

Principal's Message

Thank you to our students, staff, and families for an amazing start to the school year! It has been wonderful to see smiling faces, classrooms buzzing with activity, students reconnecting with friends and making new friendships. We appreciate everyone's efforts in helping make the first week such a positive and successful one.

Please welcome our new staff members:

Custodians: Mr. Jones and Mr. Chiu

Div 2: Ms. Georgeopoulos (EFI Kindergarten)

Div 10: Ms. Brown (Grade 3)

Div 13: Ms. Kim (Grade 3/4)

Div 15: Ms. Koon (Grade 4/5)

LST: Ms. Cho (M, T, W)

CYCW: Ms. Tannahill (M-T)

TASS: Ms. Hye Ri Kim, Ms. Olga

School Supply Fee and Planner Fee Reminder

A reminder that the **\$50 School Supply Fee** is due and can be paid through SchoolCash Online. This fee covers all school supplies needed throughout the year, including materials for special projects that students can take home.

Families who choose not to pay the fee will be responsible for providing and replacing their child's school supplies as needed during the year. If you wish to opt out, please notify the school office **by September 14 at 9am** and contact your child's homeroom teacher for a supplies list.

Some classes will use school planners to help students develop executive functioning and organizational skills while supporting communication between the classroom teacher and families. The school planner costs **\$7** and can be purchased through **School Cash Online**.

If your family is experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school office to discuss available financial support.

E-Scooter and E-Bike Safety

For everyone's safety, all e-scooters, e-bikes, bicycles, and other wheeled devices must be walked while on school grounds. Our playgrounds and pathways can be very busy before and after school, and walking these devices helps keep everyone safe.

SD40 Digital Device Policy Reminder

As we begin the school year, we ask families to review the [SD40 Digital Device Policy](#) with their children. Personal digital devices (**such as cell phones, tablets, earbuds, and smart watches**) are restricted during instructional time to minimize classroom distractions and support student learning. For Elementary school students: "No access to or use of such devices at any time during the school day. This is essentially a "bell-to-bell" restriction from the beginning of school to the end of the day. Parents are reminded that elementary students are always under direct supervision and that the school will communicate with home for any emergent need that arises."

Lost and Found

Want to make your child's lost item easier to find? Write their name on the labels of their hoodie, jackets, and sweaters – the most items we find on our Lost & Found rack!

Stream of Dreams

Calling all parent helpers! As we prepare for our Stream of Dreams project in October, we need assistance taking down the old fish display from our previous *Stream of Dreams* project. Join us for a **"Plier Party!"** and help us make room for what's next. We only need 10 to 15 minutes of your time, either after morning drop-off or before afternoon pick-up. Your support would be greatly appreciated! Please come see Ms. Trieu for more information.

September Highlights

September 14 – 25 – Terry Fox Fundraising Campaign. We are encouraging students to bring in a "Toonie for Terry" or click [HERE](#) to donate online to the Terry Fox Foundation and help us reach our GOAL of \$2200!

September 18: PAC Freezie Friday for \$1 cash, 3:00PM

September 21: FuelUp Lunch program starts

September 23: Open House, 6:00PM – 7:00PM

September 24: Terry Fox Assembly and Run – wear Red and White!

September 25: Non-Instructional Day – No School

September 29: Orange Shirt Day Assembly

September 30: National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – No School

PAC

Please welcome our new PAC Executives:

Chair: Jen Pistor

Vice Chair: Jamie Owen

Co-Treasurer: Stuart Monaghan

Co-Treasurer: Rikesh Lallu

Co-Secretary: Christine Nikic

Co-Secretary: Chelsea MacPherson

DPAC Rep: Krista Macaulay

Members at Large: Andrea Herd, Tamara Chin, Anita Palladino, Jenn Flasko

CPF Rep: Theresa Monaghan

Click [HERE](#) to meet your PAC Executives.