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Tumbler Ridge Elementary

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## Tumbler Ridge Elementary September/October Newsletter 2021

### IMPORTANT DATES

**September 30:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation **(no school)**

**October 11:** Thanksgiving Day

**October 22:** NID DAY

**October 25:** Picture Re-Takes

### Office Calls

In an effort to help Mrs. Dell at the office, it would be helpful if you planned with your child or children ahead of time about what they are doing after school. Often times, the office has anywhere from 10-15 messages to try to get to students within a span of 5 minutes as parents call 'just to remind them'. We understand that emergencies and changes come up so there is an absolute need for messages to be delivered, however, if non-emergency calls could be kept to a minimum, that would be extremely helpful!

### Morning Drop-Off

We have been noticing that students have been arriving quite early in the mornings. We do not have supervision on the playground until 8:40, so please do not send students until then.

**We have also noticed that during drop-off that some people have been using our STAFF PARKING on the side closest to Monkman Way. Please refrain from parking there. Some support workers do not start until 9:00 and there should be a spot open for them.**

### SPIRIT WEEK

**Monday Oct 25:** Hoodie Day

**Tuesday Oct 26:** Western Day

**Wednesday Oct 27:** Black, Orange, Purple Day

**Thursday Oct 28:** Silly Hair Day

**Friday Oct 29:** Halloween Costume Day

### New Staff at T.R.E.

We would like to welcome Amanda Skarra, Vadah Katnich, Amanda Coonce, Amanda Blok, and Denise Barton to our staff this year!

### T-Shirt Flash Sale!

We will be selling our older House Colour T-shirts for \$5.00/each. These are the ones with our old logo on them. We have limited stock and it will be first come, first serve. We will accept cash or e-transfer for payment. Contact Mrs. Dell for sizes available.



Please remember that if your child is going to be absent, we need to hear from you. You either need to call the school at (250) 242-5281 or email: [cdell@sd59.bc.ca](mailto:cdell@sd59.bc.ca)

## CHANGE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION?

If anything has changed regarding your personal information, **please inform the secretary**. It is important we keep everything up to date in case of emergencies or if we need to contact you about your child(ren).

## ROAD SAFETY

Please remind your child/ren about road safety. We have had a few calls from concerned parents about students that are not crossing the road safely. Children have been seen running or riding their bikes across the street without looking for any vehicles. We do not want to see anyone getting hurt.

## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The **Parent Advisory Council** group consists of parents from both schools.

**Due to Covid-19, PAC will be having zoom meetings.** Please follow their Facebook page "Tumbler Ridge Parent Advisory Council-PAC." For the most current information about the committee.

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## Microwaves

Just another reminder, we do not have any microwaves in the classrooms at this time. Please send your child with food that does not require heating to be eaten ex. Pizza Lunchables

## Water Bottles

**Due to Covid-19, we do not have active water fountains in the school. Please send your child/ren with a labelled water bottle so they can have something to drink throughout the school day.**



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## Just a Reminder

**Parents/Guardians are asked to remain out of the building for the time being. Please call the school if you need to talk to a teacher.**

**Sometimes our doors are unlocked at breaks so children can use the washroom. Please knock on the office window or call the school if you need to talk to someone in the building.**

## BAND-AIDS/KLEENEX

We are always in need of Spoons, Kleenex and Band-Aids.

If you would like to donate either of these items it would be appreciated!!!

## HAND LOTION

We have noticed that student's hands get dry and crack from all the sanitizing through-out the day. If you would like, please send them with a labelled bottle of hand lotion.

## Bikes and Scooters

Please remind students that they are to walk their bikes and scooters on school property. Bikes and scooters should also be locked at the bike rack when students are in school.

We are not responsible for bikes and scooters that may go missing.

## PARKING LOT

With student safety in mind, please consider helping us to make the parking lot at the school less congested.

1) If you have a child in either **Mrs. Katnich's, Ms. Cotelo's, Mrs. Murray's, or Miss Bauer's** class, please use the cul-de-sac by the big play structure to help spread out the traffic and for the safety of your children.

2) **"MAIN PARKING LOT"**, we need parents to pull into a spot and park. By "parking" your vehicle to let your child out rather than driving through the parking lot and letting them jump out, this will prevent others from inadvertently backing up without seeing someone being dropped off.

**If you want your child to wait in the vehicle with you until the bell goes, do not use the main parking lot.** This is for drop off purposes not for sitting there and taking up a space. Use Willow Street or the cul-de-sac off of Spruce Street if you need to wait for the bell to go.

3) **"DRIVE THROUGH"** drop off and pick up **OPTIONS:**

Please use the **cul-de-sac off Spruce Street**, which is by the new playground, close to the trailer park or **"Willow Street"** on the side closest to the school.

4) **Monkman Way is not the safest spot to pick up or drop off your child, even if it is more convenient. Please find a different option.**

Please discuss the options with your child so they know where you will be.

**STAFF PARKING is on the side closest to Monkman Way. Please refrain from parking there. Some support workers do not start until 9:00 and there should be a spot open for them.**

**Crosswalks—please remind your children to cross at the end of streets rather than 'j-walk'. Drivers are not expecting children to cut across our streets.**

