

## “Tiger News” - February 26 - March 1

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*“Willy Wonka Musical!”*



*“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/>

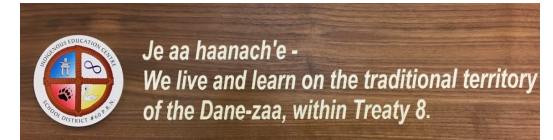
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### IMPORTANT LINKS

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

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

Taylor Hot Lunch - Online Ordering - [taylor.hotlunches.net](http://taylor.hotlunches.net).

Online payments - [taypayments@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taypayments@prn.bc.ca)

Tiger Spirit Wear - <https://latitude56custom.ca/taylor-tigers-spirit-wear/>

SD # 60 Bus Status - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/district/facilities-transportation/>

SD# 60 3 year calendar - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/district/district-calendars/>


Monday February 26

Tuesday February 27

Wed. February 28

Thursday February 29

Friday March 1

General		Siberian Tiger Pizza Lunch (sponsored by FSJ Literacy Society)	PINK SHIRT DAY  11:20 - Assembly  	Burger King  Hot Lunch ordering for March closes	Non-Instructional Day  Purdy Fundraiser due
Activities		12:00 Basketball Practice	2:45 - Basketball Practice	12:00 - Basketball Practice  Boys A team Basketball Tourney @ NPSS	

	Monday March 4	Tuesday March 5	Wed. March 6	Thursday March 7	Friday March 8
General				Subway & Edo	
Activities		12:00 Basketball Practice  B Basketball tourney @ ARYES			

### Communication - February 26 - March 1

- **Thanks** to all our Hot Lunch volunteers; Melanie Rose, Deb Campbell, Jodie Willeboordse, Emily Lafleur and Alexandra Cyr, who organize and deliver the hot lunches each Thursday!
- **Thanks** to all our student milk delivery volunteers!
- **Thanks** to Ecole Central for their wonderful musical performance of "Willy Wonka." All classes attended this event and it was funded by our cultural fee.
- **Winter weather** - Looks like we might get a blast of winter this week. Thanks to families for ensuring students have their winter gear. We will be outside on most days.
- **Worsley Ski Trip Update** - The Worsley Ski Trip is booked for **Tuesday, March 12th**. This trip is open to students in Grades 3-6. Please watch email and DOJO for more information. If parents have not attended a ski trip meeting this is a requirement as well as a high risk consent form process. We will be needing parents volunteers as well. **Please watch for the forms to come home this week.** Thanks to Mrs. McDonell for organizing this awesome school trip!
- **Pink Shirt Day** - Students are encouraged to wear pink on this day. We want to emphasize that every day at Taylor Elementary we practice the theme of Pink Shirt Day. Please see BC's ERASE site below for family resources from the Ministry of Education related to Respect and Safe Education. A few specific links are also included. The link to the Digitally Responsible document is aimed for students and families in the later elementary grades and into middle school. As well there are virtual sessions families can register for and attend.
  - **BC's ERASE (Expect Respect and Safe Education)** - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase>
    - ERASE Sessions for families - <https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session>
    - [Raising Digitally Responsible Youth](#) Document for families
- **PAC Fundraisers** -
  - Purdy's Fundraising forms went home last week. You can also order at the following link - <https://fundraising.purdys.com/> - **Orders must be submitted by March 1st, 2024**
    - Click join campaign
    - Our campaign number - **23529**
- **Kindergarten Registration** - Families can register online or in person at the school office - [Kindergarten Registration Information SD # 60](#)
- **Road Safety** - Just a reminder to students that when walking to and from the school to use the sidewalks, whenever possible. The ice will now be covered by snow and if slips occur on the roadway it can be dangerous.
- **February Superintendent Report** - Our reading challenge is in this report:  
<https://togetherwelearn.prn.bc.ca/2024/02/15/superintendents-report-february-2024/>
- **Basketball** - Thanks to Trevor McDonell for reffing the home basketball game last week. Thanks to Mrs. McDonell and Mrs. Browett for coaching basketball. Parents keep an eye on the basketball DOJO page. Bussing will be provided for away games to and from the game. All players are required

to sign and follow our [Taylor School Athletic Code of Conduct](#) The A boys Basketball tournament will be held on Thursday February 29th after school at NPSS. Please read the **District Elementary Sports spectator expectations** - <https://bit.ly/3ONWxUt>

