



# Words from the Wolfpack

Tsuma-as Elementary Newsletter  
Ms. Girard, Principal

April 9, 2025  
Ms. Spring, Vice-Principal

## Picture



### Class Photos

Say Cheese! Class photos are taking place next Tuesday – April 15<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure your child arrives on time as we start right away at 8:35 am.

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## Egg Drop Challenge

We will be hosting our annual **Egg Drop Challenge** on **Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** from approximately 8:45 – 11:45 am. For this challenge, students are encouraged to design a device or container that securely holds an **uncooked egg**. This container will be dropped from a tall height and the challenge is to attempt to keep the raw egg safe, without cracking or breaking. Students who choose to participate will build their project at home.

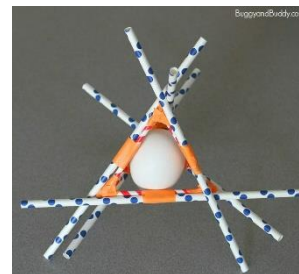


### Rules for this contest consist of:

1. Containers must stay within the size of 15cm x 30cm (approximately the size of a 4 L jug)
2. Use a **raw chicken egg** (supplied by home)
3. Eggs must be able to be removed to check for breakage (do not glue it to anything)
4. Do not fill contraptions with anything liquid or messy (water, gel, jello, slime etc.) This makes it very difficult to clean up.
5. Staff will drop the containers from the outside stair landing
6. All egg containers (and eggs) will be stored in the student's classroom on **April 17<sup>th</sup>**. Students will need to keep their containers with them in their classroom until their class egg drop time (see below)
7. **After the event, ALL eggs [including those that were not cracked or broken] will be thrown in the garbage. (no exceptions)**

### Tentative Egg Drop Schedule by class:

9:00 – 9:30	Parfitt, Scott, Nguyen
9:30 – 10:00	Arbanas, Martell, Coleman
10:35 – 11:05	Spring, Ralph/Redman, Misfeldt
11:05 – 11:25	Gaucher, Kynoch, Laslo
11:30 – 11:50	Tuck, Brooks, Anker



If parents would like to watch, we request parent spectators view the egg drop from the fence along Short Street at the back of the school yard. Please note this is a tentative schedule and times may adjust slightly.



## It's Book Fair Time!

### Book Fair

Our Spring book fair will be running April 29<sup>th</sup>-May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students will have an opportunity to browse during library time and students may bring home a "wish list" to show parents what they are interested in and the cost.

### The book fair will be open for buying on:

Tuesday April 29<sup>th</sup> - 2:20-3:30 pm

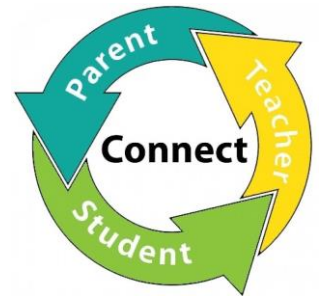
Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup> - 12:30- 3:30pm (open during learning conferences)

Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>- 12:30- 3:30pm (open during learning conferences)

Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 12:15-12:45 (bus students only)

## Early Dismissal & Student/Teacher/Parent Learning Conferences

Learning conferences will be taking place April 30<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup>. This means students will be dismissed at 11:50 am. Regular bus routes will remain (just leaving school earlier). Learning conferences may look different for each class. Some teachers will be sending home their own learning conference schedules, while others will be using our online system for parents to book their individual parent/teacher/student conferences.



*The following classes will have an email sent to families with instructions of how to schedule their learning conference.*

***Parfitt, Scott/Shannon, Nguyen, Spring/Wutke, Misfeldt, Laslo, Tuck, Brooks and Anker***

The following classes will NOT use our online booking system. Instead, each classroom teacher will send information home to parents/guardians explaining the structure of their learning conferences and the times they have been assigned. If you have any questions or would like to request a different time, please speak directly to your child's teacher. ***Arbanas, Martell, Coleman, Ralph/Redman, Gaucher and Kynoch***



### Jump Rope for Heart

Join Tsuma-as Elementary in supporting Heart & Stroke. Your help can make a difference!

We'll be jumping for a healthy future with Jump Rope for Heart at school on **Wednesday, May 7th!** From now until our event date, we will be fundraising for a great cause.

Did you know that 60% of kids aren't getting the recommended amount of physical activity? We'll be practicing healthy habits, and getting active, to protect our heart and brain health all while we are raising money in support of the Heart & Stroke Foundation!

The money we collect will fund life-saving research that will help other families who are living with heart disease and stroke. Please help us reach our fundraising goal of \$2000. If we work together and achieve our goal, we will earn a schoolwide reward. Stay tuned for exciting updates!!!!

Please click the link below to make a general DONATION or to REGISTER your child as a participant. Through this link friends and family can donate to specific participants and track their fundraising progress. Thank you in advance for your support.

[Tsuma-As Elementary School - Port Alberni | Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart](#)

### Did you hear? We are getting a new playground!

We would like to share some exciting news!! Our school has been selected to receive a new playground. The Ministry of Education has partnered with our School District to help fund a new playground structure for our school. Our hardworking PAC is also making a large donation towards our new playground. We are working with the planning teams to build in accessibility components to ensure all students and families can enjoy our new space. Stay tuned for more information!





## Sutra Sauces

Sutra Sauces are back! Indulge your taste buds while giving back to our school community with Sutra Sauces. Created with love and crafted with care, these delectable sauces offer a burst of flavor in every bite. With 4 flavors to choose from - Korma, Butter Chicken, Rose and Thai - there's something to satisfy every craving! These culinary delights are not only a treat for your palate but also a fantastic way to support our school. Every purchase goes towards funding initiatives that benefit our students! A HUGE heartfelt thank you goes out to the amazing Gill family for their unwavering support and generosity. Don't miss out on this opportunity to make a difference while enjoying some truly delicious sauces. This fundraiser starts April 29th and closes May 9th. Watch for order forms coming home soon!



**Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday May 6 @ 6 pm in the library.** Please enter through the side library doors (out front by the large tree). We invite ALL parents, guardians or family members. Come share your ideas or listen to upcoming events and school news!

## Upcoming Dates:

- April 15<sup>th</sup> – Class Photos (starting at 8:35am)
- April 17<sup>th</sup> – Egg Drop (morning only)
- April 18<sup>th</sup> – No School – Good Friday
- April 21<sup>st</sup> – No School – Easter Monday
- April 24<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Hearing Screening
- April 25<sup>th</sup> – Food Day (more info. to come)
- April 28<sup>th</sup> – No School – Pro D Day
- April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 9<sup>th</sup> – Sutra Sauces Sales
- April 30<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup> – Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am ~Learning Conferences
- Apr 29<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Book Fair
- May 6<sup>th</sup> – PAC Meeting @ 6 pm
- May 7<sup>th</sup> – Jump Rope for Heart
- May 14<sup>th</sup> – Welcome to Kindergarten Event
- May 19<sup>th</sup> – No School – Victoria Day
- May 26<sup>th</sup> – Pro D Day – No School for Students

