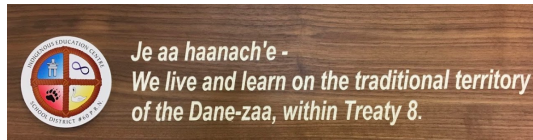


## “Tiger News” - September 27 - October 1st

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### “Terry Fox Run”



*The mission of our school community is to educate, inspire and empower all students.*

Tiger News: <https://bit.ly/3zbAVHc>

Archived newsletters -  
<https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/newsletters/>

Website: <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/>

Taylor School email - [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca)

Facebook Page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/sd60taylor>

Taylor PAC: [taylorsschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:taylorsschoolpac@gmail.com)

K-12 Health Check - Daily Health Check -  
<https://bit.ly/3odITi>

Please see the District website for any District updates - [www.prn.bc.ca](http://www.prn.bc.ca)

	Monday, September 27th	Tuesday, September 28th	Wed., September 29th	Thursday, Sept. 30th	Friday, October 1st
General	Taylor hosts X-Country run @ 1:00 pm - Lone Wolf Golf course		 “Orange Shirt Day”	<b>Truth &amp; Reconciliation Day</b> Statutory Holiday	<b>9:00-12:00</b> <b>Walk to Breakfast</b> (School staff and students only)
Activities			<b>12:20 - X-Country Running</b>		

### **Communication September 27-October 1st**

- **Thanks** to families ensuring they are following the **Daily Health Check** and keeping their children home when they are sick. The Daily Health check was updated last week and the new health check can be found at this link - <https://bit.ly/3odITi>
- **Thursday, September 30th** is a statutory holiday, "*National Truth and Reconciliation Day*"
  - **Orange Shirt Day** - We encourage students to wear orange on September 29th, in recognition of "National Truth and Reconciliation Day"
- **Daily Health Check** - has been updated and can be found at this link- <https://bit.ly/3odITi2> Our entrance posters will be replaced sometime this week.
- **Thanks to the District of Taylor for the "Walk to Breakfast"** invite. This year we are fortunate to be able to participate in the "Walk to Breakfast" on Friday, October 1st. The school will walk over and attend this event in small groupings (2 classes at a time). This year this event will not be open to the public or parents due to Health and Safety guidelines. We will share some photos with families following the event.
- Thanks to families for emailing or calling in **absences**. Whenever possible please email absences when possible to our school email, [taylorschool@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylorschool@prn.bc.ca) We are working on getting a voice mail system set up for the school, thanks for your patience!
- **Terry Fox Run** - Thanks to Mrs. Austin's class for organizing the Terry Fox Run and thanks for the donations from families. Families can check out the photos at this link - <https://bit.ly/3oavvua> Thanks to Mrs. McDonnell for the beautiful photos.
- **School Photo Day** is Monday, October 4th, there are no pre-order forms, following photo day, each student will receive a code and families will be able to order photos online. Photo retake day is October 27th.
- **Open House** - We will be hosting an Open house on Wednesday, October 6th between 6:00 and 7:00 pm. We will also be sharing a slideshow so that families can meet all our staff in a virtual manner. The Open House is an opportunity to see your child's classroom and meet their teacher. The following guidelines will be in place:
  - Only students of Taylor School and their parents/guardians can attend (no younger or older siblings that don't attend Taylor School).
  - All visitors must follow the visitor guidelines:
    - complete a daily health check, sign-in, wear a mask and sanitize/wash hands. See the visitor poster at the bottom of Tiger News.
  - We will have two Open House sessions to decrease the number of families in the school at one time. Between 6:00 and 6:25 families with the last names starting with A-M can attend and families with the last name starting with N-Z will attend between 6:30 and 7:00. When signing in at the outdoor sign-in stations please respect physical spacing. Families can begin the sign-in process at 5:50 pm. Looking forward to meeting our families!
- **X-Country Running** - The first District run will take place at the Lone Wolf Golf Course trail on **Monday, September 27th @ 1:00 pm**. Thanks in advance to Mrs. Austin and Melanie Rose for organizing this event, as well as the other community volunteers. Parents are welcome to attend; but they will need to stay in the spectator viewing area.

