

Tyee Elementary Newsletter

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Welcome back to school!

Today marks a meaningful milestone—our students have completed their first week of school, officially launching the new school year. The energy throughout the building has been vibrant and full of excitement. Naturally, there may have been a few butterflies too, which is all part of the beautiful process of embracing change and new beginnings.

At Tyee, we've had a few staffing updates, and we're thrilled to welcome new faces to our community. A warm welcome to our new Tyee families—we're so glad you're here!

Please also join me in welcoming our new staff members:

- Leiz Office Administrative Assistant
- **Daniela** Student Support Assistant
- Amy Kindergarten Teacher
- Alicia Grade 1/2/3 Teacher
- Rosanna School Counsellor

Please take a moment to review the important information below. Be sure to check out the instructions for completing required forms, now available online for your convenience. Here's to a joyful year ahead—filled with learning, laughter, and connection!

Mrs. Monrad

Upcoming Dates

- Friday, September 5, Welcome Back Assembly, 10:00 10:30 am
- Wednesday, September 10, Meet the Teacher Event (3:00 4:00 pm)
- Friday, September 19, Pro d Day (No school for students)
- Thursday, September 25, Individual Photo Day
- Friday, September 26, Smash Volleyball workshops (Grades 4-7)
- Ride the Road HUB Cycle Program for Grade 6/7 Students Sept. 24/26
- Tuesday, September 30, National Day for Truth and Reconciliation School Closed

Information Items

- 1. You're Invited! Open House & Meet the Staff Wednesday, September 10th 3:00 4:00 p.m.
- 3:10–3:55 PM Tour classrooms and explore the school
- 3:55 PM Welcome message & staff introductions on the basketball court

We look forward to seeing you there!

2. School Fees and School Cash Online

The Vancouver School Board offers School Cash Online at Tyee Elementary School as its preferred method of payment for all school fees, including everything from field trips to yearbooks. This secure system helps parents/guardians and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly, and easily online.

This system puts all the school fees available to your child online for purchase, keeping you informed of your child's activities and needs. We will post items through the system and assign the relevant fees to your child. You can then choose to purchase these fees online with one of three different methods, including credit cards. You can also stay informed and keep track of which school fees require your attention. The system strictly adheres to Canada's privacy and anti-spam legislation and meets the latest industry standards for payment security.

You are now able to register – a simple process that takes only a few minutes – by visiting https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com or visiting our website at http://www.vsb.bc.ca/online-payment and following directions to the School Cash Online page. You will need your child's usual first name, last name, and birth date to register. Please note that you will need to add each child to your account when they join the school (i.e., new kindergarten students).

Should you encounter any difficulties, you can use the parent help desk at **1(866) 961-1803** or by visiting **schoolcashonline.com/Home/Support.**

Welcome to SchoolCashOnline

Fast, Safe, Convenient,

For safety and efficiency reasons, Vancouver School Board would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our schools. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE!

It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child.







Go to https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com and click on Register.

- Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- √ Select a security question.
- Check YES to receive email notifications

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account (check spam).

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site, prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password to log in. This step will connect your child to your account.

- a) Enter the School Board Name.
- b) Enter the School Name.
- c) Enter Your Child's First Name,
 Last Name and Date of Birth.
- d) Select Continue.
- e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select Continue.
- f) Your child has been added to your account.

FAQs

I've forgotten my password Click on the "Forgot your password?" link to reset your password. A temporary password will be sent to the email address registered with your account.

How secure are my purchases? KEV Group's top priority is to keep your personal information safe. Go to https://helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com. and see Security for Security Policy and Privacy Policy.

What if I can't find my student? Contact your school to confirm your student's details (sign up criteria) to ensure it matches exactly with what was entered in your school's records.

What if I can't see any items? Each school creates their own items for purchase and assigns them to students. Once assigned, they will appear online under the student tab.

Need Help?

