



# Tyee Elementary Newsletter

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Dear Tyee Families,

We hope you're having a fantastic week. Just a quick reminder that there will be no school on Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> due to a Professional Development Day. We also have a few extra Tyee spirit wear items available for purchase and if you're interested, please contact the school office for details. Finally, if your child is missing any belongings, please check our Lost and Found located near the front office.

Happy weekend,  
Mrs. Monrad



## Upcoming Dates

- Friday November 21<sup>st</sup> = Pro D Day (No school for students)
- November 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> – Arts Umbrella Van Gogh Art Lessons for Grades 1-6
- December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Saleema Noon Body Science = Parent Info Session (Online ZOOM)
- December 8<sup>th</sup> – Saleema Noon Body Science Lessons at Tyee
- December 12<sup>th</sup> – Crafternoon (PAC sponsored event)
- December 16<sup>th</sup> – Summary of Learning (emailed to families)
- December 19<sup>th</sup> – Last day of classes before Winter Break
- December 22<sup>nd</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup> – School Closed for Winter Break
- January 5<sup>th</sup> – First day back to school after winter break
- January 12<sup>th</sup> – Pro D Day (No school for students)

# Information Items:

## 1. Reporting Student Absences/Late/Leaving Early:

**To report your child's absence:**  
**Tyee Safe Arrival #: 604-713-5159 ext. 88#**  
**OR Email: [tyeattendance@vsb.bc.ca](mailto: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!*

## 2. Winter Weather Bulletin



# Be in the know, winter is coming!

Follow VSB on social media to stay updated about school closures due to severe weather.

During extreme weather conditions (heavy snowfall, extreme cold, freezing rain, extreme heat, etc.) VSB schools will remain open if possible.

If a District-wide closure is necessary, it will be announced by 6:30 a.m.

Stay updated:

Facebook: Vancouver School Board

Instagram: @vsb39

X: @vsb39

VSB website: [vsb.bc.ca](http://vsb.bc.ca)

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### 3. Saleema Noon Body Science Presentations (PAC Sponsored)

Each year, students in elementary grades throughout BC receive instruction in sexual health education. This information is included in the Physical and Health Education program set out by the Ministry for Education. Our school PAC has organized experts in the field to address this topic with our school community. Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will be visiting our school to work with parents and students in **K to G7 on December 8<sup>th</sup>**.

In their Body Science presentations, Saleema Noon and her team of educators work with children teaching them about healthy bodies and healthy sexuality in ways they find non-threatening and entertaining. In their own language, children learn about how their bodies change, and what those changes mean.

PAC is hosting a **Parent Workshop** via Zoom on **December 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30-8pm**. In this session, Saleema or a member of her team will give an overview of student presentations and, using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, will show parents how easy it is to convey healthy, meaningful messages about sex and growing up to young children.

**Student sessions will take place in person during the school day December 8<sup>th</sup>**. The content of the presentations is supported by current research as being age appropriate and we believe that it contributes to healthy child development. Some of the topics Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators cover in their workshops extend beyond the content of the BC Physical and Health Education curriculum. For this reason, parents may choose to have their children OPT OUT of the Body Science workshops. If you do not wish your child to attend, we ask that you notify your child's teacher prior to the presentation day.

Please reach out to your child's teacher or to the school principal. If you have any questions and/or concerns about Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators' presentations.



## Kindergarten registration for children born in 2021 begins on November 1

All kindergarten applicants are required to complete an online application for their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for District Choice programs (Early French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous Focus School, Early Mandarin Bilingual, Nootka Fine Arts) and/or make a cross boundary application to attend a non-catchment school.

The priority registration period for kindergarten opens on **November 1** and closes on **January 31**. Students who submit an online application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

Applying for kindergarten is a **2-step process**:

### **Step 1:** Online Application (ApplyNow)

- Completion of an online application form (<https://applynow.vsb.bc.ca/>) for the school year **2026-27**

### **Step 2:** Verification of documentation

- After applying, you will receive instructions on how to schedule your in-person appointment.
- Bring supporting documentation during your scheduled appointment for verification.

### **Supporting documents needed:**

1. Proof of residence in Vancouver
2. Child's birth certificate
3. Immigration documentation (if applicable)
4. Immunization records
5. Court orders/documents (if applicable)

If you want to apply for a District Choice Program or cross boundary, you must **first apply to your English catchment elementary school**. District Choice Programs and cross boundary applications will be accepted in early 2026. For more information, go to: [govsb.ca/kchoice](https://govsb.ca/kchoice) and [govsb.ca/crossboundary](https://govsb.ca/crossboundary)





## TYEE GRADE 7 HOLIDAY PLANT FUNDRAISER

Tyee Grade 7 students are excited to host a Winter Plant Fundraiser this holiday season to help support their end of year celebrations. Plants are a great way to bring happiness to family and friends this holiday season.

Orders can be submitted online via this link: <https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/178417/196/False/True>



6.5" Poinsettia - Red and White - \$15



Holiday Wreaths - \$35



Tropical Indoor Planters - \$35



Hanging Greenery Bough - \$35

Succulent Bowls - \$35



Outdoor Greenery Arrangement - \$45



FINAL ORDER DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 24TH, 2025 AT 10:00 PM.  
PICK-UP WILL BE ON DECEMBER 9TH AND 10TH 3:00PM-4:00PM.

# PAC Weekly Update

Here are great ways to get involved and to connect with other Tyee families!

## 1. Join the Directory

Be included in this handy resource for contacting schoolmates for social activities!

<https://forms.gle/5CxCH8K8UYYehivb7>

## 2. Join Our WhatsApp Community

Join the school-wide community and also connect with your specific class division(s)!

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EsxDqc4CCEI7A6AAGvywc0>

## 3. Volunteer

Volunteers are vital to the success of all our events and programs. Choose from a wide range of initiatives and sign up today to help us make this school year the best one yet!

<https://forms.gle/33GNn17UZme3JG2L7>

## 4. Subscribe to Blog Updates

Sign up on [www.tyeepac.com](http://www.tyeepac.com) and have new blog posts automatically delivered to your inbox. You can also subscribe to the events & activities calendar there.