

Coast Meridian Elementary

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Thank you for all of your support during the first few weeks of school. Students are doing a wonderful job following our new school guidelines and are settling into their classes. Our blended classes have started and students had their first face-to-face learning session this week.

Terry Fox Run

Due to the bad weather, we made the decision early this morning to postpone our Terry Fox Run until Tuesday, September 29th. Although it turned into a beautiful afternoon, the grass field was quite wet for running. Please continue to support the Terry Fox Foundation through your on-line donations at: <u>http://www.terryfox.ca/CoastMeridianElementary</u>

Drop off, Pick Up and Parking

- Our teachers love to connect with parents, and often in years past, many conversations would happen at the door. This year, with the Health and Safety guidelines, teachers are not able to do that as easily. They are trying to safely dismiss all students, while maintaining 2 metre distance from parents and it can be a challenge to also have a private conversation at that time. If you want to talk with a teacher, please email, call the school or send a note. Phone appointments or virtual conferences through TEAMS can be set up if needed as well.
- Please remember, when you are dropping off your child please take them to the class line up and then step 2 meters back. Because parents are not a part of the class cohort, you must be 2 meters away from other children.
- Please do not park in the designated staff parking spots in the upper parking lot. We have had staff members unable to find parking this week until after the bell because all of the spots were filled with parent cars. There is a sign in the upper lot indicating where the staff parking begins.

<u>Masks</u>

The district provided us with masks for students; however, the sizing did not work for many, as they were either too small or too big. We have ordered mid-size masks for those students that did not fit either the large or the small masks that we received. We do have the disposable masks, which students can use, if requested. As soon as we receive the mid-size masks, we will send them home. For those who receive a student mask, please make sure you label them as they are all the same.

Planners

Students in Grade 1 -7 will receive a planner once they arrive. The PAC has graciously agreed to pay the \$5.00 per student cost. Thank you PAC!

Reminders

Monday, September 28th is a Professional Development Day - no school for students Tuesday, September 29th is our Terry Fox Run Wednesday, September 30th is Orange Shirt Day Thursday, October 1st – PAC Meeting – please see PAC website <u>www.coastmerianpac.com</u> for a link to the meeting at 7:00 p.m.