Go to helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com



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School Cash Online

- ✓ When adding to the cart, the item displayed prevents you from completing your purchase correctly
- √ You made a purchase on an item incorrectly and want to change your order
- ✓ You are missing items that you thought were available to purchase. Items are created by the school and School Cash Online displays those items for parents to purchase

How To Make Online Payments for Your Student Fees using

SchoolCashOnline Powered by **OKEV**GROUP

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OUR VSB

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE TRANSLATE

Tyee

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

School Year 2025-26 Standardized School Fee Schedule

*Financial Hardship Policy

The Board of Education is committed to ensuring that no school-age student will be denied an opportunity to participate in a course, class or program because of an inability to pay fees. Parents and guardians unable to pay some or all school fees are invited to speak to their child's teacher, school counsellor, and/or the school Principal.

\$35.00 GENERAL SCHOOL FEE

The Vancouver School Board offers the service of purchasing basic school supplies in bulk at wholesale prices and passing the cost savings on to families. The School Supply Fee for **2025-2026** is \$35.00 per student*. This optional fee covers basic consumable school supplies used for students' personal use such as paper, writing tools, glue sticks, erasers, exercise books and art supplies. Supplies are provided for the full year. Families can choose to purchase their own school supplies independently.

SUPPLEMENTAL FEES

Item	Fee
Agenda - School agendas/planners are a valuable tool for teaching children how to organize and plan for school. While students are not required to have an agenda/planner it is designed to assist students with the skills of organization and time management and is a very useful communication tool often used between teachers and families.	\$8
Grade 7 Camp	\$450

Other:

Optional Field Studies Fees- To be determined throughout the school year at the classroom level. Fees may be charged.

Optional Performance Fee - This optional supplementary fee supports the school in bringing in talented and professional theatrical and musical performers that align with a particular educational theme. To be determined throughout the school year at the classroom level. Fees may be charged.

Optional Activity Fee – This optional supplementary fee supports the school in bringing in unique activities that align with a particular educational theme. Fees may be charged.

3. How to report your child's absence/late/leaving early:

To report your child's absence: Tyee Safe Arrival #: 604-713-5159 ext. 88#

OR Email: tyeattendance@vsb.bc.ca

Parents should email or call Safe Arrival as soon as they know their child will be absent or late (prior to 9am) and provide the following details:

- Child's Name
- Div # or Teacher
- Reason for Absence
- Date & Length of Absence

Please note: The # symbol must be entered after the extension number. Thank you!

4. Tyee School Forms are online!

Some of our school forms have now been digitized. These consents are necessary for various aspects of your child's education, and we require all families to complete the forms for each of their children attending Tyee.

To complete these consents online, please log in to myforms.vsb.bc.ca

Please see attached for instructions. When logging in using the VSB Credential Option, you will need to use your child's @learn.vsb.bc.ca address. If this does not work, please use your child's PEN number and Date of Birth (DOB). (if you are still having issues logging in, please close all browsers and log out of all other accounts and try again.

If you encounter further difficulties or have any questions regarding the online consents or the process, please feel free to contact our school office at 604-713-4723.

Your prompt action in completing these consents online is great appreciated.

MyForms - Parent/Guardian User Guide

Introduction

MyForms is a new application from the Vancouver School Board intended to replace paper-based consent and acknowledgement of risk forms typically sent home with students.

The application allows parents/guardians to confirm and revoke their approval of topics and activities related to a student's studies.

Signing In

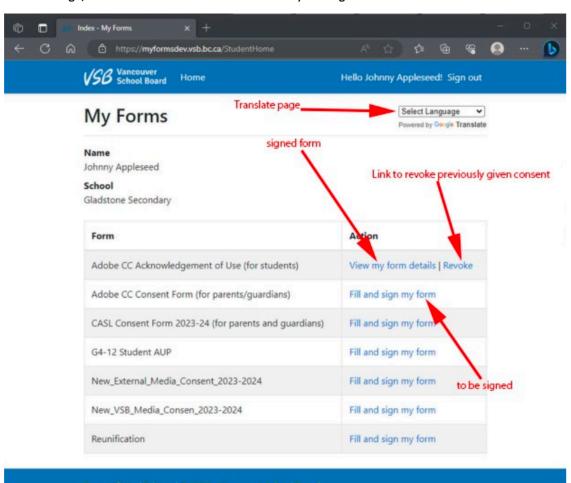
The application is accessed using a web browser at the following URL: https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca.

