# *VERNON RIVER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL*

## *Parent Newsletter #2*

## *Tuesday, September 22nd, 2026*

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**Chrissy Appleby, Principal** **Lori Targett, Vice-Principal**

**Join Us for a Special Afternoon of Community & Celebration (Friday, September 25th):**
On **Friday, September 25th at 1:00 PM** in our Gymnasium we are combining four exciting events into one incredible afternoon, and we can't wait to celebrate with our school family. Here is what we have planned:

- **Student of the Month:** Each month we gather in the gym to celebrate some of our VRCS students with a special presentation.
- **Terry Fox Walk:** Walk alongside our students and staff as we honor Terry Fox's incredible legacy, raise awareness, and support cancer research. Dress for the weather; we go out even if it rains!
- **Grand Opening of Our New Community Walking Track:** Help us officially thank our generous sponsors, cut the ribbon and take our first steps on our brand-new walking track!
- **Meet the Staff:** Get to know the teachers, educational assistants, and support team who are dedicated to guiding and supporting your children this year.

We encourage all students and attending family members to show off their school pride by wearing **School Spirit Wear or school colors**.

We look forward to seeing you there to walk, connect, and celebrate together!

**School Pictures:** School pictures are scheduled for Monday, September 28th. On picture day, students will bring home a personal QR code that can be scanned with your mobile device to instantly view your child's portrait gallery! The printed proofs have been discontinued. Please see the picture day flyer on the school's website. Please note: School picture retakes are scheduled for Tuesday, October 13th.







**Orange Shirt Day:** This day raises awareness and honors the children of Residential Schools, their families and communities. Please consider participating in Orange Shirt Day at VRCS on Tuesday, September 29th.

**Grade 6 HPV/Grade 9 Immunizations:** Immunizations for grade 6 and grade 9 students are scheduled for Monday, October 5th (morning).

**No Classes:** Parents are reminded there will be no classes on the following dates:

**Wednesday, September 30th** - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
**Monday, October 12th** - Thanksgiving

**Zone 4 Cross Country Meet:** The Zone 4 cross country meet (Pre-Novice–Bantam) will be held on Thursday, October 8th at Southern Kings Consolidated School (rain date is October 9th). Students participating will receive information/permission slips from Ms. Adams.



**Vision Care Program for Elementary Eye Care (PEEC):**

- Families need to register their child and/or children online at HealthPEI.ca/VisionCare to confirm eligibility.
- The PEEC is available to students who are enrolled in or eligible to be enrolled in grades one through six and possess a current PEI Health Card.
- PEEC covers annual eye exams and up to three prescription pairs of glasses per student during elementary school. It covers up to $300 for single vision lenses and up to $350 for specialty or bifocal lenses.
- Operating as a payor of last resort, the PEEC will cover the full cost of eye exams once other financial resources (including private insurance) have been utilized.
- https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/news/health-pei-launches-program-to-enhance-vision-care-for-elementary-students

**School Therapy Occupational Thereary (OT) Program:** Please see the letter on the school's website from Rebecca Murray, Occupational Therapist, School Therapy OT Program.