

# TAIT TIGER NEWS

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## From the Office

### Notice of Late Return

For those families who are making summer vacation plans and are not expected to return to school by 12:00pm Wednesday, September 7th, please ensure you complete a Notice of Late Return Form by June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. A place at Robert J. Tait School WILL NOT be held for your child if you are away beyond Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. See the 'Notice of Late Return' attached as a document in the same email as this Newsletter. Please complete the Notice of Late Return and give it to the school office. You can also email the Notice of Late Return to the following email address: [tait@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:tait@sd38.bc.ca)



### End of the Year Events

**Fit and Fun Day (Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>)** – Will be held outside on the school field. This day will be weather permitting. Parents are invited. Order your Fit and Fun Day Hot Lunch from White Spot through the MunchaLunch website now. <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Tait>

Fit and Fun Day will begin at 9:00am and will conclude at 1:30pm. *Students will be dismissed from school to go home at 1:30pm on Fit and Fun Day.*

We will celebrate our Grade 7 students at our **Grade 7 Farewell Assembly on Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>**. This assembly will be in-person and will start at 10:45am. Grade 7 Parents only are invited to attend the Farewell Assembly. Unfortunately we will not be able to have friends or extended family members attend because we are trying to manage the number of people attending to keep everyone safe and comfortable. Following the Farewell Assembly, the Grade 7s will be treated to a special lunch.

We will end the year with our **Recognition and Appreciation Assembly on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**. This assembly will be in-person and will start at 11:00am. At this assembly, we will recognize and celebrate our student volunteers and thank the PAC Executive for their work this year. We will also say thank-you to the Tait Staff Members and PAC parents who will be leaving our school at the end of this year.

# Body Science Parent Workshop – Thursday June 2nd



The Body Science Parent Presentation, hosted by the RJ Tait PAC, takes place on Thursday, June 2nd. This Parent Workshop will take place on Zoom and will start at 6:30pm. The parent workshop is a precursor to the student presentations at RJ Tait on Tuesday, June 7th. The Zoom Link, Meeting ID and Passcode are listed below.

Parenthood never arrives with a rulebook, and when it comes to explaining the world of sexual health to your child, it can be hard not to end up a bright shade of red. Using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will show you how easy it is to convey healthy, positive messages about sexual health to kids. The Tait PAC is looking forward to hosting the BodyScience Boot Camp for Parents on June 2nd via Zoom and in person sessions for the kids on June 7th.

In this workshop parents will learn:

- Why we need to talk to children about sexual health at a young age
- How to reduce risk of child sexual abuse
- What children should know at each stage of development, with specific examples of how to explain concepts and processes
- How to become their kids' preferred source of sexual health information
- How to normalize open, honest sexual health conversations in their family
- How to effectively answer even the toughest questions kids ask
- What will be covered in Body Science workshops for students
- This workshop will be delivered via live Zoom June 2nd at 6:30PM (See details below and the zoom link)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86752100929?pwd=aDkzNVciNmVVL1lwbHg5WHV4Q2RtQT09>

Meeting ID: 867 5210 0929

Passcode: 692299

## **Covid19 Health Protocols and Sickness**



*We can work together to minimize the number of students and staff who are ill if we remember some very simple guidelines and strategies.*

- *If you believe your child is coming down with a cold or the flu, keep them home until they have recovered. Your child will recover more quickly and we will not have others in the school also becoming ill.*
- *DO NOT send students to school who have a constant cough or runny nose, who have a fever, or who have vomited in the last 24 hours.*

*Children who come to school sick will be sent home. Parents will be contacted by the school office to come to the school to pick up their child.*

Hand Washing

- *Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly, especially before eating, after using the washroom, and after blowing their nose. At the school, we will continue to have children wash their hands multiple times each day.*

## Mask Wearing

· *Recently, the Provincial Health Authority issued a change in expectations for wearing masks inside the building for students in grades K to 7. All students now have a choice to wear a mask inside the school.*

*Please follow the Mandatory Daily Health Declaration each day (see the end of this newsletter)*

*Thank-you for your help to keep everyone at Tait Elementary safe and healthy.*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup></li> <li>• Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Friday June 10<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Friday June 17<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Monday June 20<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Friday June 24<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Body Science Parent Presentation on Zoom (6:30pm)</li> <li>- Body Science Student Sessions</li> <li>- Kindergarten and Grade 6 Immunizations through VCH</li> <li>- Fit and Fun Day</li> <li>- Gr. 6/7 Band Concert @ 10:50am</li> <li>- Grade 7 Farewell Assembly (10:45am)</li> <li>- Student Progress Reports Sent Home for all Divisions</li> <li>- Recognition and Appreciation Assembly (11:00am)</li> <li>- Last Day of School for Students</li> <li>- School Administrative Day – School Office is Open</li> </ul> |
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## Mandatory Daily Health Declaration Process for Staff and Students

KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fever (above 38°C)</li> <li>• Chills</li> <li>• Cough</li> <li>• Difficulty Breathing</li> <li>• Loss of sense of smell or taste</li> </ul>	<p><b>If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms:</b> Stay home and get a health assessment.</p> <p>Contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sore throat</li> <li>• Loss of appetite</li> <li>• Headache</li> <li>• Body aches</li> <li>• Extreme fatigue or tiredness</li> <li>• Nausea and vomiting</li> <li>• Diarrhea</li> </ul>	<p><b>If yes to 1 symptom:</b> Stay home until you feel better.</p> <p><b>If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms:</b> Stay home for 24 hours.</p> <p>If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.</p>
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL	WHAT TO DO
<p>Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?</p>	<p><b>If yes:</b> All students and staff who have travelled outside of Canada are required to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival under both provincial and federal orders.</p> <p>This includes students who are attending school from abroad. Students from outside of Canada should plan to arrive in Canada at least two weeks before they are scheduled to attend school to adhere to the self-quarantine orders. Additional information is available at: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/travel/self-quarantine">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/travel/self-quarantine</a>.</p>
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
<p>Have you been contacted by public health and notified that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?</p>	<p><b>If yes:</b> Please follow the instructions provided by Public Health. You can call 8-1-1 anytime to get advice about how you are feeling and what to do next. Pay attention to how you are feeling. If it becomes harder to breathe, you can't drink anything or feel much worse, seek urgent medical care at an urgent care clinic or emergency department.</p>

Check your symptoms with the [K-12 Health Check](#). If you have any questions, or the symptoms get worse, contact your healthcare provider, or call 8-1-1. For more information on COVID-19, please go to [www.bccdc.ca](http://www.bccdc.ca). If you develop severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing (e.g. struggling to breathe or speaking in single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.