



# TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS™

Montessori Pre-School • Elementary • High School



International Baccalaureate® World School

## Amarillo Campus Information Bulletin

September 2019

### Dates to Remember

#### September 10

Amarillo Campus  
Meet the Teacher Night & Meet the After School Courses Instructors  
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

#### September 16

After School Courses  
Fall Session Begins

#### September 23 to 27

Grade 1 Spirit Week

#### September 26

Terry Fox School Run

### Welcome Back

Welcome all new families and returning families to the start of another school year. We look forward to a rewarding 2019-2020! In this Information Bulletin you will find details about important programs and upcoming events.



### Meet the Teacher Night and Meet the After School Courses Instructors

Our annual Meet the Teacher Night will take place on Tuesday, September 10th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Meet the Teacher Night allows parents and guardians the opportunity to visit your child's Campus, meet the teachers, subject teachers and tour the classes. After School Courses instructors will also be present in the Gymnasium to answer any questions.



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.

**First day of school! Wake up! Come on. First day of school. - Dr. Seuss**



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### Announcing our new TCPS Mobile App

Our IT department is working on developing our new TCPS Mobile App, which will be launched soon.

We are excited about this new Mobile App as it will enhance how we communicate with parents and guardians and provide updates on school events.

We will keep you informed of further developments of the Mobile App.



### Terry Fox Run

Our first major event for the new school year will be **The Terry Fox Run**. On Thursday, September 26th the students and staff from all 3 Divisions, Pre-School, Elementary and High School will participate in our 13th annual Terry Fox Run. This event has been a huge success in the past and we look forward to supporting this great cause again. Last year TCPS raised \$13,670.20 surpassing our goal of \$12,500 and this year we hope to surpass our fundraising goal of \$13,000.00 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. Students will be receiving more information along with their pledge forms shortly.

### After School Courses - Fall Session

The After School Courses for the 2019-2020 academic year commences on Monday, September 16th. For busy parents the After School Courses provide a perfect opportunity for their child to acquire new skills, develop talents and learn contemporary technologies. Please refer to the After School Courses information package for course information, days and times.

We encourage parents and guardians to return the enrolment forms as soon as possible. Enrolments are accepted on a first come, first served basis.



## 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.** Also, a list of ingredients must be provided for all food brought to the classroom for all special occasions. Your cooperation and understanding of this matter is appreciated.



## Appropriate Footwear

Please ensure that your child is wearing appropriate footwear to school. Crocs, fancy dress shoes with heels and flip flops are not permitted in the school.

Thank you for your continuous support in this important matter.



## Grades 1 to 8 TCPS Spirit Week

Our TCPS Spirit Week will be held during the week of Monday, September 23rd to Friday, September 27th. This week will surely be an exciting one for all students and staff.



## Birthdays

If you would like your child to celebrate their birthday in the classroom, please let the teacher know well in advance. The teacher will take pictures of the event. Please do not send personal cameras.

In compliance with the Child Care and Early Years Act, parents of our toddler, pre-casa and casa students can bring in cake or pizza only, prepared from licensed restaurants or grocery stores.

**Birthday cakes and cheese pizzas** are permitted for the occasion. Napkins, paper plates and plastic cutlery, must be provided. **Birthday candles and balloons are not permitted.** Please remember that a list of ingredients must be provided for all the food brought to the classroom. If you are ordering pizza for delivery, it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to ensure that the pizza company has the teacher's name and room number. Please ensure instructions for payment are clearly communicated by the parent to the teacher.

### School Emergency Safety Plans and Hold and Secure Drills

In addition to providing an excellent quality of education at TCPS, the safety and security of our students is of 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.



*“The greatest sign of success for a teacher is to be able to say, “The children are now working as if I did not exist.”*

*Maria Montessori*