For each student in your care, you will log in using their credentials, either a PEN number and date of birth, or, if available, the students VSB email credentials.

Note: If required, details on how to recover the required credentials are available on the login page.

Home

Once signed in, you will be presented forms relevant to the current student. Depending on the state of the form, you will be able to sign, view or revoke consent for each form by clicking the relevant link.



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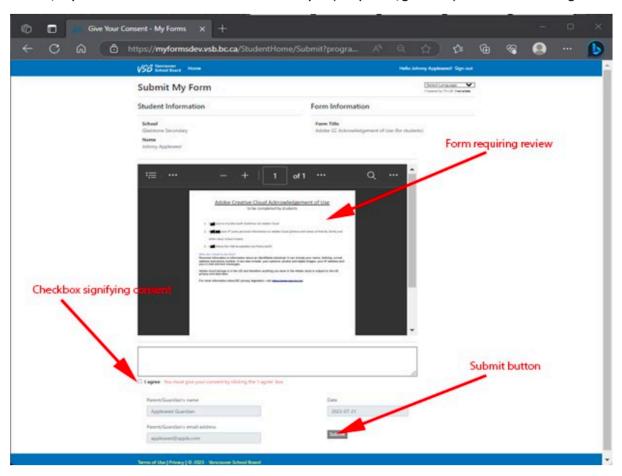
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Signing a form (providing consent)

Upon entering an unsigned form, you will be presented with the details of the matter requiring acknowledgment. Once read, and if you agree, you can provide consent by clicking the 'I agree' checkbox near the bottom of the form.

Upon submission, you will be brought back to the main page.

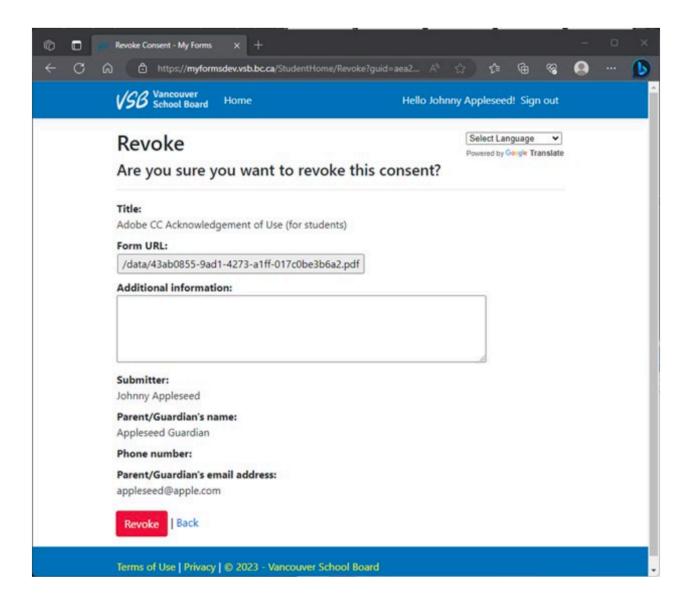
Further, MyForms will send a confirmation email to you (the parent/guardian) for review and filing.



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Revoking Consent

If you've previously consented to a form but now prefer to remove consent, you will do this



Last Full Day of Pupil Attendance

Administrative/School Closing Day

Tyee Elementary School



SCHOOL OPERATION OVERVIEW		
Number of Days in Session	187	
Number of Days of Instruction	180	
Number of Days of Non-Instruction	5 Professional Development Days	
	1 Non-Instructional Day	
	1 Administrative Day (June 26)	
IMPORTANT DATES		
First Day of School for Students	Tuesday, September 2, 2025	
National Day of Truth & Reconciliation	Tuesday, September 30, 2025	
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 13, 2025	
Remembrance Day	Tuesday, November 11, 2025	
Last Day of Instruction Before Winter Vacation	Friday, December 19, 2025	
Winter Vacation Period	Monday, December 22, 2025-Friday, January 2, 2026	
School Re-opens after Winter Vacation	Monday, January 5, 2026	
Family Day	Monday, February 16, 2026	
Last Day of Instruction Before Spring Vacation	Friday, March 13, 2026	
Spring Vacation Period	Monday, March 16-Friday, March 27, 2026	
School Re-opens after Spring Vacation	Monday March 30, 2026	
Good Friday	Friday, April 3, 2026	
Easter Monday	Monday April 6, 2026	
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18, 2026	

