

Welcome Back Newsletter

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Welcome! ki?su?k kyukyit Bienvenue!

Parking with Student Safety in Mind

TMRES is Cranbrook's largest elementary school! We have just over 350 students registered for 2021-2022 school year. To reduce congestion and to **keep our students safe** we have the following parking rules:

Parking Drop-off Loop (for students in grades 1 – 6):

- 30 sec Maximum stopping time
- No parking in the loop
- Do not leave your vehicle
- Do not block entrance/exit to staff parking lot

Staff Lot: Absolutely no parent vehicles in staff parking lot, along back fence, or beside covered area.

Kindergarten Pickup: We ask that Kindergarten parents not use the drop-off loop as Kindergarten students are dismissed from their classroom to the parent and you must leave your car to pick them up.

Bus Lane: The front of the school is reserved for busses during school hours. Staff and parents cannot park in that area at any time during the school day. This area is marked by a yellow line on the curb. Please do not park in the accessible parking spot at the front of the school where there is a blue line painted (near the fire hydrant).

Please share parking information with all people who help you with pick up and drop off.

Thank you for helping us keep our student's safety a priority during this busy time.

Upcoming Events

September 17

"Just for the Fun of It"

September 24

School Photo Day

September 29

Orange Shirt Day

September 30

Aboriginal Day of Remembrance, Stat holiday, students do not attend

October 1

Professional Development Day, students do not attend.

October 8

Terry Fox Walk / Run – 11 am

School Communication

We will be sending out a monthly newsletter from TMRES.mailing@sd5.bc.ca to the email address that we have on file in the office. Please check your junk mail and “allow sender” from this address. This newsletter contains notable dates and up-coming events. We also have general school information on our school website.

Absence from School

It's important that we know where all of our students are at all times, please let the office know when your child will be absent from school. Our District uses School Messenger, you can log an absence by visiting <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> . You can also download an app from Apple or Google Play. There is also a toll-free number you can call, 1-833-566-1225. You can “opt in” to receive text messages from School Messenger by texting “Yes” to 978338 with the cell number that is on file.

School Calendar Magnets

School calendar magnets have been sent home, one per family but we have extras available for families with more than one home. Our T.M. Website and phone number are on the magnet for quick reference.

P.A.C.

All parents of the school community are members of P.A.C. (Parent Advisory Council). Our First PAC meeting will be this Wednesday, September 22nd in the school library at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in being on the executive please come to the first meeting and put your name forward. We would also love to have you at the meeting if you are completely new to learn about what PAC does and how you could get involved in the school.



Over the summer holidays 7 trees were purchased by our Aboriginal department as part of our Welcoming Spaces funding. One maple tree was purchased by family in memory of our beloved E.A. Doris Horvath.

Thank you to everyone who helped to get these trees purchased and into the ground over the summer.

C.P.F.

The C.P.F. (Canadian Parents for French) is a national network of parents, volunteers and advocates dedicated to the promotion and creation of French-second-language learning opportunities for young Canadians. You can become a member, a volunteer or donate to the [C.P.F. by clicking here](#). Our local chapter represents the Fernie and Cranbrook areas. The first CPF meeting of the year is September 23rd at 7 PM in the T.M. library.

Covid Protocols

As you are aware, our protocols have changed from last year. All students in grades 4 – 12, all visitors and all school district staff are required to **wear a mask at all times** when indoors or on a bus. Students in Kindergarten to grade 3 and strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Other protocols that are staying:

- Daily Health Checks for staff and students
- Do not come to school or work if you are feeling unwell or required to self-isolate
- Good hand hygiene practices
- Wearing a mask in schools and on buses
- Respiratory etiquette
- Spreading out, avoid crowding

For the most recent Health and Safety protocols you can look to our [school website](#) and the [school district website](#).

If you are unsure if your child should attend school, please use the [health app](#).

School Cash Online

South East Kootenay would like to reduce the amount of cash and cheques coming into our schools. It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions, so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren) (ski trips, school fees etc.).

