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Ey' Swayel, Woodward Hill families,

We have had a wonderful first full week in our new classes. Students have been settling into new routines and making new connections with classmates and school staff. September is a busy but exciting time in schools.

Meet the Teacher September 25

Our Meet the Teacher is scheduled for Wednesday Sept. 25 from 3 – 5:30pm. Meet the teacher is an opportunity for families to come to the school to meet their child's teacher. While this is not a time to discuss your child's individual learning needs, it is a time to learn about how the teacher organizes the class in general. Please plan to attend.

Parents as Partners September 25

Please plan to attend our Parents as Partners opportunity on September 25 from 2:30 – 3:00pm in the gym. We know that student success is greatly dependent on schools and families working together to foster academic growth, social and emotional development, and the shaping of productive citizens who contribute meaningfully to our world. One small (yet important) act towards this vision is working together (school and family) to raise readers. By attending our Parents as Partners, you will learn ways to help your child's literacy competence.

Truth and Reconciliation

Each year, September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to commemorate the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools. During the next couple of weeks, educators will take the time to share important ideas and history related to residential schools. Students will also learn about the resiliency and strength of First Peoples. Students and staff will participate in a Story Walk in the 26th. **On Thursday September 26, everyone is asked to wear orange.**

First People in Residence

The week of October 21 – 25, we are excited to welcome our First People in Residence cultural facilitators. The purpose of First People in Residence is to celebrate Indigenous cultures, histories and knowledge. We are very fortunate to welcome our cultural facilitators to Woodward Hill.

Terry Fox Run

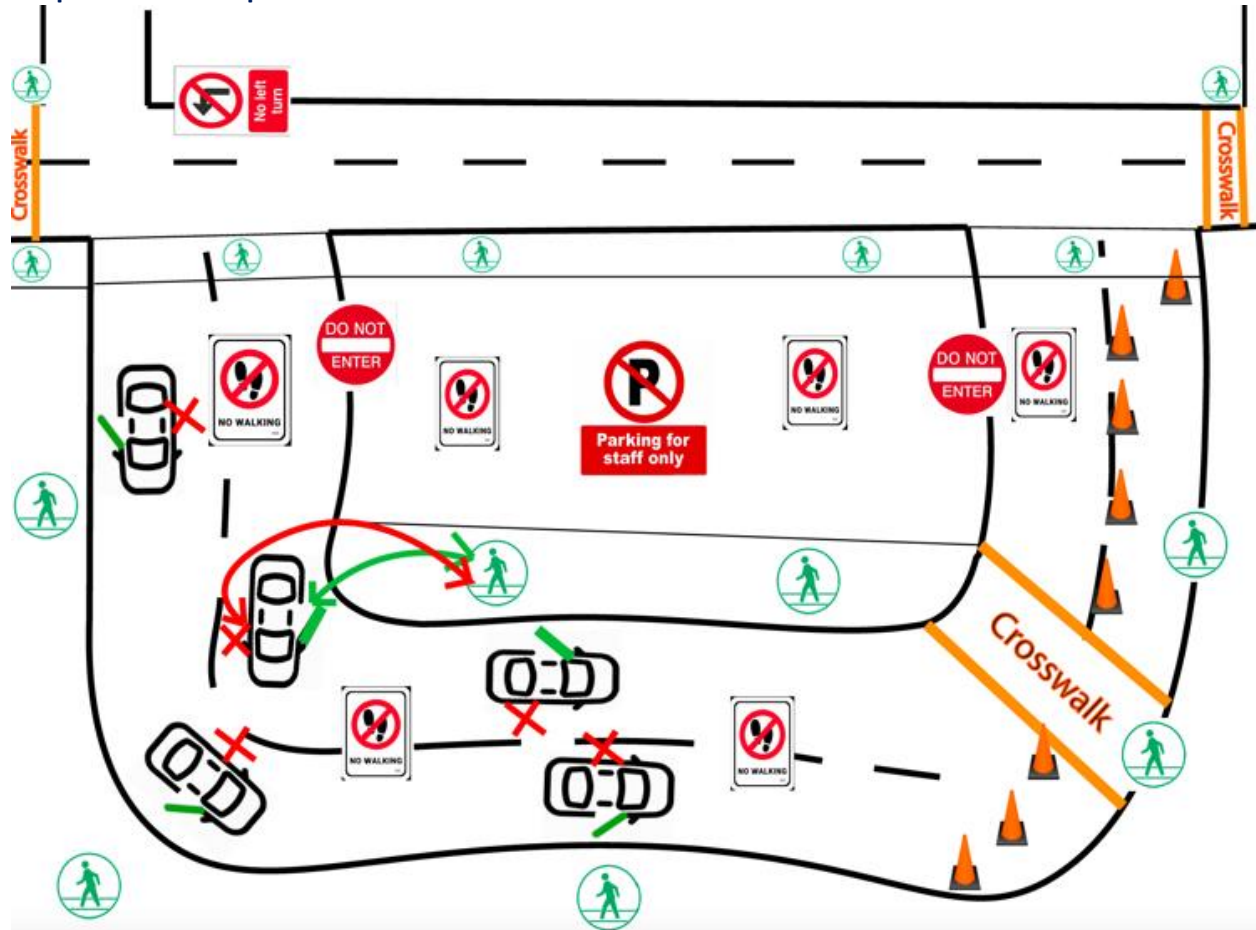
Our TFR was today! Our goal was to raise \$1400 – two dollars for every child in the school, however we surpassed the goal and are currently sitting at over \$1600. WAY TO GO WOODWARD HILL!!!! You can still donate at <https://schools.terryfox.ca/73505> Mr. Issel and Ms. Sharpe become a pickle and a hotdog! On Tuesday September 24 at 1:45pm, they will receive a pie (or two) in the face on the grass field.



