



Tecumseh Elementary School

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The Last Hurrah!

So Long—Farewell

It is always with a heavy heart, packed full of best wishes for the future, that we say goodbyes to students, colleagues and community members taking leave of Tecumseh Elementary School. We wish our Grade 7 students well as they embark on the next leg of their educational journey in the secondary school setting. We wish all families who have moved to other parts of the city or other metro areas the very best.

This year, Ms. Crimp, Ms. Furnell, Ms. Scott and Mr. Webber will be taking leave of Tecumseh, to work at other schools. We wish them much personal and professional success.

In addition to our staff who will be moving on to new school settings, we wish to congratulate, Ms. Therrien, our amazing Youth and Family Worker and Ms. Jang, our long-time colleague and pillar of our Primary Team on having made the happy decision to retire at the end of this school year. We thank them for their contributions to the Tecumseh community. We wish them health and happiness and we will miss them dearly.

Thank You!

We thank you for your continued support of the work we do here at Tecumseh. Together, we have been able to come together as a community and work together to address the needs of our students and their families. We thank you for your words of encouragement as we have navigated a very challenging few months!

We wish to thank our PAC, who works tirelessly on behalf of everyone. We thank the PAC Executive and the Pizza Lunch Coordinators who have given so much time to the school. Our thanks are indeed heartfelt.

Tecumseh School Logo Redesign!

Earlier this school year, Mr. Webber, our Vice Principal, introduced an initiative for students to provide input to redesign Tecumseh Elementary School's logo! We had an assembly where students were introduced to the idea, the design criteria and they were encouraged to submit their designs for consideration. Following the shortlist of 5 student generated designs, each class was given copies of the designs to provide constructive feedback (e.g. I like the design of the hawk, I like the Tecumseh feather, etc.).

The student feedback was provided to Kurtis Findlay, former Tecumseh Main and Annex parent and professional graphic designer, who incorporated favourite elements of the designs into one, cohesive logo!

We present to you, a collaboratively created new Tecumseh Logo:



Thank you, Mr. Findlay, for the time and effort you voluntarily put into creating a long lasting logo for our school. Your effort and support for our school communities is very much appreciated!

Thank you, also, to the PAC, for their financial support of new sports teams jerseys for our students who train and compete as representatives of our school! Our students will wear the new team jerseys with pride!

What's Coming?

School Fees (reminder):

Once classes are settled, notices of school fees will be issued. Please do not send any money before you receive the notice. **No child will be denied required supplies or activities because of financial hardship.** You can anticipate:

- General Supply Fee of \$35.00 per student (paper, writing tools, glue sticks, erasers, exercise books, art supplies, etc.)
- With the exception of some early primary classes, students will be charged \$5.00 for a Tecumseh Student Planner
- A Performance fee of \$5.00. Our PAC subsidizes the fees we collect, which enables us to provide performance opportunities for our students
- Some classes use drawing books for visual journal project work (around \$8.00). Students take this book home at the end of the year
- Students in Kindergarten and new students to primary grades are charged for a Tecumseh Book Bag (\$8.00)
- Field studies are determined throughout the school year at the classroom level

- Grade 6 Camp: An information night is typically held in October (we will need to wait for Provincial Health Office guidelines)

If you have not signed up for the **Cash On-Line system**, please consider doing so.

Here is more information regarding the Cash On-Line system:

*As of September 2019, **School Cash Online** will be available for parents at Tecumseh Elementary School. With School Cash Online, you will be able to pay school fees, fees for planners and field trips etc. online, using credit cards or electronic cheques.*

*To register with **School Cash Online**, click on the "**Pay Fees**" button at the top of our home page (<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/tecumseh/Pages/default.aspx>). You will be redirected to the website where you can set up your account. Once you are successfully registered you will receive email notifications for all school related events or items that can be paid for using this convenient and secure, on-line service.*

*This tool will make the paying of fees faster and safer and free up your child/ren from having to remember bring forms and money to school. **In addition, should a refund need to be issued to you, it can be done electronically thereby getting the funds back into your hands quickly and efficiently.***

Tecumseh Elementary School Bell Schedule 2020—2021

<i>Periods</i>	<i>Monday—Friday</i>
Warning Bell (come into the school and head to class)	8:55 am
Instruction Begins	9:00 am
Recess	10:30—10:45 am
Lunch	12:00—12:47 pm
Dismissal	3:00 pm

Main Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

IMPORTANT:

Please note the *new* start/end times for Recess for the 2020—2021 School Year. The Lunch break will remain unchanged.

Up-to-date Information from the District

Please continue to check the following websites for up-to-date information from the VSB:

- [Vancouver School Board](#)
- [Vancouver School Board: Covid-19 Updates](#)
- [Vancouver School Board: Continuity of Learning](#)
- [Vancouver School Board's YouTube Channel](#)
- [Ministry of Health BC](#)
- [Ministry of Education BC](#)

And finally.....

A very big thank-you to Ms. Prior for her work putting together a fun video project for you to enjoy with your child(ren). A very special shout-out to Christabel (former staff member at Tecumseh) for lending her beautiful voice to the soundtrack.

Here is a link to the video project. Enjoy!

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JNjPcFiQAt2ZXT_vENXuMyPyse7A-YDN/view?usp=sharing

We miss you and wish you a wonderful summer break full of fun experiences and lasting memories.

Thank you for your continued support of us and our work.

Sincerely,

Mr. V. Edwards
Principal