



September 30, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of September! Students have settled into academic routines and are getting very used to our new health and safety protocols. A reminder to please complete a [daily health check](#) prior to your child(ren) coming to school. Also, ensure reusable masks are washed regularly and packed as part of your child's daily school supplies.

*Orange Shirt Day* is recognized nationally and annually on September 30th. This date is significant as it is the time of year that children would be taken to residential schools. *Orange Shirt Day* was started by Phyllis Webstad, who is Northern Secwepemc (Shuswap) from the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation, to honour and recognize all those who attended a residential school because she believes that "Every Child Matters." You can read more about Phyllis' Story [here](#). Carson students took part in a lesson about the significance of this day during their morning classes today. I would like to thank Norman Guerrero and Sam George for helping to lead the Carson community in this very important dialogue. We value your voice, your story and your knowledge.

On another note, this year Carson is participating in the 40th anniversary of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope. Students, staff, and parents are encouraged to set aside some time to take a walk, run, hike, or bike ride for Terry. Several classes, including many PE classes, have participated in a walk/run in honour of Terry Fox. Students are encouraged to bring in toonies for Terry or fives for Fox to the main office. You can also show your support by donating to our school's online fundraising page:

<https://secure.terryfox.ca/registrator/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?TeamID=917077>.

There is also some information to share with those families who reside in Pemberton Heights. Note that we have worked with TransLink and there will be an 881 bus departing from 22nd & Phillips each school day at 9:10 am.

I would like to thank you for your support as we have worked through the school schedule and calendar for this year. We have highlighted upcoming dates below:

- October 1- Grade 12 Information Evening
- October 2- Curriculum Implementation Day (classes not in session)
- October 7- PAC Meeting
- October 8- DP Parent Night
- October 12- Thanksgiving Day (school closed)
- October 15- Service Delivery Model Switches for Q1 Classes
- October 23- Provincial Professional Development Day (classes not in session)





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- November 11- Remembrance Day (school closed)
- November 17- Last day of Quarter 1
- November 18- Quarter 2 Starts
- November 20- School-Based Professional Development Day (classes not in session)
- November 25- PAC Meeting

We would like to remind you of the following dates:

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
<b>Sept 14th - Nov 17<sup>th</sup></b> *Service delivery model switches on October 15th  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rotation 1 - Sept 14th - Oct 1st (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 2 - Oct 5th - Oct 26th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 3 - Oct 27th - Nov 16th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elective 1 - Sept 14th - Oct 14th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> <li>• Elective 2 - Oct 15th - Nov 16th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Elective)</li> </ul> Quarter 1 Review and Completion & Reports - Nov 17th	<b>Nov 18th - Jan 29th</b> *Service delivery model switches on December 17th  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rotation 1 - Nov 18th - Dec 7th (Grade 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 2 - Dec 8th - Jan 8th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 3 - Jan 11th - Jan 28th (Grade 8 Electives)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elective 1 - Nov 18th - Dec 16th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> <li>• Elective 2 - Dec 17th - Jan 28th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> </ul> Quarter 2 Review and Completion & Reports- Jan 29th	<b>Feb 1st - April 20th</b> *Service delivery model switches on March 4th  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rotation 1 - Feb 1st - Feb 19th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 2 - Feb 22nd - March 12th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 3 - March 29th - April 19th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elective 1 - Feb 1st- March 2rd (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> <li>• Elective 2 - March 4th - April 19th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> </ul> Quarter 3 Review and Completion & Reports- April 20th	<b>April 21st - June 23<sup>rd</sup></b> *Service delivery model switches on May 21st  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rotation 1 - April 21st - May 11th (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 2 - May 12th - June 1st (Gr. 8 Electives)</li> <li>• Rotation 3 - June 2nd - June 22nd (Grade 8 Electives)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elective 1 - April 21st - May 20th (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> <li>• Elective 2 - May 21st - June 22nd (Gr. 9&amp;10 Electives)</li> </ul> Quarter 4 Review and Completion & Reports- June 23rd

Note the late starts that were in place for some Wednesdays last year will not be occurring during the 2020-21 school year. We have placed all of our Staff Collaboration times during the Flex block and daily classes will start at 9:35.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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