- **Hot Lunch** - **Hot lunch ordering for March opens on February 16th and closes on February 29th.** Families with outstanding payment on hot lunch orders will not be able to order until their account is paid. Thanks to families for prompt payment of their account.
  - [Taylor School Hot Lunch Letter](#)
  - [taylor.hotlunches.net](http://taylor.hotlunches.net).
- **Library** - There will be another Scholastic Book Fair prior to Spring break - **March 11-15**
- For information about all our **School routines and processes** please view this slideshow - <https://bit.ly/2YC6fm1>
  - Please ensure your hot lunch account is paid, if not you will be unable to order for February.
- **Supervision** - There is supervision @ 8:00 am for **bus students only**. The rest of the students can arrive around 8:30 am. Students attending breakfast will still receive breakfast @ 8:30. Our first bell rings at **8:43**. All students except bus students should be picked up or be walking home by 3:00 pm. Our dismissal bell rings at **2:45** pm. Thanks for respecting our supervision guidelines, for any exceptional situations, please reach out to Mrs. Maxfield by phone or email ([nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca](mailto:nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca)).
- **DOJO Communication** - Mrs. Maxfield does not check DOJO regularly for messages about attendance and pick-ups, please call the school or email the school - [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca)
- **Thanks** to our families, who have paid their school fees, invoices were sent home and next week we will be following up with a phone call. Please pay your remaining school fees as soon as possible.
  - **School Fees/Charges** - can be paid via MYED or taypayments as well as by cheque.
    - **Online Payment for school fees via MYED** - 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>
    - **Taylor School Online Payments** - School fees can also be paid via etransfer - [taypayments@prn.bc.ca](mailto: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 - School Fees" or "John Smith - Hot lunch March" Thanks for making this a smooth process.
- The **BASC (Before School Care Program)** is a paid program SD # 60 program that provides care prior to 8:30 am and after school. Please see the following link for more information and pricing.
  - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/programs/before-and-after-school-care/>
- Please email the school at [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca) if you cannot reach the school by phone. Absence messages and general inquiries can also be sent to this email.
- **Framework for Enhancing Student Learning** (School Plan) - Our school Framework can be found on our website at the following link. We will continue to update our goals throughout the school year.
  - <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/our-school/taylor-framework-for-enhanced-student-learning/>

- The PAC Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/Taylor-Elementary-School-PAC-232359646821433>

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

	Monday March 11	Tuesday March 12	Wed. March 13	Thursday March 14	Friday March 15
General	Scholastic Book Fair	Worsley Ski Trip	Learning Updates go home.  1:45 - Early Dismissal	Nevaeh's Pizza  1:25 - Lockdown practice 1:45 - Early Dismissal	Last day before Spring break
Activities					

**Enjoy your Spring Break!**

	Monday April 1	Tuesday April 2	Wed. April 3	Thursday April 4	Friday April 5
General	Easter Monday	First Day back			
Activities					

	Monday April 8	Tuesday April 9	Wed. April 10	Thursday April 11	Friday April 12
General					
Activities					

	Monday April 15	Tuesday April 16	Wed. April 17	Thursday April 18	Friday April 19
General					
Activities					

	Monday April 22	Tuesday April 23	Wed. April 24	Thursday April 25	Friday April 26
General					
Activities					

	Monday April 29	Tuesday April 30	Wed. May 1	Thursday May 2	Friday May 3
General	NID				
Activities					

	Monday May 6	Tuesday May 7	Wed. May 8	Thursday May 9	Friday May 10
General					NID
Activities					

	Monday May 13	Tuesday May 14	Wed. May 15	Thursday May 16	Friday May 17
General					
Activities					

	Monday May 20	Tuesday May 21	Wed. May 22	Thursday May 23	Friday May 24
General	Victoria Day				
Activities					

	Monday May 27	Tuesday May 28	Wed. May 29	Thursday May 30	Friday May 31
General					<i>Saturday June 1st - Pizza party @ Nancy's house</i>
Activities					

	Monday June 3	Tuesday June 4	Wed. June 5	Thursday June 6	Friday June 7
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<b>General</b>					<b>District Track and Field Meet</b>
<b>Activities</b>					

	<b>Monday June 10</b>	<b>Tuesday June 11</b>	<b>Wed. June 12</b>	<b>Thursday June 13</b>	<b>Friday June 14</b>
<b>General</b>					
<b>Activities</b>					

	<b>Monday June 17</b>	<b>Tuesday June 18</b>	<b>Wed. June 19</b>	<b>Thursday June 20</b>	<b>Friday June 21</b>
<b>General</b>					
<b>Activities</b>				<b>Grade 6 Farewell Dinner</b>	

