



March 2026

Newsletter

"Learning without Limits"

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Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary School

Important Dates



- Mar 3:** Hockey Academy Charity Classic 1pm
- Mar 5:** Gr 6/7 tubing at Apex all day
- Mar 11:** TeN TALENT SHOW 12:30-2:15
- Mar 12:** Okanagan Similkameen Day (Grade 3's at OES)
- Mar 13:** St Patrick's Spirit Day, wear green!
- Mar 16-27** MARCH BREAK!

HELLO
SPRING



- Mar 30** Return to school
- Mar 30-April 24** Gymnastics
- April 3** Good Friday - No school
- April 6** Easter Monday - No school
- April 9** Half Day /Family Conferences 1-4 & 5-7
- April 10** Half Day - Dismissal @ 12 pm
- April 13** PAC Meeting 6 pm
- April 27** Class Pictures / Grade 7 photos
- April 29** Half Day/ Eagle Assembly @ 11 am



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

-For bus students: If your student will not be taking the bus after school, please notify the office.

-Drop Offs/Pick Ups: Please use the parking available in front of the school.
Please have students use the crosswalk!

A Miller Minute

It's March already—time really does fly when you're having fun! February was a full and exciting month at TEN. Our basketball teams were busy with exhibition games and wrapped up the season with strong performances at the district tournament on February 23rd. Our Grade 5/6 boys team won the banner! Go Eagles!

Although the lack of snow changed our usual winter activities, our students still made the most of the outdoors. We enjoyed beautiful hikes, plenty of skating, a bit of snowshoeing, and are looking forward to a fantastic day of tubing and skating at APEX. We're so fortunate to live in such a stunning place. Throughout February, our school took part in a month-long Kindness Challenge. Students were "caught" being bucket fillers over 200 times! We celebrated together and highlighted the importance of showing kindness every day.

We also enjoyed a dynamic Science World presentation on the science of sport, a wonderful performance by the Okanagan Symphony, and a fun Valentine's Day filled with Candygrams organized by Ms. Spaurel's Grade 6/7 class.

Ms. Simpson and Ms. Ante's Grade 6/7 class hosted another amazing Lunch Lab, showcasing delicious food grown right here at TEN.

Our PAC has been hard at work planning our 1st Annual TEN Golf Tournament. Look for more details about this exciting event in this newsletter!

With just two weeks until Spring Break, we still have plenty of activities ahead.

Wishing you a restful break, and thank you for everything you do to support our school and the meaningful work happening here. We are so grateful for our Eagle community.

Sincerely, Shannon Miller

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 five years old by December 31, 2026 may begin their first year of Primary (Full Day Kindergarten) in September 2026.

Registration is open!
Please contact the school directly to register your child.



Student Absences

A reminder to parents/guardians please call or email the Office in the morning to report if your child is absent or going to be leaving during the school day.



Lice Checks

A reminder to do routine lice checks on your child. For more information on how to treat lice see link: [head-lice-management.pdf](https://www.health.gov.bc.ca/interiorhealth.ca) ([interiorhealth.ca](https://www.health.gov.bc.ca/interiorhealth.ca)).



ten Tuesday
House
Points

1437

1390

1681

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

ten Garden

Our "mud kitchen" in the school garden provides many opportunities for creative and collaborative play. If you have any large servings spoons, ladles or mixing spoons that you no longer use, we will gratefully accept them for our garden. Thank you so much!



Family Conferences

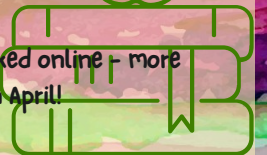
April 9th

1pm to 4pm

and

5pm to 7 pm

this year family conferences will be booked online - more information will come home in April!



Nsyilxcən Word of the

Month:

sc'l'c'al' or cc'l'c'al

(**sil - tal**)

MEANING
FOREST





TUC-EL-NUIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL \$6 LUNCH MENU

March 2nd – April 2nd

Spring Break March 16th – 27th

Dates to Consider:

March 5th - Grade 6 & 7 to Apex all day

March 12th - Grade 3 to Okangan Similkameen Day @ OES

Order online - [**tenpac.parentcouncil.net**](https://tenpac.parentcouncil.net)

[**Ordering opens on Feb 20th and closes on Feb 26th**](https://tenpac.parentcouncil.net)

Monday's

6 inch Veggie or Turkey & Cheese Sub from Subway

Tuesday's

Cheese or chicken quesadilla from Taco Riendo

Wednesday's

Homemade pasta from Crownest bakery in Cawston

Thursday March 5th

Fresh from the TEN Garden for \$4!

March 5th - Taco Salad with gingersnap cookie

Thursday Mar. 12 & Apr. 2

Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza from Marco's Pizzeria

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.

What's Happening at Ten

TEN PAC!
NEXT MEETING
APRIL 13TH @ 6PM

**St. Patrick's
School Spirit Day
Mar 13th**
Wear your best green
outfit!



TUC-EL-NUIT TALENT SHOW

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH

1- 2:15PM

FAMILIES WELCOME!

**No School
March 16th to 27th
for March Break!
See you on
March 30th!**

TEN ASSESSMENT & REPORTING

Proficiency Scale	Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
	The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.

Starting March 13th, your child's SPACES 'Reporting Space' will be open for you to view their mid-year snapshot. This is a summative report showing their progress to date. All ongoing assessment and evidence can be found on their SPACES Feed.

The Reporting Space will be open until Family Conferences on April 9th.

Lost & Found

Please have your child come and take a look for winter gear items that belong to them.

All unclaimed items will be sent to the Thrift Store.

Our garden is growing!



