



# TWAIN SULLIVAN ELEMENTARY

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## NEWSLETTER

September 2025

### Principal's Message

Welcome to Twain Sullivan Elementary School!

I look forward to this year, students growing in their knowledge, as well as learning and working with the amazing educational team at Twain Sullivan School.

We began our school year with fantastic weather, and our students are enjoying outside play and building school connections with friends. As autumn draws near, with spectacular forest colours and cooler temperatures, students are reminded to dress for the weather.

At Twain Sullivan, our staff pride themselves on creating a happy and healthy school where students feel a sense of belonging and connection to each other and to the adults in the building. Our team leads by example by taking care of our school, others and ourselves.

Please reach out to me or your child's teacher anytime!

We look forward to supporting students into a settled school routine that nurtures their social skills and provides rich, quality learning experiences.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Neto

### Reminders:

Outside supervision of students begins at 8:20 am.

**Moved? New mailing address? New phone number? Emergency Contact changes?**

Please advise us of any updates to your child's contact information as soon as

### TSE Staff 2025-2026

Neto, Mary	Principal	
<b>Teaching Staff</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Division</b>
Endacott, Clint	7	1
Mark, Rob	7	2
TBD	6	3
Elliott, Sam	5/6	4
Curley, Lloyd	5/6, PREP	5
Haftner, Jennifer	5/6	5
Mehr, Ashlyn	4/5, LIB	6
Vaughan, Jordyn	4/5, LST	6
Timms, Raquel	4	7
Grace Waddell	PREP	
Pottinger, Cindy	LST	
<b>Support Staff</b>		
Breuer, Deanna		
Chorney, Penny		
Clarke, Krystal		
Cloarec, Elisabeth		
Delvenne, Tyrelle		
Giesbrecht, Dana		
Harmati, Sherri		
Huson, Brittany		
Maser, Valerie		
Perreault, Brett		
Smith, Christine		
Winsor, Melissa		
Yeomans, Jamie		
<b>Secretary</b>		
Deacon-Rogers, Cheri		
<b>Custodians</b>		
Ophus, Roxanne		
Ophus, Sherry		

September Calendar	
3	9 to 11:30 am, Students attend
4	9 am to 2 pm, Students attend
5	9 am to 3:05, Students attend
10	First Pizza Day
12	Terry Fox Run (2:00 pm to 3:05 pm)
15	PICTURE DAY
25	Elementary Fun Soccer Tournament
26	COFI's Adventures in Forestry
29	Orange Shirt Day
30	Nat'l Day for Truth & Reconciliation – STAT
October	
3	TEK Day – Owen Lake
13	Thanksgiving STAT
22	Parent/Teacher Conference – Early Dismissal 2 pm
23	Parent/Teacher Conference – Early Dismissal 12 pm
23	Picture Retakes (10 am)
24	NID – No school for students
November	
7	No Stone Left Alone – Remembrance Day
10	NID – No school for students
11	Remembrance Day – STAT
December	
16	Winter Concert
19	Winter Movie Day
Non-Instructional Days (No School for Students)	
24	October
10	November
13	February
24	April
15	May
26	June

## School Lunch Program:

**Beginning Monday, Sep. 10, 2025**

**There is an important change regarding our school lunch program for the 2025–2026 school year.**

Due to the continued rise in food prices, we will **no longer** be able to provide free lunches to all students this school year. This decision was not made lightly. Over the past few years, we have worked hard to keep meal costs low, and we have absorbed many of the rising expenses. However, the increasing cost of ingredients, has made it necessary for us to adjust our approach in order to maintain the quality and availability of our meal program.

**Beginning September 2025, student lunch passes will be available for purchase at the school office. Each \$40 pass will be for 10 lunches (\$4.00 per lunch).**

Breakfast will continue to be provided free of charge thanks to support from the Breakfast Club of Canada.

Our schools recognize that some families are struggling in today's economy. ***Please do not hesitate to contact the school for support.***

We remain dedicated to providing healthy, nutritious meals to all our students and appreciate your partnership.

## Field Trips

Many classes will be going on field trips in the next few weeks. ***Please ensure all permission forms have been submitted before the event.*** Parent volunteers providing supervision and support on our field trips are always appreciated.

## SAFETY

### Visitor Sign In/Out

Dropping in? Please remember to sign in and out at the office.

## Pizza Day 🍕

**First Pizza Day: Sep. 10, 2025**

**Wednesdays:** Students can prepay for pizza in the office.


Orders will be taken with attendance on Wednesdays.

\$3/slice. Pepperoni, Cheese, Hawaiian, Cheesy Garlic Fingers, cheese pizza without sauce, and Gluten-free Cheese

## Parking


Please respect the no-parking signs and barricades in the parking lot. Keeping these areas clear ensures that children are visible when they walk to their parents' vehicles.

## ATTENDANCE – SAFEARRIVAL




### REPORTING YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE


Whether it's an illness, medical appointment or other important event, there are times when students may need to be away from school. SDS4 (Bulkley Valley) is introducing a new method for parents to report their child(ren)'s absences. Using the SafeArrival system, parents will be able to report daily absences, and even schedule absences in one of three ways:



833-829-5808  
Call toll-free before 9:20AM to report an absence



Log onto the web portal following the address below. Using this website, you can set up your account to report and schedule absences.  
<https://home.schoolmessenger.ca/#login>



SM Home App  
Using your smart phone or tablet. Simply download the SM Home - SchoolMessenger app. The app is compatible with both Apple and Android devices.  
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Please report all absences prior to 9:20AM for the current day. If your child has an upcoming appointment, you can also schedule future absences by using one of these three methods.



## Looking for a family doctor or nurse practitioner?

The Health Connect Registry can help



Register yourself, your family or others under your care. When a provider becomes available, you will be contacted.

Telephone assistance is available by calling HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1, or for the deaf and hard of hearing, 7-1-1.



Go to [healthlinkbc.ca/hcr](https://healthlinkbc.ca/hcr)

Translation services are available.

2025-26 School Day Schedule		
Morning	8:55 AM First Bell	9:00 AM Class Starts
Recess	10:30 AM	10:45 AM
Lunch Break	12:15 PM - 12:30 PM Eating period	12:30 PM - 1:05 PM Outside Activity
3:05 pm - dismissal for all students		
2:00 pm, Thursday - dismissal for all students		