

# St. Nicholas Weekly News

SEPT. 26-30TH, 2022

## DEAR FAMILIES,

We had a very successful Terry Fox run last week and raised \$473.25 for the Terry Fox Foundation.

Indigenous Ways of Knowing are steeped in a deep respect and connection to the land. We would like to encourage families to take the time on Truth and Reconciliation Day (Friday, September 30th) to find a spot in nature and take a moment to think about the impacts of residential schools and say a prayer for residential school survivors and those who were lost. On Thursday, September 29th students and staff are encouraged to wear orange to honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada.

God Bless,

Peter Rachmistruk

Principal



### Upcoming Important Dates:

- **Wednesday, September 28** - Hot Lunch (Nitza's Pizza)
- **Thursday, September 29** - Orange Shirt Day
- **Friday, September 30** - Truth and Reconciliation Day (no school)
- **Tuesday, October 4** - Bilingual Ukrainian Catholic Parent Society (BUCPS) AGM/meeting 7:00pm at St. Nicholas
- **Thursday, October 6** - Shumka matinee at the Jubilee (information was sent out last week)
- **Tuesday, October 11** - School Council AGM meeting 6:00pm at St. Nicholas

### Information

- Parents, please complete the student forms in Powerschool asap. We have some field trips coming soon, and your child will not be able to participate unless the forms are completed (ie. field trip consent form). Instructions on how to complete the forms are found here - [Completing Student Forms in Powerschool.pdf](#) If you are having any difficulties completing the forms, please contact Simone (secretary) at 780-467-3633 for assistance.
- Fees have now been posted in Powerschool. If you have any questions, please contact Simone (secretary) at school 780-467-3633.

- Saffron Centre and EICS Schools are hosting a free presentation for parents on internet safety and responding to online exploitation. Please click the link for more information - [Internet Safety Presentation.png](#)
- APPLE Schools now has monthly e-news for parents, offering fun and easy tips to enjoy wellness habits at home. [Check it out here!](#)

### **Davison Orchard Apple Fundraiser**

- St. Nicholas' Parent Council is happy to announce the return of our Davison Orchards Apple Fundraiser! These apples are fresh from the Okanagan, they keep well in a cool dry place, and are great for lunches, snacks and baking! This is one of our schools biggest fundraisers. With the sales of these apples we are able to supply our grade 4 leadership teams with their t-shirts.
- Once you have completed the order form please send an etransfer to [st.nicholaspac@gmail.com](mailto:st.nicholaspac@gmail.com) as soon as possible to complete your order. Please note that School Council's bank account has been set up to automatically deposit your etransfer so there is no password necessary. Orders will be accepted until 12:00pm on Wednesday, October 12th. If payment has not been received by October 12th your order will not be processed.
- \*\*\*We will only be accepting funds via etransfer this year in order to keep the fundraiser paperless and cashless. Cash and cheques WILL NOT be accepted, please DO NOT send payments to school with your children. Thank you for your cooperation!\*\*\*
- The apple pick-up date will be held on Tuesday, October 25th - more details to come on this.
- Please feel free to share the link below with family, friends or on social media to help make this fundraiser a great success for our school!
- ORDER FORM: <https://formfaca.de/sm/b94fDyoJp>

### **Faith Reflection**

Dear God, We grieve for Indigenous children who experienced residential schools, and those who died while in their care. We grieve for those who have been found, those who have yet to be discovered, and those who have been forever impacted by their experiences. Heavenly Father, help us to take this grief and turn it into action that works for healing and hope. Let this be a moment that changes and transforms us, that we might do more for the good of your children and the good of your world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



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**NATIONAL DAY FOR  
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RECONCILIATION**