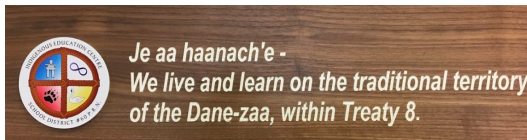


“Tiger News” - April 11-15

Taylor Elementary
Phone - 250-789-3323

Mrs. Nancy Maxfield - Principal
nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca

Mrs. Sarah Olson - Secretary
taylor@prn.bc.ca



“Playground Clean-up Crew!”

“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: taylorsschoolpac@gmail.com

K-12 Health Check - Daily Health Check -
[daily-health-check---jan-2022.pdf \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/keep_your_school_safe/daily-health-check-jan-2022.pdf)

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. Online payments - taypayments@prn.bc.ca

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

	Monday, April 11th	Tuesday, April 12th	Wednesday, April 13th	Thursday, April 14th	Friday, April 15th
General			4:15 - PAC meeting in the Maker Room	Chopped Leaf 2:25 - Lockdown Practice	Good Friday
Activities			Badminton - Grades 4, 5, 6 @ lunch		

Communication April 11-14

- **Welcome** to our new staff -
 - Ms. Shaydra Merwin has been hired for the Friday, Grade 4-5 teaching position.
 - Mrs. Nadine Harris had been hired as a new educational assistant.
- **Thanks** to all our weekly milk, hot lunch, and popcorn volunteers!
- **Morning Supervision & Drop-off time** -
 - In regards to morning and after-school supervision hours, we only have early morning and after-school supervision for bus students. Regular morning supervision for students who do not take a bus begins at **8:30 am**. After school, students are welcome to play on the playground with parental supervision. Students who don't take the late bus should head home at the 2:47 pm dismissal bell if parents are not supervising.
 - There is supervision available before and after school by accessing the Before and After School program. Please see the link below for information regarding the BASC program - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/programs/before-and-after-school-care/>
 - Please contact Mrs. Maxfield if you have an exceptional situation regarding morning drop-off. Thanks for your support!
 - Please see our Taylor School Routines and Processes Slideshow for more information regarding school routines. We will be updating this slideshow in relation to Health and Safety guidelines over the next couple of weeks. - <https://bit.ly/2YC6fm1>
- **Lockdown Practice** - We will be holding a lockdown practice on Thursday, April 14th @ 2:25 pm. Please see the letter at the following link for more information - <https://bit.ly/3LGJRL8>
- **Grade 4 Learning (Satisfaction) Survey** - Parents/guardians of Grade 4 students can complete this survey which provides feedback to our school to planning and improvement. Thanks in advance for completing the survey. <https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>
- **Toys & Pokemon Trading Cards** are not allowed at school, as we cannot look after students' extra personal belongings.
- **Your child is becoming a published author!** All classes are publishing a class book this year. Our students have been hard-at-work writing and illustrating a one-of-a-kind masterpiece!
 - I'm sharing the link below for you to **Pre-order any copies** of the book you'd like. It's not necessary to purchase, but I encourage you to check it out - our class has enjoyed working on our book together!
 - When you pre-order using the link below you can save up to \$3 on the purchase of your child's book copies and save on shipping because it comes to the school.
 - **Please be sure to pre-order a copy of your child's book by April 14th, 2022** to take advantage of these savings.
 - Simply go to www.studenttreasures.com/preorder
 - You'll love seeing your child's writing and illustrations captured in this treasured keepsake and watching their faces light up when they see this high-quality book of their work. This is an exciting opportunity to showcase our student's creativity! We are so excited to become published authors and to share our work with family and friends.
- **School Planning** - We are beginning to plan for the 2022-2023 school year. If you will not be attending Taylor Elementary next year, please let the office know. A letter will be emailed home in regards to school planning for the 2022-2023 school year. If you have a Kindergarten registration this needs to be completed as soon as possible.
 - 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.
 - If you have moved out of our catchment a **variance application** will need to be completed. Please see the District information on the variance process and call the school for more information - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/school-variances/>
- **K-12 Ministry of Education & Health updates:**
 - **Masks - Are no longer required in school settings**, but staff and students can choose to wear masks.
 - **All visitors need to check in at the office upon arrival.** If visitors/volunteers are staying for an extended period of time they need to sign in on a paper visitor form at the office. If you have an item to be delivered to your child's classroom please bring it to the office for delivery.