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### **Information from Previous Weeks**

- **Provincial Health & Safety updates** -
  - Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings - updated August 24th, 2020 <https://bit.ly/3mk3Hk0>
  - COVID 19 School Protocols District Administrators and Staff - <https://bit.ly/3jqYp6s>
  - K-12 Health Check - <https://bit.ly/3odITi>
- **Visitors** - At this time visitors are welcome but will need to wear a mask and sign in at the office. Please see the visitor poster for all the visitor guidelines that are posted on each entrance door and listed at the bottom of Tiger News.
- **Online Payment** - School District 60 is pleased to announce that starting in September 2021 there is the availability to make payments online via MyEducation BC Family Portal. This is a secure platform to pay for your child's school fees. Payments can be made using Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Visa Debit and Mastercard Debit.
  - Online payment Family Portal Information - <https://bit.ly/2Xf8JG4>

- **School Charges for 2021-2022** - <https://bit.ly/3ijxNnS>. Online payment will be available this year, more details to follow next week.
- **Consent forms** - Signed consent packages are due at the office. This year there will be a community consent permission form, which will allow students to go on walking field trips within the Taylor community. This form will be kept on file and will be current for this school year. Teachers will inform families of a walking field trip at least one day prior via email. Paper permission form must be returned to the school for all other field trips, verbal consent will not be accepted.
- **Allergy alerts** will be specific to each classroom and the types of allergies in each classroom will be shared in a confidential manner by each teacher to their families. We are not a peanut free school and will continue with our daily hand hygiene practices and no food sharing policy to keep students safe. As well, for students with severe allergies or other medical concerns all staff have access to student medical safety posters. If you have any questions please email [nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca](mailto:nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca)
- **Strong Start** will be running this year and this will be every Wednesday from 9:30-11:30 am. Thanks Miss Susanne! Families will need to follow visitor guidelines. See the poster at the bottom of Tiger News for more details. Please register at the District early learning site - [earlylearning@prn.bc.ca](mailto:earlylearning@prn.bc.ca)
- **Before and After School Care** - As part of a Kindergarten pilot project, Taylor families will have access to BASC programming this year. There are still some spots available for students in grades beyond just Kindergarten and the BASC services are set to start later this week or early the following week. Alysha Southam, the District BASC co-ordinator or Nancy Maxfield can be contacted for questions. Please see the information on the school district website, at the following link. If you are interested you will need to fill out the registration form at this link - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/programs/before-and-after-school-care/>
- **Volunteers and criminal record checks** - As per other school years, all volunteers will need to have a criminal record check completed. As September settles in, we will look at having volunteers closer to October. **CRC checks are valid for 5 years** and if you are unsure if your CRC is still good, you can contact the school office.
  - **PARENT -Volunteer CRC- Online** application <https://bit.ly/3lftF3g>
  - **Parent - Volunteer CRC - paper version** - This PDF paper version can be found on our school website @ <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/parents-students/parents/>
- **Taylor School Routines and Processes** - We are working on a slideshow for families that will be shared out next week with all our school routines and processes. As we settle into the school year, we will continue to update and share with families. A few routines have been listed below:
  - Morning and after school supervision - Students can be dropped off no earlier than 8:30 am and there is no after school supervision with the exception of late bus students. Students are welcome to stay on the playground after school with parent supervision.
  - Visitors are welcome, but all visitors must check in at the office and wear a mask.
  - We will be asking families and community visitors to enter via the playground doors and district staff to enter via the parking lot door. The visitor sign-in will be at the office. All visitors have to sign in at the office.
  - **End of the day student pick-up will be outside.**
  - Appointments will need to be made to set up meetings with teachers or the principal. Please call the school or email to set up meetings.
  - Please send a lunch that does not need to be heated, microwaves will not be available in classrooms for student use, due to Health and Safety guidelines.

