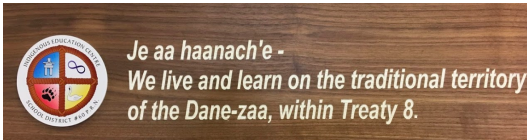


“Tiger News” - February 22-25

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“Go TIGERS!!!!”



“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

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

Taylor PAC: taylor.school.pac@gmail.com

K-12 Health Check - Daily Health Check -
[daily-health-check---jan-2022.pdf \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)

Please see the District website for any District updates - www.prn.bc.ca

School Routines and General Information - <https://bit.ly/2YC6fm1>

Taylor Hot Lunch - Online Ordering - taylor.hotlunches.net.

Monthly Taylor School calendar view - <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/calendar/calendar/>

	Monday, February 21st	Tuesday, February 22nd	Wednesday, February 23rd	Thursday, February 24th	Friday, February 25th
General	Family Day	Reading Challenge Week # 3 Log sheets due	Pink Shirt Day - Wear pink	Chopped Leaf	

Communication February 22-25

- We are encouraging **students to wear pink on Wednesday**, February 23rd, our focus being on kindness and lifting each other up! See the links below to learn more about Pink Shirt Day.
- **Thanks** to our families for completing the Daily Health check and keeping your children home when ill. Please continue to reference the updated Daily Health Check - [daily-health-check---jan-2022.pdf \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)
- **K-12 Ministry of Education & Health updates:**
 - Visitors are welcome as long as health and safety protocols are followed; check-in and out at the office, wear a mask, sanitize hands, and complete the health check. New posters will be put up on the entrances. See the latest entrance poster at the bottom of Tiger News.
 - The BC Ministry of Health has sent all schools rapid test kits for each student. These test kits will hold 5 tests and are meant to assist families with the [daily health check](#). Test kits will be sent home as soon as they arrive and will be in a sealed ziploc bag with your child's name on a label.
- End of day dismissal will continue to be outside, to ensure minimal interruptions to instructional time. Families are welcome on the playground and do not need to stay behind the fence.
- Meetings with teachers will need to be pre-booked as per our usual procedure, you can call the office or email to book a meeting.
- **PAC News - Fundraisers**
 - **Walkers Greenhouse 2022 Fundraiser** -
 - Order forms will go home February 22nd. Fundraiser runs until March 7th, 2022. Beautiful flower baskets. Thanks for your support.
 - **Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser** - Orders will be accepted until March 18th and can be picked up at the school on April 12th
 - Campaign Number 23529
 - <https://fundraising.purdys.com/9614-93788>
- **Taylor School Framework** - Thanks to Mrs. McDonnell, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Taillefer, and Mrs. Law for being part of the Taylor team for our Framework Board presentation. This was a great opportunity to share our school plan and celebrate our successes as well as our school goals. The slideshow is linked here and will be shared on our website - [Taylor School Framework 2021-2022](#)
- **Winter Olympics Reading Challenge** - A notice was sent home with students last week in regards to our **February Reading Challenge**. Please see the bottom of Tiger News for the letter and the reading log sheet. This information can also be found on our website at the following link - <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/event/reading-challenge-february-2022/>
 - **Reading Log sheets for week #3 are due February 22nd**, for the second tabulation of **home reading minutes** to your child's classroom teacher. Thanks Mrs. Frankham for organizing this event!
- Superintendent - February Report - Check this out! Taylor has a couple highlights in this report - [*https://togetherwelearn.prn.bc.ca/2022/02/18/superintendents-report-february-2022/](https://togetherwelearn.prn.bc.ca/2022/02/18/superintendents-report-february-2022/)
- **February Theme** - Every month we focus on the following themes, but this month leadership club and all students will enjoy more lessons in the following areas; Kindness - WITS - Anti-bullying, leading up to Pink Shirt Day on Wednesday, February 23rd.
 - Families can check out some of the links
 - ERASE Bullying - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase/bullying>
 - WITS - <http://bit.ly/2EyrL01>
- SD60 Schools are now accepting registrations for **Kindergarten for the 2022-2023 school year**. For more information on eligibility, how to register online, and what you need to register please see our [Register for School page](#). Please contact the school office if you need any assistance with Kindergarten registration.
- **Hot Lunch/Milk/Popcorn orders for March** - . You can send cash or cheque to the school or use the e-transfer taypayments@prn.bc.ca. Please when

sending an e transfer to the school at any time add to the message who and what it is for. This will help me attach the payment to the correct student. If you are receiving an "add password message" **STOP** and **do not send**. We are set up for direct deposit. Please contact the school for any questions.