Step 1: Register. Go to <https://sd5.schoolcashionline.com> and select "Get Started Today" Complete the registration steps. Passwords require 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.

Step 2: Confirmation email. A registration confirmation email will be sent to you. Click on the link provided to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.

Step 3: Find student. You will be prompted to find your child by using first and last name, as well as birth date. If you have more than one child, you can add another student.

For more detailed instructions, click [here](#).

Indigo Love of Reading – Adopt a School

Our school has been adopted by Coles at the Tamarack mall! From now until October 3rd, this store is going to fundraise on our behalf. We're also going to be raising funds to support our library through an Adopt a School online fundraising page which you can find by searching our school name at [Indigo Love of Reading Foundation](#). Our school is going to receive every dollar raised to support our library and a 30% discount off books when we shop at Indigo, Chapters and Coles using program donations. Thank you for helping to get more books into our school library.



Save-On-Foods

When you shop at Save-On-Foods, you can ask the cashier to put 5% of your grocery purchase to go towards our school – at no cost to you! Last year, our school received **over \$4000 in funds** that we used to increase our Field Studies and Bussing budget. Thank you, parents and extended family who supported our school.

Terry Fox Walk / Run

Next month our school will be participating in the Terry Fox Walk / Run on October 8th. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, you can join our school fundraising page by clicking [HERE](#).

Elementary School Sports

Cranbrook's Sports Council met last night to map out the year and resume some elementary school sports! We will begin our sporting season with 3-Ball Volleyball for grade 6 students. We will start our season of play on October 26th and the season will continue until December 3rd. Unfortunately, spectators are not permitted at this time, thank you for your continued patience. If you are interested in volunteering with scorekeeping, please email carissa.hart@sd5.bc.ca



Our school vegetable garden is plentiful! Students will be harvesting the bounty in the coming weeks. Thanks to the volunteers who came in over the summer months to care for the plants and the space.

Classroom Teachers

Mrs. Shields - Kindergarten/ Gr. 1

Mrs. Dureski, Mrs. Ivanco (temp)- Gr. 1/2

Mrs. Meijer- Grade 3/4

Mrs. Gauthier - Grade 4/5

Mr. McAnerney - Grade 6



Support Staff and Other Teaching Staff

Mme. Sartorel - Principal

Mme. Hart – Vice Principal / P.E.

Mrs. Lochrie – Secretary

Mrs. Nickell – Secretary

Mr. Vizcaino - Music

Mrs. Stambulic – Student Services Teacher / P.E.

Ms. Zimmer – Student Services Teacher

Mrs. Wheeler – Educational Assistant

Mrs. Eimer – Educational Assistant

Mrs. Samuhseneeto – Educational Assistant

Mrs. Thrun – Educational Assistant

Mme. Llaurency – French Educational Assistant

Mrs. Kinsman – Speech Language Pathologist

French Immersion Classroom Teachers

Mme. Heyde - Kindergarten

Mme. Pamela & M. Paterson - Kindergarten

Mme. Anick - Grade 1

Mme. MacLeod - Grade 1/2

Mme. Andréanne and M. Fraser - Grade 2

Mme. Stasuik – Grade 2/3

Mme. Ashley - Grade 3

Mme. Ingrid - Grade 4

Mme. Kathleen - Grade 4 / 5

Mme. Catherine - Grade 5 / 6

Mme. Sophie and M. Fraser - Grade 6

Ms. Hollister – Speech Language Assistant

Mrs. James – Aboriginal Education Support Worker

Mr. Napier – Youth Care Worker

Mrs. McLean – Youth Care Worker

Mme. Lavoie – Youth Care Worker

TBA – School Counsellor

Mrs. Marlow – Library Clerk

Mrs. Sokolic – Teacher Librarian

Mrs. Walkley – Noon Hour Supervisor

Mrs. Palmer – Custodian

Mrs. MacLeod – Custodia

TBA – French Teacher's Assistant

Ms. Richards – Behaviour Intervention Teacher