### **PAC News**

- The next PAC meeting will be Wednesday, October 10th, at the school. The meeting will be held at the school, following visitor guidelines. The PAC Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/Taylor-Elementary-School-PAC-232359646821433>

	Monday, October 4th	Tuesday, October 5th	Wed., October 6th	Thursday, October 7th	Friday, October 8th
General	School Photo Day  Anne Roberts hosts District X-Country run @ 3:00 pm		6:00-7:00 pm - Open House		

	Monday, October 11th	Tuesday, October 12th	Wed., October 13th	Thursday, October 14th	Friday, October 15th
General	<i>Thanksgiving Monday - Statutory holiday</i>				

### Parent Resources & Links

- **RAZ kids** - <https://www.raz-kids.com/> - Some students can access this online reading program if their classroom is signed up. Students need a login user name and code.
- **EPIC** - <https://www.getepic.com/>
- **Taylor Tiger Song** - The lyrics can be found at this link - <https://bit.ly/3BHP802>
- **Splash Learning** - <https://www.splashlearn.com/features/parents>
- **Mathletics** - <https://login.mathletics.com/>
- **Open Learning** - <https://www.openschool.bc.ca/k12/>
- **Prodigy Math** - <https://www.prodigygame.com/main-en/>
- **ERASE** Bullying site - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase/bullying>
- Our new **EASE 'At Home'** activities are now live on our [EASE website](#).
- **WITS** is a program that teaches K-3 children to make safe and positive choices about peer conflict and **LEADS** teaches problem-solving strategies to help Grade 4-6 children deal with conflict and stay safe.
  - <http://bit.ly/2EyrL01>

### District Links:

- School District **calendar** information can be found at the following link - [https://www.prn.bc.ca/?page\\_id=5](https://www.prn.bc.ca/?page_id=5)
- **Bus Status** - link - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/district/facilities-transportation/>
- **Indigenous Education** - Information about Indigenous Education and the recently signed Local Education Agreements can be found on this site -
  - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/district/departments/indigenous-education/>



# StrongStart is Back.... Here's What You Need To Know

## New Families

If you are wanting to attend StrongStart this year and are not yet registered, you will need to:

- Go to our website [earlylearning.prn.bc.ca](http://earlylearning.prn.bc.ca) and download a registration form.
- Scan and email the completed form along with a copy of your child's Birth Certificate to the email of your neighbourhood centre.

Masks will be mandatory for all adults

**StrongStart will be Sign-In/Appointment for the time being. Facilitators will follow up with each family for scheduling**

## StrongStart Emails

Duncan Cran: [dcstrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:dcstrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

Robert Ogilvie: [rostrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:rostrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

Hudson's Hope: [hhstrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:hhstrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

Taylor: [taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

Buick Creek: [bcstrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:bcstrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

Prespatou: [presstrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:presstrongstart@prn.bc.ca)

## Returning Families

Please email the centre that you are wanting to attend with:

- Your name and child's name
- Phone number
- Email
- The days of the week that would work best for you.



**Taylor Elementary  
School Charges 2021-2022**

<b>Grades</b>	<b>School Supply Charge</b>	<b>Cultural Charge</b>	<b>Field Trip Charge</b>	<b>Ipad Charge</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Kindergarten</b>	\$45.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	None	\$65.00
<b>Grades 1-5</b>	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	None	\$70.00
<b>Grade 6</b>	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$30.00	\$100.00

- Some classes may also have an agenda charge of \$7.00. Those classes requiring an agenda will be notified by the teacher/office.



# Healthy Walk to Breakfast

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Friday, October 1st

Mayor and Council invite the children of Taylor to learn about physical activity and healthy eating with the annual Healthy Walk to Breakfast!

Students will walk from Taylor Elementary School to Taylor Community Hall for breakfast!

9am—12pm

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Provided by  
Mayor and Council  
&  
Cooked by  
Lone Wolf Golf Club







# ALL VISITORS



**PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR SCHOOL HEALTHY & SAFE**

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO...**

- ✓ **COMPLETE A DAILY HEALTH CHECK  
BEFORE ENTERING. IF YOU ARE  
DISPLAYING SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS -  
DO NOT ENTER**
- ✓ **WEAR A MASK WHEN INSIDE SCHOOL**
- ✓ **SANITIZE YOUR HANDS UPON ENTRY**
- ✓ **CHECK IN / OUT AT THE OFFICE**
- ✓ **REVIEW SD60 COMMUNICABLE  
DISEASE PREVENTION PLAN**  
( Located online [www.prn.bc.ca](http://www.prn.bc.ca) or at the office )
- ✓ **FOLLOW ALL SAFETY PROTOCOLS**

**SHOULD YOU REQUIRE A MASK WEARING EXCEPTION, PLEASE CONTACT  
THE OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS**