



# TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



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Amarillo Campus Information Bulletin

September 2023

## WELCOME Back to School

### Dates to Remember

#### **September 14**

Meet the Teacher Night  
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

#### **September 20**

Photo day

#### **September 22**

Terry Fox School Run

#### **September 25 – 29**

Grade 1 Spirit Week

#### **September 29**

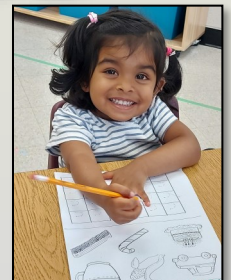
National Day for Truth  
and Reconciliation

It's September! We hope you had a great summer, and we welcome you back to school. We are already one week into the school year, and it is great to hear the laughter and chatter of the students fill the classrooms and the hallways again! For our new parents, please note our monthly bulletin is provided on the first week of every month and will keep you updated on any upcoming school events, news and/or activities for the academic year.

We have a busy year up ahead and we are prepared to continue our commitment to provide high quality education, safety, care and support for our students.

We want to wish you an amazing year filled with excitement, learning and great memories!

## September Smiles



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## After School Courses—Fall Session

As we enter into a new school year, after school courses for 2023 – 2024 commence on Monday September 18th. These courses offer an ideal opportunity for parents to help their children acquire fresh skills, nurture their talents, and explore modern technologies. To access details about the After School Courses, including course specifics, scheduling, and dates, please refer the After School Courses information package.

We strongly urge parents and guardians to promptly submit their enrollment forms, as placements are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

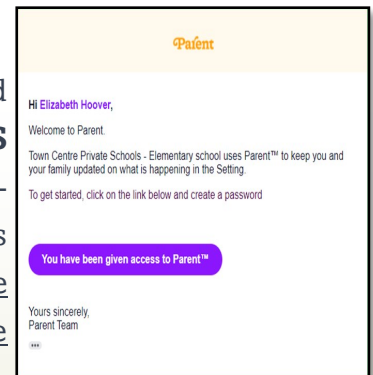
## New myTCPS App - Now officially rolled out.....

We are delighted to inform you that our school, has successfully obtained approval from both Apple and Google for the latest version of the **myTCPS App**, which is now accessible in both app stores. We have sent out invitations to all Parents to complete activation of their account. We ask parents to please check their spam or junk filters for the invitation. Parents please note that as of Monday, September 18th, 2023 all correspondence will be through the myTCPS App only.

You can access the web app at: <https://mytown.tcmps.com/> or go ahead and download the new **myTCPS** app at the [Google Play Store](#) and [Apple App Store](#) using the links below or search: **myTCPS**



If you have any questions or have not received an invitation, please contact [tech@tcmps.com](mailto:tech@tcmps.com)



## Meet the Teacher Night

We are pleased to announce that our annual Meet the Teacher Night will be held on Thursday, September 14th from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. We hope that you can join us to learn more about the academic program, your child's school, classroom, an opportunity to meet the teachers, and also the subject teachers. You will also be provided with a concise description of your child's daily routine and academic program.

After School Courses Instructors will also be available at the Meet the Teacher Night.



We hope that through the Meet the Teacher Night you will experience the kind of supportive learning environment we strive to provide for your child on a day to day basis.

## Terry Fox School Run

Our first major event for the new school year will be The Terry Fox Run. On Friday, September 22nd all students and staff from all 3 Divisions, Pre-School, Elementary and High School will participate in our 17th annual Terry Fox Run. This event has been a huge success in the past and we look forward to supporting this great cause again. This year our fundraising goal is set for \$10,000.00 and we hope to achieve this with your generous contributions. Raising awareness and participating in a worthy cause is another way in which TCPS students can have a significant impact in our community. More information to follow.



## Photo Day

Bring your best smile for our annual picture day on Wednesday, September 20th. On this day the Amarillo Campus students will have their individual and group pictures taken by our official photographers.

Afternoon only students are asked to attend school in the morning session so their picture may be included in the class photo and yearbook. **All grade 1 students must be in their full school uniform.**



Photo proof packages will be sent out approximately 1 month later. Students who are unable to attend on photo day will have a retake day on Tuesday morning, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## Grades 1 to 8 Spirit Week

Our TCPS Spirit Week will be held during the week of Monday, September 25th to Friday, September 29th. This week will surely be an exciting one for all students and staff.



## School Uniform and Shoes - Grade 1

With your help, our students are sure to have a sense of pride in wearing their school uniform properly throughout the year. By September 30th, the expectation is to have all students in their full school uniform and school shoes. Please ensure that uniform items are labelled with the student's name.

The approved school shoes are black leather dress shoes from Hush Puppies, Stride Rite, Geox and Dr. Martens. Running shoes and sneakers are not permitted as part of the school uniform except at recess and Physical Education class.



## Anaphylactic Allergies

Within our school community there are a number of students who have a potentially life threatening allergy (anaphylaxis) to foods, predominantly to peanuts and nuts.

The risk to human life presented by anaphylaxis is severe and we feel the best way to reduce the risk of accidental exposure to students is to ask for the cooperation of the parents and guardians to avoid sending peanut butter or products with peanuts or nuts in the ingredients. The school is not designated as “nut free” or “allergen free”. Your voluntary support is requested in reducing the risk for the students who have anaphylactic allergies. Your cooperation and understanding of this matter is appreciated.



## Administration of Medication

We have put in place certain measures for administering medication for our students while at school. Parents are advised to contact the homeroom teacher to complete a Medical Form with all the instructions for administering the medication as well as their signature and date before leaving medication in school. If there is no written instructions and signed medical form, no medication will be administered to the student. Please contact the Office if you have any questions or concerns.



## School Emergency Safety Plans and Hold and Fire Drills

In addition to providing an excellent quality of education at TCPS, the safety and security of our students is of the utmost importance. The school has carefully instituted various levels of security within the school premises and outlying playfields.

Just as we have always had fire drills as part of our Fire Safety Plan so that students will know what to do in the event of a fire at school, we will also practice how to respond to different types of emergencies such as a “Hold and Secure”, or an evacuation as part of our Emergency Safety Plan.

By thinking about different types of emergencies and planning ahead when it is calm, rather than needing to respond while an emergency unfolds, we are able to react appropriately to different situations. By doing so, students and staff will be able to respond in a calm manner during an emergency.

These additional levels of security will undoubtedly reassure parents and allow individual students to pursue their academic studies with the knowledge that they are safe and secure at all times.

## Administration Announcement

It is with great pleasure we announce that our very own Ms. Dona Icyan who was our grade 1 teacher, has been promoted to Elementary Vice Principal and PYP Coordinator. Congratulations, Ms. Icyan on your promotion and we know you will be a great addition to our Elementary division.

