



JANUARY 2026

NEWSLETTER

"Learning Without Limits"

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Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary School



Important Dates

Jan 12 - PAC Meeting @ 6pm
Jan 26-30 - Literacy Week!
Jan 28- Eagle Assembly 11am
& Early Dismissal @ 12:00
Feb 9 - PAC Meeting @ 6pm
Feb 13 - PD Day, No School
Feb 16 - Family Day, No School
Feb 23 - District Basketball Tournament
Feb 25 - Pink Shirt Day
Eagle Assembly 11am
Early Dismissal @ 12:00
Mar 16-27 - MARCH BREAK!

A Miller Minute

Happy New Year!

We're back in the swing of things and excited for all the fun coming up in January!

December was a busy month. We had our District Volleyball Tournament, and both our boys' and girls' teams did an excellent job. A big thank you to Mr. Pearle, Mrs. Dragseth, and Mr. Stopa for their coaching and support.

Our amazing PAC organized both a Wolf Tree Coffee fundraiser and a Purdy's fundraiser. We're so grateful to our PAC for their time and effort, and to the generous families who supported these initiatives.

We also held our annual Christmas Concert, which showcased the many talents of our wonderful Tuc-el-Nuit students. Thank you to all our TeN staff for preparing the students for their performances, to Mr. Newson for being our DJ, and to Park Drive Church for generously providing their space.

January is shaping up to be fantastic! All classes will be heading out skating, basketball season has begun for both boys' and girls' teams, and Art Club, Garden Club, Knitting/Crochet Club, and Intramurals are all underway.

Thank you for your continued support—it's going to be an amazing 2026!

Sincerely, Shannon Miller

Our school's lending library of winter clothes is looking for more waterproof gloves and mitts in all sizes, but especially for our older students. If you find any items you don't use anymore, please consider donating it to the school.

Thank you!

BELL SCHEDULE

8:25 Warning Bell
8:30 Classes Start
10:40 to 10:55 Recess
12:15 to 1:05 Lunch
2:27 Dismissal
2:30 Busses Leave



Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 to 3:30pm

Messages received after 2:15pm may not be delivered.

Absent or Late? Phone 250-498-3415 or email our office lsanders@sd53.bc.ca We are carefully tracking absences.

What's Happening at Ten

Kindergarten Registration

Children who will be 5 years old by December 31, 2026 may begin their first year of Full Day Kindergarten in September 2026.

Registration is open from January 12 to March 13, 2025.

Please contact the school directly to register your child. More information below!





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SD53

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

2026-2027 Registration for Children Born in 2021:
January 12 to March 13, 2026

- Children who will be five years old by December 31, 2026, may begin their first year of Kindergarten in September 2026. These will be children who were born in 2021.
- Please bring your child's birth certificate and medical card with you, as well as proof of residency. Should you require further details, please contact your local school.
- Parents may defer the entry of their child into Kindergarten for one year but registration must occur in the following school year.
- Early registration assists the district with plans for September 2026. Also, Kindergarten spaces in a school may be limited and placement is done on a first come, first serve basis.

SCHOOL OFFICE INFORMATION

- CAWSTON PRIMARY**
250-485-4434
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- OKANAGAN FALLS ELEMENTARY**
250-497-5414
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- OLIVER ELEMENTARY**
250-498-3468
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- TUC-EL-NUIT ELEMENTARY**
250-498-3415
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- OSOYOOS ELEMENTARY**
250-485-4444
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- YOULEARN**
250-498-4597
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM



PICK UP and DROP OFF

Please ensure your child(ren) use the designated crosswalk during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. Crossing anywhere else is unsafe. Traffic is heavy on both sides of the road, and drivers cannot see students who step out between vehicles. Using the crosswalk is essential for everyone's safety.

