



# Tyee Elementary Newsletter

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Dear Tyee Families,

What a wonderful week we've had at Tyee! With a track meet for Grades 3–5, a fantastic talent show, and plenty of sunshine, it truly felt like the perfect mix of fun and excitement for our school community.

Looking ahead, we're excited to host "Bike to School Week" from June 1–5. This is a great opportunity to walk, roll, or ride to school. It might be a perfect weekend to dust off those bikes, scooters, or helmets if they've been tucked away as we'd love to see as many students participating as possible!

Enjoy the weekend!

## Information Items:

### 1. Class Placement - Parent Input 2026/2027

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 centres 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 29th, 2026. 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!

*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>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səlilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).*

Form due by Friday May 29th, 2026

Click for form: [Class Placement - Parent Input 2026/2027 – Fill out form](#)

## Upcoming Dates

- May 26<sup>th</sup> - Track Meet (GR 6, 7) - Van Tech
- May 29, June 5/8, 12, and 19 – Coding Workshops Grades 4-7
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Track and Field Zone Meet Grades 3-7 @ Van Tech Secondary School
- June 4<sup>th</sup> – On Our Way to K
- June 4<sup>th</sup> – Swangard Track and Field Meet Grades 4 - 7
- June 5<sup>th</sup> – Games Day
- June 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> – Ultimate Frisbee Lessons (PAC Sponsored)
- June 17<sup>th</sup> – Parent Appreciation Event (date changed from June 10<sup>th</sup>)
- June 19<sup>th</sup> – Grade 7 Farewell
- June 24<sup>th</sup> – Summary of Learning Reports emailed home
- June 25<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of School

## PAC Weekly Update

### 1. Wanted: Games Day Volunteers! 🏃

Games Day will take place on **Friday, June 5th**, and we need your help to make it a super fun day for the kids!

We are looking for volunteers to help with setting up the watermelon station, supporting the games, and serving lunch. If you are able to lend a hand, please indicate your availability here: <https://forms.gle/QSs4cP5jFFDonE3R9>

### 2. Bike Tune-ups on June 1st 🚲

Get your kids' bikes in tip-top shape at the Our Community Bikes tune-up event on **Monday, June 1st from 3-4:30 p.m.** at the school! This service will be provided free of charge through the support of a school grant. For students' bikes only.

### 3. Visit the PAC Blog for More Updates 📌

In addition to events and programming, the PAC also takes on advocacy initiatives of import to Tyee and other VSB families. For the latest updates and to find out how you can get involved, please visit the Tyee PAC Blog at [www.tyeepac.com](http://www.tyeepac.com).

**Calendar 2026-27**  
**Tyee**  
 Elementary School



**SCHOOL OPERATION OVERVIEW**

Number of Days in Session	186
Number of Days of Instruction	179
Number of Days of Non-Instruction	5 Professional Development Days 1 Non-Instructional Day 1 Administrative Day (June 30)

**IMPORTANT DATES**

First Day of School for Students	Tuesday, September 8, 2026
National Day of Truth & Reconciliation	Wednesday, September 30, 2026
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 12, 2026
Remembrance Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Last Day of Instruction Before Winter Vacation	Friday, December 18, 2026
Winter Vacation Period	Monday, December 21, 2026 - Friday, January 1, 2027
School Re-opens after Winter Vacation	Monday, January 4, 2027
Family Day	Monday, February 15, 2027
Last Day of Instruction Before Spring Vacation	Friday, March 12, 2027
Spring Vacation Period	Monday, March 15, 2027 - Thursday, March 25, 2027
Good Friday	Friday, March 26, 2027
Easter Monday	Monday, March 29, 2027
School Re-opens after Spring Vacation	Tuesday, March 30, 2027
Victoria Day	Monday, May 24, 2027
Last Full Day of Pupil Attendance	Tuesday, June 29, 2027
Administrative/School Closing Day	Wednesday, June 30, 2027

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS  
 (SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION)**

Monday, September 21, 2026	Professional Development Day (School - moveable)
Friday, October 23, 2026	Professional Development Day (Province wide)
Friday, November 20, 2026	Professional Development Day (District wide)
Friday, February 12, 2027	Professional Development Day (District wide)
Monday, April 19, 2027	Non-Instructional Day (District wide)
Friday, May 21, 2027	Professional Development Day (School – not moveable)

**PARENT CONFERENCE DATES**

**EARLY DISMISSAL TIMES**

Wednesday, October 28, 2026	2:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 29, 2026	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 27, 2027	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 28, 2027	2:00 p.m.

<b>2026-2027 Tyee Elementary Bell Schedule</b>	
<b>9:00-10:30</b>	<b>Instructional Time</b>
<b>10:30-10:50</b>	<b>Recess</b>
<b>10:50-12:10</b>	<b>Instructional Time</b>
<b>12:10-12:55</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>12:55-3:00</b>	<b>Instructional Time</b>

179 days  
 295 minutes/day  
 880 hours/year