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School

Open House Saturday November 25

We are excited to inform you that Town Centre Private Schools will be hosting an OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, November 25. The Main Campus and Amarillo Campus will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and teachers will be present in their classrooms to welcome visitors. This is also a great time for parents of students in grades 7 or 8 who have questions about our High School program, to visit and learn more about our school. The administration will be available to help you with any questions you might have. We look forward to seeing you at our Open House!



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Terry Fox School Run



Thank you to our parents, students, and staff for your support of the Terry Fox Foundation, to raise funds and awareness for Cancer research. We are so pleased to announce we exceeded our fundraising goal of \$10,000 this year. With online donations and our Toonies for Terry event we were able to raise **\$10,225.60** from our Preschool, Elementary and High School divisions. This brings the grand total of donations to the Terry Fox Foundation to over **\$247,776.30** since 2006! Town Centre Private Schools is proud to participate in the Terry Fox School Run annually!

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Photo Re-Take Day

Photo Re-Take Day will take place on Friday, November 3 for any student who wishes to have their photo re-taken, and students who were absent on the first Photo Day. A parent memo recently went out on the school app asking interested parents to complete and return the form for photo retakes to the office.



Remembrance Day Observances

Remembrance Day will be observed on Friday, November 10 to honour the memory and courage of all those who served in the Canadian Forces. Students will have in class activities and will have a poppy to wear for the day.

We will participate in the Markham District Veterans Association's Poppy Campaign by collecting donations. Students will be bringing home a poppy and a donation envelope. Donated funds support Veterans, their families, and promote Remembrance.



Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week

TCPS Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week will take place from November 20 to 24. Students will participate in activities throughout the week which will emphasize bullying awareness and prevention, teamwork building skills and the theme of caring. For older elementary students, part of the focus will be about electronic or cyber bullying through internet, social media and email forums. Together, we can make a stand against bullying! More information will be posted soon.



Food Drive and Toy Drive

At the end of November, the Student Activity Council (SAC) will hold a Food Drive and Toy Drive for the Christmas holiday season. Parents and students who wish to donate may place items inside donation boxes located at the entrances to the school.

Food Drive items must be non-perishable, unopened, and not expired. Toy Drive items must be new items and unwrapped.

Please note that all toy or food contributions are voluntary. The SAC thanks you very much for supporting our efforts to help those in need during the holiday season.





IB Learner Profile Attribute for November:

Thinker

We use critical and creative thinking skills to analyze and take responsible action on complex problems.
We exercise initiative in making reasoned, ethical decisions.

Grades 6 to 8 Service-Learning

Our grades 6 to 8 students participate in the IB MYP (Middle Years Programme). This program is meant to create life-long holistic learners who take ownership of and demonstrate pride in their educational learning process. MYP students engage in **Service-Learning**, requiring students to take an active part in the communities in which they live. The desired outcome of service-learning activities is to help and impact others in some way. We are proud of the commitment and social responsibility shown by our grades 6 to 8 students as they engage in service-learning both inside the school and in the community through volunteer opportunities.

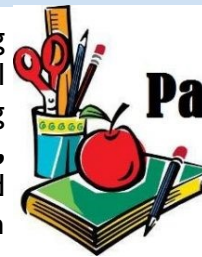
Benefits of Service Learning:

- Developing community awareness and concern.
- Learning to balance academic, recreational, and social avenues as part of a healthy lifestyle.
- Developing the skills needed to make contributions to society including personal reflection, resilience and working collaboratively.



Parent-Teacher Interviews

The first term of the school year is nearing completion, culminating with report cards and Parent-Teacher Interviews. The report cards will be distributed on Monday, December 4. We look forward to speaking with you on **Parent-Teacher Interview Day, Thursday, December 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** We have added additional interview time slots for grades 6 to 8 parents on Wednesday, December 6, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.



Parent-Teacher Interviews

The Parent-Teacher Interview Day will be an in-person event. It is a non-school day for students. In order to stay on schedule, it is important for the teacher and the parent to use only their allotted time. If necessary, a continuation may be requested on an alternate day. Parents are reminded that teachers are unable to meet parents without appointments. Information about how to sign up for Parent-Teacher Interviews will be provided soon.

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Please keep sick students at home

Please inform the school of all student absences. Students who are unwell should stay home and rest to feel better. Please do not send your child to school with symptoms of cold or flu. Students may return to school 24 hours after their symptoms have resolved.

If your child requires medication to be kept at school, parents must complete a medical form which can be picked up at the school office. All medication will be kept in the office. Parents, please do not give your child any medication including Tylenol, to keep in their pockets, locker, backpack or lunch box.



**Stay home if
you feel sick.**

Attention All Drivers

We ask for the cooperation of all drivers in our school parking lot to be careful and drive slowly. The school parking lot can be very busy especially during the drop off and pick up times. Please help us keep all our children safe by using care and caution while driving.

- Obey all traffic regulations and signs.
- Do not drive fast. SLOW DOWN!
- Give the right of way to others.
- Watch out for pedestrians especially children.
- Do not damage other cars in the parking lot.
- Use the handicapped parking space with a permit.

With everyone's cooperation we can all stay safe!



Outdoor Recess

Elementary students will have outdoor recess daily. Please note that students do not have the option to stay indoors for recess unless the weather is rainy or there is a cold weather advisory alert. Students who are recovering from illness but are well enough to attend school will participate in outdoor recess to get some fresh air.



With the colder weather season starting, we ask all parents to ensure that all students have a fall jacket to wear for outdoor recess. Now, is a great time to get prepared for winter and look for hats, mitts, scarves, boots, snowpants and winter coats.