Skating Schedule



2025-26 SKATING SCHEDULE - Sorted by TEACHER

| Teacher | Date & Time |
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| Clarke | Friday, January 9, 2026 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM |
| Clarke | Friday, January 16, 2026 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM |
| Clarke | Friday, January 23, 2026 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM |
| Clarke | Friday, January 30, 2026 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM |
| Dunlop | Monday, January 19, 2026 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM |
| Dunlop | Monday, January 26, 2026 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM |
| Dunlop | Monday, February 2, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Dunlop | Monday, February 9, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Gillick | Tuesday, February 3, 2026 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM |
| Gillick | Wednesday, February 11, 2026 1:15 PM - 2:00 PM |
| Johnston | Tuesday, February 17, 2026 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM |
| Johnston | Tuesday, February 24, 2026 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM |
| Johnston | Tuesday, November 18, 2025 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM |
| Johnston | Tuesday, November 25, 2025 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM |
| Livera | Monday, February 2, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Livera | Thursday, February 5, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Livera | Thursday, February 12, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Livera | Thursday, February 19, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Livera | Monday, February 23, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Livera | Thursday, February 26, 2026 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM |
| Pearle | Monday, January 19, 2026 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM |
| Pearle | Tuesday, January 20, 2026 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM |
| Simpson | Monday, January 5, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Simpson | Monday, January 12, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Simpson | Monday, January 19, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Sousa | Monday, January 5, 2026 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM |
| Sousa | Monday, January 12, 2026 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM |
| Sousa | Monday, January 19, 2026 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM |
| Spaurel | Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM |
| Spaurel | Thursday, January 8, 2026 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM |
| Teigen | Tuesday, February 10, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Teigen | Tuesday, February 17, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |
| Teigen | Tuesday, February 24, 2026 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM |

Parent
Advisory
Committee

Student Fees

A reminder to those who have not yet paid:

School fees include the cost of most school supplies, a student planner, activities & extra-curricular activities. The fees can be paid by cash/cheque to the office. We also accept e-transfers sent to tenoffice@sd53.bc.ca

Use the security question "What School?"
Answer set to "TENOFFICE"

Only this security question & answer will be accepted.

KG - grade 3 : \$70.00

Grades 4-6: \$90.00 / Grade 7: \$100.00

Replacement planner: \$5.00



TEN Tuesday
House
Points

Wear your TEN swag
every Tuesday to earn
weekly points for your
house team!

1135

1195

1202

1083

MEETING

PAC Meeting

Monday, Jan 12th
6pm in the library

Everyone Welcome!

Attendance Matters!

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

TEN School Day is 8:30-2:27

When a student misses **2** days a month

They miss **20 DAYS** a year (**10%** of the school year)

They miss **30 HOURS** of math instruction.

They miss **60 HOURS** of reading and writing instruction.

They will miss over **1 YEAR** of school by graduation.



When a student misses **4** days a month

They miss **40 DAYS** a year (**20%** of the school year)

They miss **60 HOURS** of math instruction.

They miss **120 HOURS** of reading and writing instruction.

They will miss over **2 YEARS** of school by graduation.



TUC-EL-NUIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

\$6 LUNCH MENU

Jan 5th – 30th

Jan 15th Lunch Lab - Teigen & Dunlop
Jan 28th - Half Day

Order online - tenpac.parentcouncil.net

Ordering opens on Dec. 11th and closes on Dec. 18th

Monday's

6 inch Veggie or Turkey & Cheese Sub from Subway

Tuesday's

Cheese or chicken quesadilla from Taco Rienda

Wednesday's

Homemade pasta from Crownest bakery in Cawston

Thursday's

Fresh from the TEN Garden for \$4!

Jan 8 - Creamy Squash Pasta w/bun and gingersnap cookie

Jan 15 - Cabbage Roll Soup w/bun and pumpkin tart

Jan 22 - Mexican Tortilla Lasagna w/bun and apple tart

Jan 29 - Pumpkin Gnocchi in Creamy Sauce w/bun and apple spice cookie

Friday's

Chicken or Veggie dumplings alternating weeks with Teriyaki Chicken or
Teriyaki Veggie chow mein from H&L Dumpling House

Looking for a way to give back? Become a 'SOARING SPONSER' and donate a lunch to our lunch program. E-transfer using - tenoffice@sd53.bc.ca (password: DONATION). Tax receipts available.

Literacy Week

@TEN

January 26th - 30th

All Week

Enter the "Reading Bingo" Contest!