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS (SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION)		
Friday, September 19, 2025	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)	
Friday, October 24, 2025	Professional Development Day (Province wide)	
Friday, November 21, 2025	Professional Development Day (District wide)	
Monday, January 12, 2026	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)	
Friday, February 13, 2026	Professional Development Day (District wide)	
Monday, April 20, 2026	Non-Instructional Day (District wide)	

Thursday, June 25, 2026

Friday, June 26, 2026

PARENT CONFERENCE DATES	EARLY DISMISSAL TIMES
October 15, 2025	2:00 p.m.
October 16, 2025	2:00 p.m.
April 29, 2026	2:00 p.m.
April 30, 2026	2:00 p.m.

5. Voluntary Student Accident Plans:

The VSB is offering parents the ability to purchase voluntary student accident insurance plans if they choose. These plans offer coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. The two companies offering this coverage are Insuremykids and Industrial Alliance (The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan). These plans are ideal for supplementing costs not covered by provincial health insurance or existing employer extended health and dental plans.

Families can find more information and register online to purchase and participate in any of these insurance plans by using the URL provided here:

https://insuremykids.com/schoolresources/

https://www.solutionsinsurance.com

There is no administration required on the part of the school. If any of your families have questions about either one of these programs, they can contact the company through the contact information on their website.

PAC Weekly Update

Welcome and welcome back to all the Tyee families! We at the PAC look forward to bringing you a variety of fun events and educational programming in the coming months.

To stay up to date with PAC news and events, including <u>after-school programming</u>, we encourage you to visit the <u>PAC website</u> and subscribe to blog updates and to the events calendar.

Here's to a fantastic new school year!

Registration Open for Tyee Junior Choir

We are excited for the return of the popular <u>after-school choir program</u>! The Tyee Junior Choir is open to students in grades 1 through 4 and runs on Tuesdays in the school library from 3 - 4 p.m. **Sign up here now >**



VEMS Choral Program Tyee Elementary Fall 2025



Junior Choir: Grades 1 to 3

11 rehearsals and a concert (\$156)

Registration: https://vems.ca/signup.html

What Happens in Choir? **Junior Choir Schedule** \$156 Students will learn healthy vocal production and musicianship while The Library exploring diverse repertoire. See our post <u>How do you Choose Music?</u> 2025-09-16 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-09-23 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-10-07 (Tue) - 1500-1600 At every rehearsal there is a professional pianist to help with live music 2025-10-14 (Tue) - 1500-1600 making. 2025-10-21 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-10-28 (Tue) - 1500-1600 Regular attendance is important; new songs are regularly introduced. 2025-11-04 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-11-18 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-11-25 (Tue) - 1500-1600 2025-12-02 (Tue) - 1500-1600 - 1500-1600 2025-12-09 (Tue)

Presented by ...

The Vancouver Extracurricular Music Society

- VEMS is a BC nonprofit society dedicated to bringing more music to more children.
- * Financial assistance is available; please apply when registering
- VEMS is registered with the CRA and issues tax receipts. www.vems.ca/donate/
- 20 children need to be enrolled for the choir to run.
- Questions? Email <u>president@vems.ca</u>











[&]quot;Music listening, performance, and composition engage nearly every area of the brain ... and involve nearly every neural subsystem." – Daniel J. Levitin, *This is your Brain on Music*.

[&]quot;Art has the power to render sorrow beautiful, make loneliness a shared experience, and transform despair into hope ... Music, like all art, gives pain and our most wrenching emotions voice, language, and form, so it can be recognized and shared."

— Brené Brown, Braving the Wilderness: The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone