

Tecumseh Elementary School

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February 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians of Tecumseh Students!

Following on the heels of a chilly January and February, we are hoping for clearer skies and warmer weather as we head towards Spring Break!

As always, there are many amazing things happening at Tecumseh! Here are just a few updates:

- Division 6 has started their Intergenerational project with their Senior Buddies at Shannon Oaks Retirement Community— Their theme this year is "Artifacts of Home". They will be looking at what home means to them, what they associate with home, and how they carry it with them and remember—This is a wonderful project that connects community and provides opportunity to share experiences with elders.
- The Grade 7s continue to work hard on their Grade 7 play ("Summer Camp") preparations! The Grade 7 Play will be performed in the school gym on March 11 (1 pm performance for students with a few seats for parents/guardians) and March 12 (9 am performance for parents/guardians).
- The Artist in Residence Program continues to run on Wednesdays for a few more weeks—professional artist, Julie McIntyre, is working with 3 classes (Grade 5, 5/6, 6) on print making. Together with the Artist, the students are producing some amazing works of art!
- Parent conferences are set for February 26 and 27—reminder there is early dismissal at 2pm on each of these days.
- Thank you to our teachers who volunteer their time to coach and provide sporting opportunities for our students! Basketball season is wrapping up as we head into Badminton season.
- Please check <u>www.vsb.bc.ca</u> or our school's website: Build2Learn Project. The district is engaging the public/community to provide their input on ways we can use VSB buildings across the city. Phase 1 is on-line engagement and was launched Feb 19, 2020—it will be open until March 11, 2020. Phase 2 engagement will be in-person events in April, 2020, organized by the Vancouver School District.
- Division 11 invited an Indigenous artist who worked with their class to produce some beautiful soapstone carvings. These carvings are proudly displayed in our showcase, in front of the Main Office. Please make sure you stop by and enjoy their work!
- Thank you to our PAC, who continue to spearhead initiatives to raise funds to support the students at our school! Pizza sales continue to be successful. Stay tuned for information regarding a Spring Walk-a-thon fundraiser for Technology at Tecumseh! If you would like to be involved with the PAC, please let them know at: tecumsehelementaryPAC@gmail.com

We are so very grateful for the wonderful community of people (students, families, staff) that come together every day, to make Tecumseh such a great place to be.

Sincerely,

Mr. V. Edwards Principal

Upcoming Important Dates:

February 26, 2020

Parent/Teacher/Goal Setting Conferences: Early Dismissal for all students at 2:00 pm

February 27, 2020

Parent/Teacher/Goal Setting Conferences: Early Dismissal for all students at 2:00 pm

March 6, 2020

 MACC Heritage Fair (Gym), 1:30—2:30 pm for families to visit and see the Heritage Fair Projects—Gym

March 11, 2020

• Grade 7 Play, "Summer Camp"—1:00 pm performance for students in the gym. There will be a few seats for parents/guardians at this performance

March 12, 2020

• Grade 7 Play, "Summer Camp"—9:15 am performance for Parents/Guardians in the gym. Please come join us to celebrate our Grade 7 performers!

March 13, 2020

- Last day of school before Spring Break
- The Lost and Found will be packed up and donated

March 30, 2020

Back to school after Spring Break!

Lost and Found

Please check the Lost and Found for your child's items. The Lost and Found is located at the bottom of the stairs in front of the Main Office.

All items will be packed and donated before we head into Spring Break, March 13, 2020.