kind friends.** The children learned the importance of patience, being inclusive, and respecting differences.

Thank you PAC for making a donation to ACT that will assist with funding valuable programs and resources that support individuals with autism and their families across Canada.

#### **4. PAC Weekly Update**

##### **1. General PAC Meeting on May 20th**

Mark your calendars for the May PAC General Meeting on Tuesday, May 20th! The online meeting will take place at 7 p.m. The Zoom link will be provided closer to the date. A lot of exciting activities are happening as we approach the end of the school year and begin planning for the next, so be sure to attend for the latest updates!

##### **2. The Tyee Spring Fair is Just Around the Corner - We Need Your Support! Volunteer Request**

We're getting excited for the Spring Fair on Friday, May 23rd and would love your help to make it a success! We especially need Day-Of Volunteers for short 1.5-hour shifts. Your contribution will ensure we can run all the planned games for everyone to enjoy. Please consider signing up today: <https://forms.gle/a3aD3U4ezszFtRCC9>

##### **Donation Request: Items for Kids & Jolly Jars**

We're collecting gently used/ giftable condition toys, books, games, and stuffies that kids will love. We're also looking for more jolly jars to add to the fun! Please bring any donations to the box outside the office at your convenience.

##### **Seeking Temporary Tent Loans for Fair Day**

To provide shade and comfort during the fair, we are looking for a few large tents to borrow for the day. If you have one you'd be willing to lend, please email the organizers: Larissa Dundon ([larissa.dundon@gmail.com](mailto:larissa.dundon@gmail.com)) and Jake Giammarino ([jakegiammarino@gmail.com](mailto:jakegiammarino@gmail.com)).

##### **Plant Sale - Order Soon! 🌸**

Don't forget to pre-order your plants by **Monday, May 12th!** There will only be limited options on the day of the fair. Place orders here: <https://tyeepac.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

##### **Help Us Spread the Word!**

The Tyee Spring Fair is open to everyone in our community. Please feel free to share the attached flyer with your friends, family, and neighbourhood groups to help us reach as many people as possible.

If you have any questions or need more information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

**Further Information:** <https://forms.gle/94Got2ESbTEBy7o98>

