

TATLA LAKE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

So many highlights from October!

- Our first Community Connections of the school year
- Harvesting potatoes at the Porter's garden
- Visit with our KOOL School teachers
- CORE instruction for grade 8-11 students
- Take Me Outside Day
- GoByBike weeks
- Project WET workshop with WILD School Facilitator Martin Kruus
- Yoga with Hana K.
- And lots of learning opportunities with our fabulous teachers!





Students are enjoying the cross-net and the tetherball purchased with the money donated by Ken Robin.

Winter Clothing

Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor recesses and outdoor learning on a daily basis. Temperatures are hovering around zero in the morning and the days are getting chillier.

Our school will be using the outdoors as a regular learning space this year. There is a growing amount of research-based evidence that indicates when we provide children with the chance to spend regular time in nature, they are happier, healthier and better learners. We will be designing lessons based on BC Curriculum, to teach in and around the schoolyard and/or our surrounding

community. To assist your child in feeling comfortable and ready to learn outdoors, please help them to choose clothes and footwear that are appropriate for the weather each day. We do have some clothing to borrow if needed. We believe there is no bad weather - it just depends how we prepare for it.

Student Reporting Policy

[K-12 Student Reporting Policy Information for Educators and School Leaders | Building Student Success - B.C. Curriculum \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)

During the school year, communication with parents/guardians about their child's progress may take a variety of forms, such as, but not limited to: • progress reports • summative reports • student eportfolios • student-led and inclusive conferences • parent/teacher meetings • emails • telephone calls • other authentic samples and demonstrations of student learning. The goal of all updates is to communicate student progress and growth in relation to the learning standards and meaningfully engage students and parents/guardians in the learning process.

Parents/guardians will receive communication about their child's learning a minimum of five times during a school year (3 progress updates; 2 Parent/Teacher Interviews).

Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th and Thursday, November 17th. Please call the school to schedule a conference time (phone, virtual, in person) or email your child's teacher.

Attendance

School attendance is crucial in a child's development. Students who have the best chance to succeed in school are generally those who attend school on a consistent basis. Regular school attendance is an essential part of the learning process and crucial to graduating from school with a strong foundation for further studies and a successful career.

Upcoming Dates

- November 6th – Community Connections 1:00pm
- November 9th – Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:45am
- November 10th – No School Remembrance Day Observed
- November 15th & 16th Parent/Teacher Conferences
- November 20th – No School Professional Development Day

**Please return trophies received last June to school so they can be displayed in our trophy case for the remainder of the year. Thank you.