- End of day dismissal will continue to be outside on the playground, so there are no interruptions to instructional time.
- 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](#). **Rapid tests can be picked up at the school or upon request can be sent home with your child. Please either call the school or email to have the tests sent home.**
- **Hot Lunch/Milk/Popcorn orders for May - Hot lunch ordering for May opens on April 18th and closes on April 30th.** 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.

PAC News

- PAC meeting will be Wednesday, April 13th @ 4:15 at the school in the Maker Room -
- The PAC Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/Taylor-Elementary-School-PAC-232359646821433>

Parent Resources & Links *(Click on this to scroll down to these links)*

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.
- **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!
- **Taylor School Online Payments** - taypayments@prn.bc.ca - Please remember to add your child's name and what the payment is for, as we have payments coming in for multiple items/events - *Example* - "John Smith - Ski Trip" or "John Smith - Hot lunch March" Thanks for making this a smooth process.
- **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/>
 - 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. "
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Taylor School Videos & Presentations:

- [Taylor School Framework 2021-2022](#)
- **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, April 18th	Tuesday, April 19th	Wednesday, April 20th	Thursday, April 21st	Friday, April 22nd
General	Easter Monday Hot lunch ordering for May opens			Quiznos & Booster Juice	Non-instructional Day
Activities			Badminton - Grades 4, 5, 6 @ lunch		

April 18-22

- Happy Easter
- NID - Friday, April 22nd

	Monday, April 25th	Tuesday, April 26th	Wednesday, April 27th	Thursday, April 28th	Friday, April 29th
General				Taco in a bag	Hot lunch ordering closes on April 30th
Activities			Badminton - Grades 4, 5, 6 @ lunch	Class Photos	Badminton - Grades 4, 5, 6 @ lunch

	Monday, May 2nd	Tuesday, May 3rd	Wednesday, May 4th	Thursday, May 5th	Friday, May 6th
General				Subway & Edo	Non-Instructional Day - Indigenous Learning Day
Activities					

	Monday, May 9th	Tuesday, May 10th	Wednesday, May 11th	Thursday, May 12th	Friday, May 13th
General				Hotdog Day	Popcorn Day
Activities					

	Monday, May 16th	Tuesday, May 17th	Wednesday, May 18th	Thursday, May 19th	Friday, May 20th
General				Quiznos & Booster Juice	
Activities					

	Monday, May 23rd	Tuesday, May 24th	Wednesday, May 25th	Thursday, May 26th	Friday, May 27th
General	Victoria Day			Neveah's Pizza	

Activities					
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	Monday, May 30th	Tuesday, May 31st	Wednesday, June 1st	Thursday, June 2nd	Friday, June 3rd
General					District Track & Field Meet
Activities					

	Monday, June 6th	Tuesday, June 7th	Wednesday, June 8th	Thursday, June 9th	Friday, June 10th
General					
Activities					

	Monday, June 13th	Tuesday, June 14th	Wednesday, June 15th	Thursday, June 16th	Friday, June 17th
General					
Activities					

	Monday, June 20th	Tuesday, June 21st	Wednesday, June 22nd	Thursday, June 23rd	Friday, June 24th
General				Last day for students Dismissal @ 11:47 am	Administrative Day - staff only 1st day back - Tuesday, September 6th

					Have a great summer!
Activities					

	Monday, Sept. 5th	Tuesday, Sept. 6th	Wednesday, Sept. 7th	Thursday, Sept. 8th	Friday, Sept. 9th
General	Labour Day				
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.



Bronze
Silver
Gold

K - Grade 2

40-89
90-149
150+

Grade 3-6

60-119
120-199
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



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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