Thank you! - Taylor Hot lunches - taylor.hotlunches.net.

- **Strong Start** is on **Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am**. Pre-registration is required and all safety protocols must be followed - please sign up at taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca
 - Do you have a child 0-5 but not in school yet? Try Strong Start. Strong Start is an effective pre-school program to support literacy and social skills. There is a qualified Early Childhood Educator on site to support learning and answer questions. A School District 60 partnership with your community. For more information contact, Suzanne Currie ECE Facilitator.
 - Strong Start Outreach - Taylor Elementary school - taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca - School number: 250-789-3323
- **Before and After School Care** -
 - There are spots available in this program. Please see the BASC information, including the fees, at the following link. If you have any questions about the Before and School Care you can reach out to the BASC co-ordinator or call the school - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/programs/before-and-after-school-care/>
- **"Before and After School Care is offering full day Spring Break Care**. We are only offering 60 spaces, and they are first come first served. The form will be closed once the spaces are filled. **The cost for the full day is \$40, or \$190 for the week**. Payment is required to secure your space. Parents are required to pack a morning snack and lunch to send with their child. Afternoon snack is provided.
 - Week One: (March 21-25): Neat Nature Week! We're going to get outdoors and do some different activities (weather permitting). Short walks around the neighborhood, nature based activities and games, and a field trip to Fish Creek!
 - Week Two: (March 28- April 1): Virtual Vacation! Kick back and relax this week while we explore places to go on vacation, build sandcastles and head to the pool!
- Hours are subject to change and will reflect the demand of the program. Currently, they are 7 am - 6 pm. For more information, please contact Alysha Southam, BASC Coordinator, at 250-264-7186 or basc@prn.bc.ca. "

Health and Safety Updates:

- Please ensure you are completing the **Daily Health Check** with your children each day prior to sending them to school. Parents can use the K-12 Daily Health Check update - <https://bit.ly/3GacVs3> This is also posted on the top of Tiger News in the right hand box for quick reference. There is an app as well that can be added to your phone. See the link for more information <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/mobile?lang=en>
- SD # 60 Updated District Communicable Disease Safety Plan and Continuity of Learning Plan - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/resources/covid-19/>
- Below are some important changes that will help to keep our schools open:
 - Masking - We appreciate parent support in the masking guidelines set out by the Ministry. Students in K-12 are required to mask, unless an exemption has been sent in. Please send your child with a mask, if you are unable to supply a mask, the school will supply a mask.
 - The mask exempt form can be found at this link - <https://forms.office.com/r/W3KgXSAtr>
- **Fees** - Thanks to all our families that have paid their school fees. We still have outstanding school fees that need to get settled. You can pay these in MyEd parent portal with a credit card, send cash or cheque and we will now accept e transfer. The office will be contacting families via a phone call if fees are unpaid. Please let us know if an error has been made and your school fees have been paid. You can send this e transfer to taypayments@prn.bc.ca. It will not ask for a password. If it does, do not send and contact the school instead. Thanks!

