

TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



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Welcome to all our new and returning students and families back to school! We're off to a great start and we are looking forward to a wonderful school year together with you!

We're so excited to announce the opening of our new Computer Science and Digital, Arts Centre equipped with brand new fast and powerful computers. We can accommodate a full class maximizing instructional time. Students will love learning in this centre and they will surely appreciate the awesome flashy light display coming from the computers!



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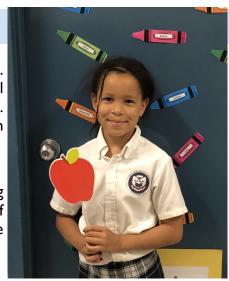
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The School Day: Drop off and Pick Up

TCPS will play O'Canada daily over the elementary P.A. system at 9:00 a.m. to signal the start of the school day. During the playing of the national anthem everyone is asked to stop and stand respectfully without talking. Please do not walk or run through the hallways to reach the classroom while the anthem is playing.

Arrive before 9:00 a.m.

Parents please ensure students arrive before 9:00 a.m. All students arriving after 9:00 a.m. must report to the Main Office to get a late slip, instead of going directly to the classroom. The late slip should be presented to the class teacher upon entering the class.



Pick up after 3:30 p.m.

Parents please pick up after 3:30 p.m. to avoid disrupting classes in progress. All parents picking up before 3:30 p.m. must report to the Main Office to sign out students instead of going directly to the classroom. Kindly let the Main Office and teachers know in advance if you need to pick up early.

Instructional hours 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

During instructional hours, all parents must report to the Main Office. Before 9:00 a.m. and after 3:30 p.m. parents may go directly to the classroom door to drop off or pick up students. Parents please refrain from entering the classroom.

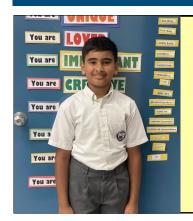
Reporting Absence

If your child will not be in attendance at school, please call the Main Office at 905-470-1200 before 9:00 a.m. to report the absence.

Authorized Pick Up List

Parents please ensure that anyone who picks up your child is on the Authorized Pick Up List or send us a written note granting one time permission for a person to pick up your child.

Recommended Entrances for Drop off and Pick up				
Drop off	7:00 to 8:00 a.m.	Grades 2 to 8	Main Entrance A	
	8:00 to 9:00 a.m.	Grades 2, 3 and 8	Entrance G	
		Grades 4 and 5	Main Entrance A	
		Grades 6 and 7	Entrance B	
	After 9:00 a.m.	Grades 2 to 8	Main Entrance A	
Please note: Entrance G and B will be unlocked 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.				
Pick up	Before 3:30 p.m.	Grades 2 to 8	Main Entrance A	
	3:30 to 5:30 p.m.	Grades 2, 3 and 8	Entrance G	
		Grades 4 and 5	Main Entrance A	
		Grades 6 and 7	Entrance B	
	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Grades 2 to 8	Main Entrance A	
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Main Office Access	Office Hours 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Main Office	Main Entrance A	



International Baccalaureate Learner Profile

The aim of all IB programmes is to develop internationally minded people who recognizing their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world.

Teachers will highlight a different Learner Profile attribute each month.

This month's Learner Profile attribute is:

Inquirers

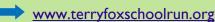
Curriculum Night

Curriculum Night will take place on Thursday, September 15, 2022 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. It will be an in person presentation from your child's homeroom teachers which will provide you with an outline of your child's academic program and learning environment. Parents will learn about the daily routine, procedures, and classroom expectations. Teachers will be able to discuss and answer general questions. Please look for more communication which will be sent to you soon about our Curriculum Night.

Terry Fox School Run

Our first major event will be the Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 23. Raising awareness and participating in this event is another way in which TCPS students can make a significant impact in our community. Students will be receiving information along with their online pledge forms shortly. This year we hope to surpass our fundraising goal with your very generous contributions towards this great cause!







Spirit Week and Student Activity Council Elections



We're looking forward to an amazing year filled with fun activities! During the week of September 26 to 30, TCPS elementary students will participate in a super Spirit Week! A parent memo will be sent home soon detailing all of the special events for the week.

Also during Spirit Week, senior elementary students will elect a Student Activity Council who will help to organize the fun and exciting events throughout the year! Interested grades 6 to 8 students are invited to try out!

Administration of Medication Policy

For the safety of all our students, parents who provide medication for the student to take while at school must contact the Main Office to complete a Medical form providing the following information:

- the current date
- name of the student
- name of the medication
- dosage and time the medication must be given
- a parent's signature for authorization to give medication
- all medication must be provided in the original container
- medication should not be expired

The school will not administer medication without the signed medical form. Parents, please do not give any medication to your child to keep in his or her lunch box, locker or pockets.



Fire and Safety Drills

TCPS has carefully instituted various levels of security to ensure the safety of all our students. Our safety measures include: restricted access to school facilities, a student pick up system only by authorized adults registered with the school's administration, and a school wide surveillance system. Throughout the year, the students will practice fire and safety drills as part of our Fire and Emergency Safety Plan. By doing so, students and staff will be able to respond in a calm manner during an emergency.



