



TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



IB World School

Amarillo Campus

October 2023

TERRY FOX MARATHON OF HOPE SCHOOL RUN



On Friday, September 22 students and staff from all 3 Divisions: Pre-School, Elementary and High School walked, jogged or ran TCPS "Marathon of Hope". We at TCPS are proud to continue the legacy of Terry Fox, one of our most honored heroes.

TCPS has collected pledges and participated in the Terry Fox Run over the past 16 years, and we are proud to say to date, our school has raised approximately **\$228,000!**

Last year, we were able to surpass our goal of \$10,000. This year too, we hope to reach our goal of \$10,000 once again! It's not too late to donate! We are confident that we can realize this goal with full participation of the school and with your unwavering support! All collected money is due no later than Thursday, October 5th.

Here's the link: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/TownCentrePrivateAmarilloMarkham>



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GRADE 1 TO 8 SPIRIT WEEK



Between September 25th and 28th, our students participated in a variety of theme days designed to build school spirit - like Movie Star Day, Tropical Tuesday, Wacky Hair Wednesday. Students also earned points for their House League teams. Thank you to all the students, parents and staff for an amazing and fun filled Spirit Week.



Movie Star Monday



Tropical Tuesday



Wacky Hair

Wednesday



House League

P.D. DAY THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

On Friday, October 6th TCPS staff will be participating in a Professional Development Day. Please note that October 6th will be a non-school day for all Pre-School, Elementary and High school students.

With Thanksgiving in the horizon we would like to say thank you to all our families for being a part of our TCPS community. The school will be closed on Monday, October 9th, for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday. Classes will resume at their regularly scheduled hours on Tuesday, October 10th. We would like to wish all of our TCPS families a safe and happy Thanksgiving weekend.



National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Every Child Matters

Each year, September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation across Canada. Both the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30th.

Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous commemorative day that is held to raise awareness of the individual, family and community level, inter-generational impacts of residential schools. A clear concept of, "Every Child Matters" is brought into focus by communities across Canada, promoting the concept of The Orange Shirt as a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations, bringing together communities for truth and reconciliation.



Fall has arrived and the children are enjoying seeing the changes in the weather and trees. Please remember to dress your children for the cooler weather. Please ensure that your child brings a jacket everyday and kindly have your child's name clearly marked on all clothing that is brought to school. We also recommend removing all strings from your child's hooded garments for their own safety.



HALLOWEEN!



On Tuesday, October 31st, our students will be enjoying Halloween Dress-up and Pumpkin Carving Day. Students are welcome to come to school in costumes. Students may bring a change of clothes if they would like to take off their Halloween costume during the day.

A fortnight before Halloween, you'll find a sign up sheet for the party day posted outside the classroom door. If you wish to bring a food item, kindly sign your child's name on the party sheet. It's important to include a list of all ingredients used as well.

Toddler, Casa NT and Casa classes:

Adhering to the Child Care Early Years Act, parents of our Toddler, Casa NT and Casa students may contribute only food that has been prepared by licensed restaurants or purchased from grocery stores. Please ensure that an ingredient list accompanies any contributions. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with one of the Vice-Principals.

Pumpkin Carving Contest:

Each class will be participating in a pumpkin carving contest. The pumpkins will be on display in the main hallway at the Amarillo Campus on October 30th and 31st. Please stop by and check out our spooky creations!

SCHOOL SAFETY

As Fall arrives, it unfolds a splendid array of colours while ushering in earlier evenings and darker mornings. For the safety of students and staff, commencing Monday, October 30th, the back gates leading into the school from the side and back parking lots will remain locked from 7 to 8 am. These gates will be kept open only from 8 to 9 am.

Parents dropping off their children in the morning (between 7 and 8 am), must use the front entrance. The school's front door will remain open all day 7am to 6:30 pm.

Parents and Visitors:

We kindly ask parents/visitors entering the school during instructional hours **to report** to the front office before proceeding. Our students and their safety is important to us and we look for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to stop by the office.