What's Happening at Ten

Student Learning Survey 2026

The annual Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. After Spring Break, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 and 7, their families, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the province - in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included. The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed at

<https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>

Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is secure. The survey can be accessed through the link "direct access" logon by selecting the school district and school name.

The e-survey site will be open until April 30th. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Lunch Lab!



Boys A & B Basketball Teams

WOW!



Thank you Mrs. Miller!



Thank you Mr. Stopa!

OUR BOYS B TEAM WERE SD#53 DISTRICT CHAMPIONS!

Girls A & B Basketball Teams

Thank you Mrs. LaCroix!



Thank you Mr. Pearle!





KG/1 Firehall visit



2/3 Bowling

2/3 Bowling



Ms. Sousa's Class Snowshoeing





FOOD BANK DRIVE

Our Hockey Academy Charity Classic Hockey Game
is collecting Food Bank donations!
Please bring in donations on or before March 6th!





February 23, 2026

Hello Everyone,

We are pleased to announce that this spring we will be hosting the 3rd Annual HCSA Oliver Charity Classic. The Charity Classic is an intersquad game that will be played on Tuesday, March 3rd at the Oliver Arena. Grades 1-7 classes from Oliver, TEN, the homeroom classes of the players from OK Falls, and Sen Pok Chin Elementary schools, as well as any parents are invited to attend.

The focus of the event is:

- To provide the Hockey Academy students with an opportunity to demonstrate the skills they have been working on throughout our sessions.
- To provide an influx of support to the Oliver Food Bank at a time of year when typically, there aren't many donations. Each person who attends the game is asked to donate a non-perishable food item as their admission to the game. The food items **from students** will be collected starting the week before the event at the schools, not at the rink! There will be a collection bin at the rink for any parents who attend.
- To promote school spirit amongst our schools.

The game will take place on March 3rd during our regular ice time (from 1:00-2:00). More information regarding an altered bell schedule will be provided closer to the event.

Thanks in advance for your support of this exciting event!

Hockey Academy Staff

Tucelnuit Elementary PAC
Presents the 1st annual:

GOLF

Tournament

2026

Mark your calendars!

**Additional Information
coming soon!**

On course contests & add ons:

- rent a pro \$5/shot
- buy mulligans \$2/per
- longest drive
- closest to the pin
- putting contest

Proceeds raised goes
towards learning
resources

Nk'Mip Canyon Desert Golf Course

AT
2:00pm shotgun start
18 hole scramble

June 6th, 2026
Saturday

\$120/pp
Groups of 4 required

To register email: tucelnuitpac@gmail.com

Registration Closes May 22nd 2026



“Celebration Of Traditions”

Pow Wow

April 17th & 18th, 2026

Southern Okanagan Secondary School

6140 Gala St, Oliver, BC, V0H 1T0

School District #53 Indigenous Education Committee Hosting

Host Drum – Smokey Valley

Second Host Drum - High Water

Emcee – Levi Bent

Arena Director – Lawrence Trottier

Admission is Free - Open to the Public

Dinner: Friday and Saturday 5:30pm

Breakfast: Saturday 9:00 - 11:00am

Friday Schedule: 10:00am - 2:30pm SD#53 students

Friday Evening: Open to the Public 7:00 - 11:00pm

Saturday Schedule: Open to the public 1:00 - 5:00pm & 7:00 - 11:00pm

Saturday Afternoon

Tiny Tot Special

By

Heaven N Earth

Native Art

All drum groups will receive an Honorarium
(minimum 4 singers and all drums must be registered)

Vendors Welcome: \$75.00 plus a Door Prize Donation

Contact Tara Havig for Booking: 250-498-4931 or thavig@sd53.bc.ca

For all other inquires, please contact Helen Gallagher: 250-498-4346

THIS IS A SMOKE AND VAPE FREE ZONE



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.
- vomiting or diarrhea, and keep them home for **24** 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

As we continue through the fall and winter, we can expect to see more respiratory illness. This is an annual occurrence, but there are measures we all can take to prevent illness and manage symptoms while at home. The most important measures are to get vaccinated, staying home when sick and follow general hygiene measures like hand washing. 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](#)

South OK Skating Club presents



Skating through **THE PAGES**

FRIDAY MARCH 13, AT THE OLIVER ARENA

DOORS OPEN AT 6:10PM - SHOW STARTS 6:30PM





OLIVER & DISTRICT RECREATION

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

2026



- 8:00–4:00 Daily
- Ages 5 – 12
- Outdoor Games
- Ninja-Nastics
- Arts & Crafts
- Visit Local playgrounds



\$145.00/WEEK

MAR 16 – 20

MAR 23 – 27

Register Online
oliver.ca/recreation



Over the Phone
250-498-4985





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FIRST STEPS U3-U8
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ਜਨਮ 2009-2018



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ਕੀ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਤਿਆਰ ਹੋ?

LOCAL PROGRAMS FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS.
ARE YOU READY?



WWW.PINNACLESFC.CA

Is Your Child Starting Kindergarten?



DID YOU KNOW YOUR CHILD NEEDS VACCINES?

Your child needs two vaccines starting at age 4 (kindergarten entry):

- The **Tdap-IPV vaccine** to protect against tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), and polio
- The **MMRV vaccine** to protect against measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella (chickenpox)

These vaccines are free.

Call to book your child's immunization appointment today!

- Contact your local health unit*
- Contact your health care provider†

* Health units are called public health units, community health centres, or primary care homes in some areas of B.C.

† Family doctors and nurse practitioners provide immunizations in some areas of B.C.

Vaccines are a healthy choice for your child. They protect your child's health and the health of their classmates.

HEALTH UNIT FINDER



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