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## T.M. Roberts Elementary School

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**"Reading** aloud with **children** is known to be the single most important activity for building the knowledge and skills they will eventually require for learning to **read.**"

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### School Supplies

Most of our Primary classrooms have ordered student school supplies in bulk. Once all of the items arrive, the office will then issue an invoice to you. You should see these invoices come home by the end of September.

Most of our Intermediate classrooms had lists available for parents to purchase school supplies. There is also a website where you can order the entire kit off called School Start. We've heard positive feedback from parents so far. Here is the link for our school's kits:

<https://schoolstart.ca/school/2143> The company suggests that their site is best viewed with Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome.

### Munch-a-Lunch / Hot lunch

Our PAC has a hot lunch fundraiser, twice a month. To order lunch for your kids, you can visit this [link](#), click on and register for a Munch-a-lunch account. All of the hot lunch dates are already set up and you can order and pay for the whole year or one lunch at a time. To get set up, you will need a credit card and know which class your child is in.

**If you're having problems with the Munch-a-lunch website or if you need help ordering please contact Somer @ [somey dawn@yahoo.ca](mailto:somey dawn@yahoo.ca)**

If you want to pay cash, you can do so by putting the order and money in a ziplock bag with your child's name, grade and teacher on it and deposit it in the red PAC mailbox at the front entrance of the school.



#### September 12

PAC Meeting, 6:30 in the library

#### September 14

Kindergarten Tea 9:00 am

#### September 21

Professional Development,  
students do not attend.

#### September 26

Open House 5:00 – 6:00 and  
Book Fair until 7:30

#### September 27

PAC Hot Lunch  
CPF Meeting, 6:30 AGM to follow

**Students will still need a morning snack on Hot Lunch days. The deadline to order is a week before the Hot Lunch date.**

We are always looking for adult volunteers to help us get the food organized and delivered to the classrooms quickly. If you have 15 minutes to spare on the Hot Lunch days, we'd love to have your help! You can sign up for specific classrooms here: <https://www.volunteersignup.org/4KL7Y>

Menus Available:
09/27 (Thu) - Subs and Smoothies
10/11 (Thu) - Hot Shots
10/25 (Thu) - Pizza Day
11/08 (Thu) - Boston Pizza
11/22 (Thu) - Soul Food
12/13 (Thu) - Pizza Day
01/10 (Thu) - Hot Shots
01/24 (Thu) - Boston Pizza
02/14 (Thu) - Subs and Smoothies
02/28 (Thu) - Pizza Day
03/14 (Thu) - Soul food
04/11 (Thu) - Subs and Smoothies
04/25 (Thu) - Boston Pizza
05/09 (Thu) - Soul Food
05/23 (Thu) - Hot Shots
06/13 (Thu) - Pizza and Smoothies

## PAC Meeting

Join us for the next PAC meeting and AGM! Wednesday, September 12 @ 6:30pm in the library. Come and find out what PAC is all about! There are positions available if you are interested in getting involved and it's a great way to find out more about what's happening at the school!

## Canadian Parents for French:

The next CPF meeting will be held in the TM Roberts Library Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm with the Annual General Meeting to follow. If you would like to attend via telephone, please contact Shanda at [shandaf@shaw.ca](mailto:shandaf@shaw.ca).

## Parlauff

This is a long-standing TM tradition that's kind of hard to understand until you see it for yourself. We invite all of the Cranbrook Elementary schools to our field for a 9-person relay race. The dates for this year are September 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30. Each of the 9 members will start at different points of the field, running sprints of around 50 m, passing a baton to their next team mate. Other schools only send in 1 team, but since we host we will have a team organized for each of the

dates. Our grade 4, 5 and 6 teachers are working on selecting the teams and the dates they will run. The grade 6 students always begin the race. More information will come home with the athletes that are participating.

We are looking for volunteers for each of the 9 exchange stations. If you are available on any of these days from 3:15 – 4:15 (at the latest) please email [Carissa.hart@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:Carissa.hart@sd5.bc.ca).

## New Student Information

If any of your child's medical, address, parent email and/or phone number information has changed over the summer, please contact the office with your new information.

## Open House / Book Fair

Our school's open house will be on September 26<sup>th</sup>. This is an opportunity for students to introduce their parents to their classrooms and their new teachers. The Book Fair takes place in the gym, a favourite event for many students!

## Terry Fox Run

Our school is participating in the annual Terry Fox Run on September 27<sup>th</sup>. This will be our 15<sup>th</sup> year participating in the event. Terry's original call for every Canadian to donate \$1 has been answered over 730 million times.

All students will walk a 2.5 km loop. Parents are welcomed to participate in this event and help supervise – the more eyes the better! We will gather in the gym at 9:30 to learn about Terry Fox and then leave from there.

If you would like to fundraise for the organization there will be paper copies of the forms in the office to pick up. Alternatively you can follow this link to fundraise online:

<http://www.terryfox.org/schoolrun/students/>

## Orange Shirt Day – September 28<sup>th</sup>

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of [Phyllis' story](#) of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

The date was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying policies for the coming school year. It also gives teachers time to plan events that will include children, as we want to ensure that we are passing the story and learning on to the next generations.

**Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and**

communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

Students are welcomed to wear an orange shirt on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

## A note from the Librarian

Welcome back! I hope some students read over the summer! If your child kept track, please have reading logs back to school by Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>! There will be prizes for those who chose to participate.

### BOOK FAIR!

This year our English book fair will be held on the same night as our Open House, September 26<sup>th</sup>. This is a great fundraiser for our library and the support in the past has been amazing. As a lead up to the Book Fair, there will be draws for "Golden Tickets". These tickets are worth \$10.00 at the Book Fair. Students do not need to enter to win, I draw from the school list of students. Our French Book Fair will be sometime during the week of parent-teacher interviews.

### BOOK DONATIONS

The library will always accept donations of books that are slightly used. If we cannot use them in our collection, I take them to Pages and trade them for books we are needing. Any donations can be dropped off at the library from Monday-Thursday, during school hours.

Janice Mayer

Teacher-Librarian

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Thank you to our PAC for welcoming the Parents and Teachers back to school with coffee and tea! It was much appreciated on a chilly, fall morning.

## Month at a Glance

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Date	Event
<b>Sept. 12</b>	PAC Meeting 6:30 pm AGM to follow
<b>Sept. 14</b>	Kindergarten Tea 9:00 am
<b>Sept. 18</b>	Parlauff 3:30 pm
<b>Sept. 20</b>	Parlauff 3:30 pm
<b>Sept. 21</b>	Pro-D Day Students do not attend
<b>Sept. 25</b>	Parlauff 3:30 pm
<b>Sept. 26</b>	Open House 5 - 6 pm Book Fair 5:00 – 7:30 pm
<b>Sept. 27</b>	Terry Fox Run Hot Lunch Subway/Booster Juice Smoothies Parlauff 3:30 pm CPF Meeting, 6:30 pm
<b>Sept. 28</b>	Orange Shirt Day