	<b>Monday June 24</b>	<b>Tuesday June 25</b>	<b>Wed. June 26</b>	<b>Thursday June 27</b>	<b>Friday June 28</b>
<b>General</b>		<b>Peace Island Park</b>		<b>Last Day for students</b> <b>Learning Updates go home</b>	<b>Last day for staff</b>



				11:45 - Dismissal	
Activities					

### **Taylor School General Information**

- **Before and After School Care** - If you are interested in Before and or After School Care please contact the BASC co-ordinator.
  - There are spots available in this program. Please see the BASC information, including the fees, at the following link.  
 \*<https://www.prn.bc.ca/programs/before-and-after-school-care/>
    - For more information, please contact Susanne Currie, BASC Coordinator, at 250-264-7186 or [basc@prn.bc.ca](mailto:basc@prn.bc.ca).
- **Before and After School Supervision** - If families need before and after school care please see the BASC information below.
  - Morning supervision begins @ **8:30 am** with the exception of early bus students
  - There is no after school supervision, with the exception of late bus students.
  - Students need to head home after school but are welcome to stay with parent supervision
  - When checking out your child early, please call the office or stop by the office. The office will page your child down to the office or we can send them out to you.
  - We ask families to wait outside for their child/children at 2:45 pm dismissal. This ensures a smooth dismissal process.
    - Families are welcome to join students on the playground at the end of the day.
- **Taylor School Online Payments** - [taypayments@prn.bc.ca](mailto: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.
- **Communication with the office and Mrs. Maxfield** - When families need to contact either our office staff or Mrs. Maxfield, they can call the school or email Mrs. Maxfield or our Taylor School email for general inquiries.
  - [nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca](mailto:nmaxfield@prn.bc.ca) - Mrs. Maxfield
  - [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca) - Taylor Office
- **DOJO** - Mrs. Maxfield is both a teacher and a principal and you will see posts by Mrs. Maxfield in the classes she teaches and on the School Story. Mrs. Maxfield does not check DOJO daily, so if you would like to reach her please call or email. Thanks!
- **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) **Please ensure the office and classroom teacher is informed of any severe allergies.**
  - An allergy alert poster will also be posted in the classroom for any visitors to the school.
- **Strong Start** is on **Wednesday mornings at 9:15 am**. Pre-registration is required and all safety protocols must be followed - please sign up at [taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto: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, Ashley True, ECE Facilitator.
  - Strong Start Outreach - Taylor Elementary school - [taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taystrongstart@prn.bc.ca) - School number: 250-789-3323

- **Thanks** to all our families for either calling the school or using the [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca) for sending absence messages.
- **Tiger Spirit Wear** - Latitude 56 is open ordering for Tiger Spirit Wear on September 22nd and the ordering window will close on October 3rd. We will do another ordering window before the Christmas break.
  - [Taylor Tiger Spirit Wear - Latitude 56](#)
- **Spirit Wear Order** - Families can place orders at anytime using the link below:
  - [Taylor School Tiger Spirit Wear Letter](#)
  - <https://latitude56custom.ca/taylor-tigers-spirit-wear/>
- **Office Updates:**
  - **Please ensure when sending etransfers** that in the memo section you put your name and what the payment is for, as it is challenging for office staff if this is not included.
  - Thanks to families for calling or emailing when your children are absent. There may be times when the phone is not answered if our secretary hours have not started and Mrs. Maxfield is not at the office. Absence emails can be sent to [taylor@prn.bc.ca](mailto:taylor@prn.bc.ca) as well.
- **Volunteers** are always welcome at our school. If you are interested in volunteering at the school or coaching a team, please contact the office. All volunteers are required to have a current criminal records check completed prior to commencing any activities with students. Please contact the office for further information. A volunteer CRC is good for 5 years.
  - PARENT -Volunteer CRC- online application <https://bit.ly/3lTF3g>
  - Parent - Volunteer CRC - paper version - This PDF paper version can be found on our school website <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/parents-students/parents/>
- **District 3 year calendar** - The 3 year calendar has been approved and can be found at this link - <https://www.prn.bc.ca/district/district-calendars/>
- **TIGER NEWS - INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS** Archived newsletters by the week can also be viewed on our school website at the following link - <https://taylor.prn.bc.ca/newsletters/> (This link is also at the top of Tiger News in the right hand box)

### Parent Resources & Links

- **EPIC** - <https://www.getepic.com/>
- [Taylor School Athletic Code of Conduct](#)
- **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>
- [Parent Reporting Information](#)
- **ERASE** Bullying site - <https://alpha.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase/bullying>
- **Home Reading Tips for Parents** - <https://bit.ly/3PC05bx>

- 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)
- **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/>