PAC News

- PAC meeting will be Wednesday, March 9th via Zoom - A Zoom link will be sent out via the PAC Facebook page the week of the meeting.
 - The PAC Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/Taylor-Elementary-School-PAC-232359646821433>

Taylor School Videos & Presentations:

- **Staff Introduction Slideshow** - <https://bit.ly/3i8p2vY>
- **School Routines and General Information** - <https://bit.ly/2YC6fm1>
- **Remembrance Day Assembly** - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=45_oi56ooo8
- **Taylor School Christmas Concert** - Check out our concert at the following link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=THs3wc3-v94>
- **Taylor School One of a Kind - Rik Leaf Video** - <https://youtu.be/Ddi0AgvWgRk>

	Monday, February 28th	Tuesday, March 1st	Wednesday, March 2nd	Thursday, March 3rd	Friday, March 4th
General	Non-instructional Day				
Activities					

	Monday, March 7th	Tuesday, March 8th	Wednesday, March 9th	Thursday, March 10th	Friday, March 11th
General	Walker's Greenhouse Fundraiser forms due	Tentative Worsley Ski Trip	4:15 - PAC meeting		

Activities					
Absences					

	Monday, March 14th	Tuesday, March 15th	Wednesday, March 16th	Thursday, March 17th	Friday, March 18th
General			1:47 - Early Dismissal	1:47 - Early Dismissal	Last day of school before Spring Break Purdy's Fundraiser due
Activities					

SPRING BREAK

	Monday, April 4th	Tuesday, April 5th	Wednesday, April 6th	Thursday, April 7th	Friday, April 8th
General					
Activities					

	Monday, April 11th	Tuesday, April 12th	Wednesday, April 13th	Thursday, April 14th	Friday, April 15th
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General					Good Friday
Activities					

Parent Resources & Links

- EPIC - <https://www.getepic.com/>
- 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/>
- Taylor Tiger Song - The lyrics can be found at this link - <https://bit.ly/3BHP802>
- 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.
- 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>
- Online Learning links - Please scroll to the bottom of Tiger News for some links that families could access this week as well as the district has a number of online learning options, see this link and scroll to the bottom of the page - [Online learning Parent Resources](#)

District Links:

- School District **calendar** information can be found at the following link -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/>



Winter Reading Olympics

During the month of February, all Taylor students, staff, and families are challenged to **GO FOR THE GOLD** by reading as much as they can. This also includes any Home Reading assigned by the classroom teacher as well as time adults (not siblings) read TO their children. The more time students spend reading (and listening), the better readers they will become... plus, the more they will be eligible for prizes, and of course, a chance to earn medals for their country (their class). There will be prizes for students who meet the bronze, silver, and gold goals, for students who read the most overall minutes, for classes with the highest medal count, and even a few random draws for those who remember to hand their slips in on time.

Attached are four Reading Log bookmarks, one for each week of the challenge. You may chose to cut off the first week and use it as a bookmark, or leave it attached and cut it off when the week is complete. Either way, be sure to record the minutes read (and read to) every day, tally the total minutes read for the week, and sign the bottom before returning it to school each Monday.

Students will receive medals for their class based on the weekly goals for their grade.



	<u>K - Grade 2</u>	<u>Grade 3-6</u>
Bronze	40-89	60-119
Silver	90-149	120-199
Gold	150+	200+



FAQ

If I read to more than one child can they both count the time? Yes!

Can participants earn minutes by listening to audio books? No!

Can children read ebooks? Older students can read novels on an eReader or tablet only if you are certain they are actually reading a book. Text messages, Facebook, and other social media DO NOT COUNT!

WEEK 1**Jan. 31 - Feb. 6**MON _____ *min*TUE _____ *min*WED _____ *min*THU _____ *min*FRI _____ *min*SAT _____ *min*SUN _____ *min*

TOTAL MINUTES READ

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*PARENT SIGNATURE***WEEK 2****February 7-13**MON _____ *min*TUE _____ *min*WED _____ *min*THU _____ *min*FRI _____ *min*SAT _____ *min*SUN _____ *min*

TOTAL MINUTES READ

_____
*PARENT SIGNATURE***WEEK 3****February 14-20**MON _____ *min*TUE _____ *min*WED _____ *min*THU _____ *min*FRI _____ *min*SAT _____ *min*SUN _____ *min*

TOTAL MINUTES READ

_____
*PARENT SIGNATURE***WEEK 4****February 21-28**MON _____ *min*TUE _____ *min*WED _____ *min*THU _____ *min*FRI _____ *min*SAT _____ *min*SUN _____ *min*

TOTAL MINUTES READ

_____
PARENT SIGNATURE



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION



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