Surrey Elementary Schools Athletic Association SESAA

Our Grade 6-7 girls' and boys' soccer teams are off to a great start thanks to our coaches Ms. Vivanco Mme. Fournier, and Mr. Nakashima! Go EAGLES Soccer! We also have a small but mighty Grade 3 – 7 cross-country running team led by Mr. Issel and Ms. Sherstone. New runners welcomed anytime. See the office for details if your child wants to join our cross-country team! Go EAGLES cross-country!

Drop off and Pick Up



When driving onto school property to drop-off or pick-up your child curbside, please remain in your vehicle. The front of the school is drop-off/pick-up only and not meant for parking. If you need more time to drop-off/pick-up your child, please park on one of the neighbouring streets and walk to the school. Do not enter the lower parking lot to drop-off and/or pick-up your child. Also, please use the crosswalks on 142nd Street and in the school's parking lot. We ask drivers to obey all traffic signs including the **NO LEFT TURN** for traffic coming up 142nd and wanting to enter the school. Students should always exit and enter the vehicle on the sidewalk side not the lane side. Please refer to this map – thank you!



Cold weather and rainy days reminder

As a reminder, the following general criteria is used when deciding to send students outside at recess and lunch. Please send your children to school with appropriate outdoor clothing.

OUTSIDE DAY	INSIDE DAY
Above 2 degrees and raining	2 degrees or below and raining
Snow days	Raining and so windy umbrellas will turn inside out

Upcoming dates

- Sept 25 Meet the teacher
- Sept 26 Truth and Reconciliation; Orange Shirt Day – wear orange
- Sept 27 Non-instructional day – classes not in session
- Sept 30 Truth and Reconciliation – all schools closed
- Oct. 4 Individual picture day
- Oct. 11 Yom Kippur
- Oct. 14 Thanksgiving holiday – classes not in session
- Oct. 18 [Persons Day](#)
- Oct. 20 Professional development day – classes not in session
- Oct 28 Nov. 1 We Scare Hunger Food Bank donations
- Oct 31 Costume Day and School Parade!

Sunflower love below!