A LOOK BACK: June 2022

Grade 2 students participated in a Fire Safety Program led by firefighters from the Markham Fire Department.

All of our parents, staff and students are part of the TCPS community and we ask everyone to exercise patience and courtesy in the parking lot and in the neighbourhood. As the safety and well-being of all the students is our priority, we are sure that everyone's cooperation will be assured. In case of emergency, the students must be able to exit the building without obstruction and emergency vehicles must have easy accessibility to enter the school. Cars that are parked illegally may be ticketed or towed at the owner's expense.





Please observe all posted signs in the parking lot.



Drive slowly and carefully in the parking lot and in the surrounding neighbourhood.



Watch carefully for students and parents walking in the parking lot, especially young children.



Do not park in front of the main entrance door of the school or in the front driveway. This area is a drop off area ONLY, and should not be used for parking at any time. The front entrance and driveway are the main fire routes and bus unloading zones.



Do not stop or park along the side walls of the building as these are designated fire routes. There is grave danger to students as they exit their vehicle, if cars attempt to pass. Please park your car in a designated parking spot to unload students.



Do not park in the handicap spaces unless you have a valid permit.



Enter and exit the parking lot driving in the proper direction. The driveway directly in front of the main entrance is only ONE WAY traffic exiting the parking lot. When entering the driveway, do not block traffic. If a parking spot is not available, please exit the parking lot and re-enter to look for an alternate area to park.

Anaphylactic Allergies

Within our school community there are several students who have a potentially severe life threatening allergy (anaphylaxis) to foods, predominantly to peanuts and nuts. Depending on the allergy, students can be at risk through eating, touching or smelling the allergen. The risk to human life presented by anaphylaxis is very severe and we feel the best way to reduce the risk of accidental exposure to these students is to ask for the cooperation of the parents to avoid sending known allergens to school, especially peanut butter or products with peanuts or nuts in the ingredients.



While the school is not designated as "nut free" or "allergen free", we respectfully ask for your voluntary support in reducing the serious risk for these students who have anaphylactic allergies. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

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Are you on the TCPS School App?

As school communications will go out on the School App, it is important for all parents to join the School App in order to keep you informed and up-to-date with all school events taking place throughout the year. If you need technical assistance, please contact our Tech Support at tech@tcmps.com.

click here to download the App for **Android**

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Go Tigers!

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With your help, our students are sure to have a sense of pride in wearing their school uniform properly throughout the year. By October 1st, we hope to have all students in their full school uniform. Parents who are waiting for any uniform items may contact InSchoolwear and have the deliveries made to the school. Please ensure that uniform items are labelled with the student's name so we can return lost uniform items to the student.

The approved school shoes are black leather dress shoes from Stride Right, Geox and Dr. Martens. Black running shoes or sneakers are not permitted as part of the uniform except at recess and Physical Education class. Students who use orthotics must have a doctor's note in order to wear unapproved shoes.

Photo Day

On September 16, the students in grades 2 to 8 will have their school photographs taken. Students must be in full uniform including sweaters, and school shoes. Grades 7 and 8 students are required to wear their school tie. Photo packages will be sent out to parents approximately one month after the photo day.

Photo Retake Day for students will be on Friday, November 4, 2022 for students who are unable to attend school on September 16 and for students who may not have their complete uniform by the 16th.



TOWN CENTRE P.S. (Clayton)



Entrees

Macaroni & cheese

Beef soft taco

Bean soft taco

Pancakes with

turkey sausage

Pasta with meat sauce (GF)

Pasta with

tomato sauce (GF)

Buttery pasta

Tuna salad sandwich

on a Kaiser

Chicken fingers

with rice (GF)

Beef burger (H)

Chicken burger (H)

Veggie burger

Side Items

Chicken fingers (2 pcs) (GF)

Baked potato with

sour cream

Garden salad with ranch

dressing

Steamed veggies

Edamame (shelled)

Cucumber slices

Veggies & dip

Perogies (4 pcs)

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Garlic bread

2% or chocolate milk

Chocolate soy milk

Various fruit juices (100% juice)

Bottled water

Snacks & Deserts

Fresh apple

of your school's hot lunch program.

Fresh pear

Fresh orange wedges

Diced fruit

Yogurt cup

Chocolate chip cookie

Kettle Popcorn

Fresh fruit of the season

Fudgy Brownie

Banana or Carrot Muffin

(GF) Gluten-friendly also available (H) Halal also available

Not all options are available in all locations, please check online to see your school's options.

DELIVERING GOOD, REAL FOOD TO KIDS AT SCHOOL

Our commitment is to provide nutritious, delicious, "home-cooked" meals with simple ingredients that you'd find in your own kitchen.

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?

No problem! We're here for you. Speak with us on how we can accommodate your child.

ORDER ONLINE

Visit www.kidskitchen.ca to see your school's menu, specials and for fast, secure online ordering.

Sample Menu









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