Pick up a playing card in the library! Deadline Jan 30th

(Prizes for completed cards)

Drop Everything and Read

At any time during the day, you could be asked to Drop Everything and Read! Have a book ready :)

Stories You Can Taste

Bring in your favourite family recipe! We will put them together to create a recipe book! Deadline Jan 30th

Wednesday

Book Character Day

Dress as your favourite book character!

Friday

Book Swap

Bring in a book from home that you're ready to give away and pick a new one that someone else is done with! Leave your book in the front foyer



EAGLES VOLLEYBALL





It was a Merry Christmas Concert!



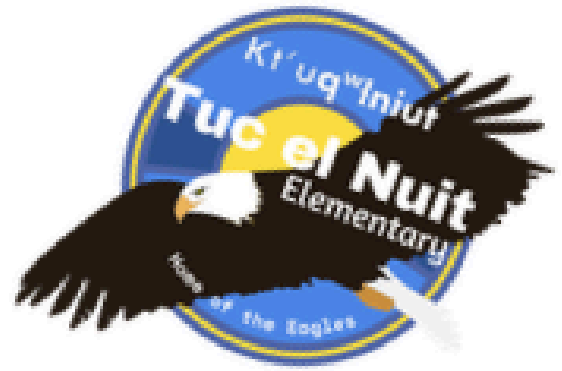




HOLIDAY HOOPLA!



Come
Join Us! @



LITTLE EAGLES

GAMES

STORY
TIME

PLAY TIME

WEDNESDAY

4:30-6PM

A simple
supper is
provided

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH
TO 6 YEARS OLD ARE WELCOME!

FUN



Is your child too sick for school?



Deciding when your child is too sick for school is not always an easy decision.

Children should not come to school if they are sick and unable to participate fully in routine activities. If you have questions and concerns about your child's health, talk with a qualified healthcare professional.

Keep children at home if they have:

- a fever, and keep them home for **24** hours after the fever is gone away without the help of medication (see reverse page on how to take a temperature).
- vomiting or diarrhea, and keep them home for **48** hours after the last episode.
- a severe sore throat.
- a rash with no known cause.
- a severe cough especially with other symptoms like a runny nose and headache.
- redness, swelling or discharge of the eyes, ears or skin, unless treated.
- been acting unwell and have little energy to join in school activities.

For questions about your child's health you can:

1. Dial 811 or go to [HealthLinkBC.ca](https://www.healthlinkbc.ca) to speak with a:

- Registered Nurse 24 hours a day, every day of the year.
 - Registered Dietitian every weekday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST. ·Pharmacist every night from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. PST every day of the year.
2. Contact an Urgent Care, Walk-in Clinic or Doctor's Office.
- See the reverse page on when to go to the emergency department.



Seasonal Respiratory Illness

In the fall and winter, we can expect to see more respiratory illness. This is an annual occurrence, but there are measures we can all take to prevent illness and manage symptoms while at home. Here is some information that may be helpful: [It's respiratory illness season](#).

For more information on specific illnesses see: [A Quick Guide to Common Childhood Diseases](#)



Is it an Emergency?

Having a sick child can be stressful, but not all illnesses require a visit to the emergency department. Find the right place to go for care.

| <u>Emergency Department</u> | <u>Urgent Care, Walk-in Clinic or Doctor's Office</u> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Difficulty breathing• Fever in infants younger than 3 months• Broken bone• Serious or severe burn• Vomiting or diarrhea with dehydration• Sudden change in mental state• Complicated or deep cut     | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fever or flu• Cough, cold, sore throat• Earache• Rash• Pink eye• Sprain or strain• Referral to specialist    |

[Information on when to bring your child to the Emergency Department](#)

Information on Taking a temperature:

HealthLinkBC [Fever or chills age 11 or younger](#) (has a symptom checker link)

HealthLinkBC [How to take a temperature: Children and Adults](#)

Canadian Paediatrician Society [Fever and temperature taking](#)

Canadian Pharmacist Association [Information for families on children's fever and pain medication](#)

JANUARY TO MARCH

Can Skate Registration



Open now!



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