



Tyee Elementary Newsletter

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Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope you all had a restful and joyful winter break and are feeling refreshed for the year ahead.

A reminder that there will be no school on Monday, January 12th, as this is a scheduled professional development day for school staff.

Upcoming Dates

- January 12th – Pro D Day (No school for students)
- January 30th – Bollywood Dance Presentation Assembly (Parents are invited to come watch our classes dance @ 1:15 p.m.)
- February 2nd, 4th, 5th - Ingrid Science Workshops (PAC Sponsored)
- February 6th, 19th, 20th (New Dates) – Black History Matters Presentations (PAC Sponsored)
- February 13th - Pro D Day (No school for students)
- February 16th – Family Day Statutory Holiday (School Closed)
- February 27th – Lunar New Year Lion Dance 10 a.m. (PAC Sponsored)
- March 3rd – VCH Immunization Clinic (by invitation only)
- March 10th – Second Term Learning Updates emailed home
- March 16 – 27 – Spring Break (School Closed)

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. Preparing for Grade 8 / What to know during the Grade 7 year

Grade 7 to 8 Transition Information - Please use the link below to access information about the transition from Grade 7 to Grade 8. This resource outlines key dates, program options, and next steps to help families feel informed and supported throughout the transition process.

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/preparing-for-grade-8-what-to-know-during-the-grade-7-year>

2. SPACES EDU – Learning Report Download

Report Card Access Reminder - Access to report cards through the links sent home will expire on January 15th. Please be sure to download your child's report card using the link that was emailed to you in December, so you have a copy for your records.

3. Proposed VSB School Calendars (2026–2027, 2027–2028 and 2028–2029)

After working with the District Calendar Advisory Committee, the proposed school calendars for the next three years (2026–2027, 2027–2028 and 2028–2029) have been posted on the [district website](#).

As required under the BC School Act, the District is holding an open comment period from December 15, 2025 to January 16, 2026. We are asking families to share their comments about the proposed calendars to engage@vsb.bc.ca. An email about this will be sent to all families in the District. Please include this information in your school's regular newsletter or update to families as well.

For more information about the calendar development process, visit [govsb.ca/calendar](#).

4. Elementary District Choice Programs

VSB is proud to offer a wide range of educational options for different types of learners. Our elementary district choice programs include French Immersion, Mandarin Bilingual, Indigenous Focus, Montessori, and Fine Arts. For further details about each program, please visit the [VSB elementary programs webpage](#). If you'd like to learn more about how these district choice programs are delivered and how they differ from the regular stream, tune in to [episode 13 of the VSB: After the Bellow podcast](#).

Families seeking an overview of the district choice programs and information about the online info sessions are encouraged to visit the [VSB district choice programs webpage](#).

District Choice Info Session Dates and Meeting Links:

- [Tuesday January 6, 2026 @ 6pm – Mandarin and Early Mandarin Bilingual](#)
- [Wednesday January 7, 2026 @ 6pm – Fine Arts](#)
- [Wednesday January 7, 2026 @ 6pm – Intensive French](#)
- [Thursday January 8, 2026 @6pm – Late French Immersion](#)
- [Thursday January 8, 2026 @6pm – Indigenous Focus School](#)
- [Tuesday January 13, 2026 @6pm– Early French Immersion](#)
- [Wednesday January 14, 2026 @6pm – Montessori](#)

PAC Weekly Update

Welcome back! We hope you've had a wonderful winter break.

1. Save the Date for the January PAC General Meeting

Please join us in person at the PAC General Meeting on **Tuesday, January 20th at 6:30 p.m.** in the library as we discuss exciting programming for the rest of the school year. Pizza will be served! Childminding available on site.

2. Sing with the Tyee Junior Choir

Rehearsals begin next week for the Tyee Junior Choir, open to students from grades K to 3. There is still time to sign up! Find program info and sign up [here](#).

3. Hot Lunch Program Resumes

Ordering is now open on [MunchLunch](#). For Tuesday hot lunch, the order deadline is 6 p.m. on the Wednesday prior. For Thursday sushi lunch, the order deadline is 10 p.m. on the Sunday prior.

A friendly reminder to please pack utensils for your child(ren) on lunch delivery days.

4. WhatsApp Community

If you would like to join the Tyee WhatsApp community, or if you have not received a response to your join request, please email communications@tyeepac.com and include your name, phone number, your student's name and division number. Thank you.