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Tumbler Ridge Elementary

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December Newsletter 2021

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Dec 1-8:** Food Bank Drive: House Colour Challenge.

**Dec 7 & 8:** Parent/Teacher Interviews: Students dismissed at 1:30 both days.

**Dec 13-17:** Spirit Week

**Dec 20:** First Day of Winter Vacation

**Jan 4:** First Day Back After Winter Vacation

## December Spirit Week

**Monday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>** – Red, Green, White Day

**Tuesday Dec 14<sup>th</sup>** – Dress like a Christmas Character or object

**Wednesday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Sweater/ Shirt Day

**Thursday Dec 16<sup>th</sup>** – Formal Day (Dress in your best clothes)

**Friday Dec 17<sup>th</sup>** - PJ/Slipper Day

## Food Bank Drive: House Colour Challenge

Our house colour groups will compete in collecting the most items for the food bank. If you would like, you can send in new toys, toiletries, or non-perishable food items. We will be accepting donations from Dec 1 – Dec 8.

## Out of Country Travel Protocol

If you are travelling outside of Canada, any children under 12 years of age who are unvaccinated **cannot attend school for 14 days upon arrival back in Canada**, this is regardless of any COVID-19 test results.

Fully vaccinated individuals may return to school.

## Masks

With the new mask mandate, students from K-6 are required to wear a mask at school. We do have masks for students that forget one at home however, students are relying on this day to day. Please ensure that your child/ren have reusable masks that they can wear as this will help limit the amount we are going through each day.



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)

## 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.

## BANDAIDS/ 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.

## 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. 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!

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## 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.

## 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).

## T-Shirt Flash Sale!

We are trying to clear out some older style t-shirts, so we are selling our older House Colour T-shirts for \$5.00/each. These are the ones with our old logo on them. We will accept cash or e-transfer for payment. Contact Mrs. Dell for sizes available.

## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Parent Advisory Council group consists of parents from both schools. Please follow their Facebook page "Tumbler Ridge Parent Advisory Council-PAC." For the most current information about the committee.

## WATER BOTTLES

A reminder that students need to be bringing a water bottle to school each day. Due to Covid, we do not have our water fountains available, and students do become quite thirsty.



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## UPCOMING STEM PROJECT

Part of our learning in science and math this year will involve STEM projects. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. Students will put their problem-solving skills to the test as they plan and construct solutions to various STEM challenges.

In order for the students to complete these activities, they will need a LOT of recycled materials. You can help by sending in any of the materials listed below. Please send them to school in a bag labeled "STEM". All materials must be empty and completely clean and dry.

- Newspaper
- Styrofoam
- Cardboard (such as cereal boxes..easy to cut)
- Empty Containers (such as yogurt, butter, berry baskets)
- Bubble Wrap
- Brown Paper Grocery Bags
- Empty Toilet and Paper Towel Rolls and other cylinders
- Egg cartons

**Mrs. Tobin and Mrs. Coonce are looking for Pringles containers with lids. If you have any, please send in with your student.**

**We will be needing these items the first week in December.**

**We thank-you in advance for your support.**

## Remembrance Day Art

**Check out the beautiful artwork our students made in honour of Remembrance Day!!**



Ms. Bauer's Class





Ms. Coonce's Class



Ms. Skarra's Class



Mrs. Tobin's Class

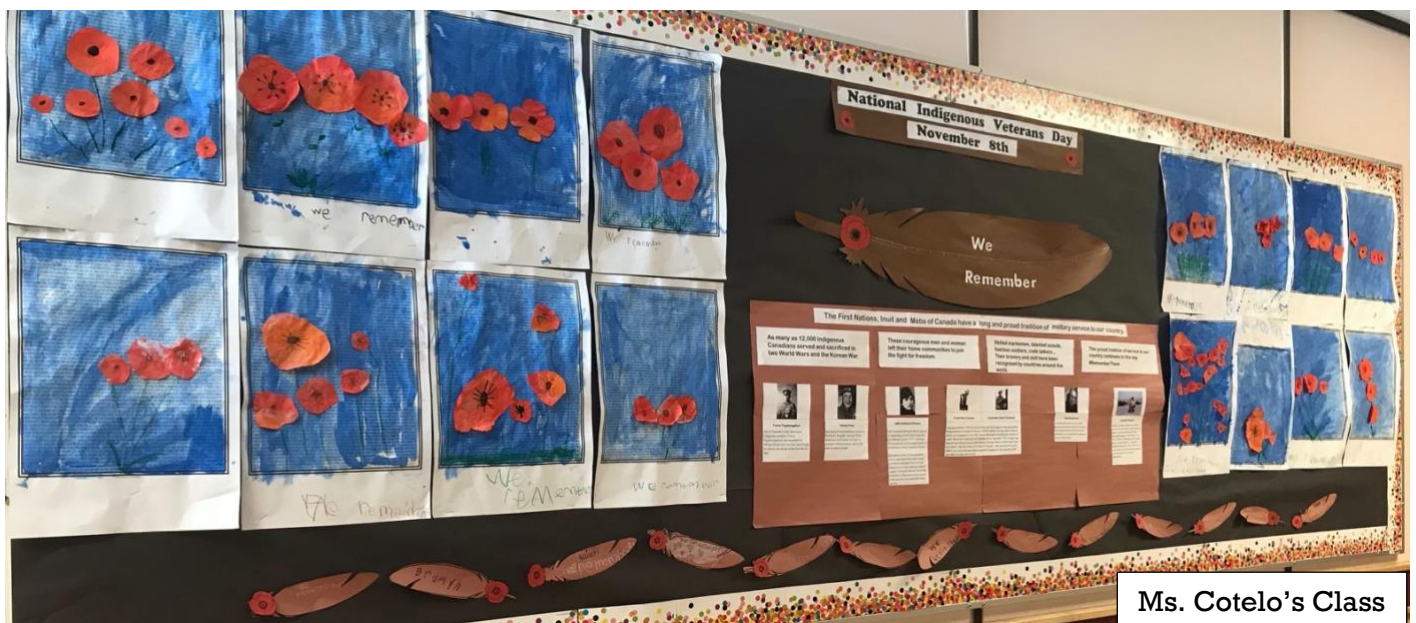




Mrs. Katnich's Class



Ms. Leuze's Class



Ms. Cotel's Class