TOMSETT NEWS

June 2023



Only a handful of school days left until we bring the 2022 - 2023 school year to an end. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of our students on another terrific school year at Tomsett. Although the world around us continues to change, we have continued to strengthen and build the important relationships with each other that bring us together and make us family. Our school remains a great place for children to "Learn to Be Me". Our wish for all of you as we break for the summer, is that you take the opportunity to enjoy time with each other and the world around us. It has been our pleasure to work with your children this year and we look forward to continuing this journey in September.



Farewell To Our Staff Members

Each year, for a variety of reasons, we have to say farewell to some of our staff members. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication to our students and school community and wish them the very best in their future endeavours.



Mr. Harris, Division 2, Teacher



Ms. Parmar, Division 3, Teacher



Ms. Jackson, Division 7, Teacher



Ms. Syed, Division 14, Teacher



Ms. Goldgewicht-Nissyn, Division 15, Teacher



Mr. Bautista, Band / Music Teacher





We Are Used To Construction - No "Big" Deal

As some of you may have read in the newspaper, our neighbourhood continues to grow. As a result, our recently constructed addition is full and we need more space. The solution - adding portables.

Starting on Wednesday, June 14th, our school will once again be under construction, although no where near the same size of the project we recently completed. Here is what you can expect:

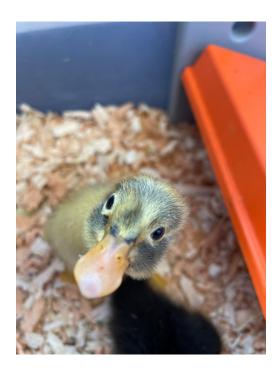
- the west side of the school will be closed to foot traffic with temporary fencing. Students accessing the portable (Ms. Jackson's class) will need to walk through the school and out the back door.

- the two trees we wrote to you about last month will be removed
- a new waterline will be installed underground on the west side of the school for a new fire hydrant to be put in near the existing portables
- the picnic tables will temporarily be off limits / not assessable
- the tetherball poles and basketball nets will be removed from the west and north side of the school
- excavation of the topsoil and prepping ground for installation of new portables
- installation of two portables
- installation of asphalt around the portables

As we did with prior construction, we will be informing the children of what is happening and their safety is our top priority.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the school.

We've Gone "Quackers"!!!



Over the last 30 days, we have been anxiously awaiting the arrival of Tomsett's newest members. Thanks to Nanny McCluckens Chick Hatching Experience, our students have had the chance to learn about duck eggs and ducks. On the weekend, we welcomed three ducklings into our school community. These little ducklings have quickly captured all of our hearts. There has been a whole lot of learning up to now. Our little friends are with us until Friday, at which time they will be returned to their farm in Coquitlam.

A HUGE thank you to Mrs. Parvez for taking on this project and for sharing this experience with our students.



Did You Lose Your Keys?

Recently, a Nissan key fob and garage door open were turned into our office. As we know these fob's are **expensive to replace**, we wanted to see if it belongs to one of our parents. Please stop by the office and describe the fob, opener and any attached keys and we'll be happy to reunite you with them.



Our New PAC Executive

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our current PAC Executive for their hard work and support this year, especially **Susan Tran**, **Maggie Choi** and **Chuen Mak**. We would also like to thank all of our parent volunteers who have helped provide Hot Lunch and do various tasks around the school.

Our newly elected PAC Executive for the 2023-2024 school year is:

Co-Chairs: Helen Kim and Emily Kwan Co- Treasurers: Amy Lam and Gloria Tang Co-Secretaries: Tammy Wang and Ivy Poon



Our Breakfast Club will be coming to and end on **Wednesday, June 21st**, one week from today. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Ferreira for organizing and managing this important program for our students. In addition, I would like to thank our teachers and educational assistants who volunteer their time in the mornings to support our kids.

Next year, we may look at having some parents come in and help support the program. If you are looking for a way to volunteer in the school, this may be something you would like to consider.



Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Important Dates for 2023 – 2024

Tuesday, September 5 - First Day of School Tuesday, September 12 – Meet The Teacher (6:00 p.m.) Thursday, September 21 - Terry Fox Run (2:00 p.m.) Friday, September 22 - Pro-D Day Friday, September 29 – Individual Photo Day Monday, October 2 - Truth and Reconciliation Day Thursday, October 5 – World Teacher Day Monday, October 9 - Thanksgiving Holiday Wednesday, October 18 - Parent / Teacher Conferences (1:45 p.m. dismissal) Thursday, October 29 - Parent / Teacher Conferences (1:45 p.m. dismissal) Friday, October 20 - Pro-D Day Monday, October 30 – Photo Retake Day Friday, November 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly (10:45 a.m.) Monday, November 13 - Remembrance Day Holiday Friday, December 1 - Pro-D Day Thursday, December 21 - First Term Reports Home Friday, December 22 - Last Day of Classes - Winter Break Monday, January 8 - School Resumes Friday, February 16 - Pro-D Day Monday, February 19 - Family Day Holiday Wednesday, February 21 – Parent / Teacher Conferences (1:45 p.m. dismissal) Thursday, February 22 – Parent / Teacher Conferences (1:45 p.m. dismissal) Wednesday, February 28 - Wear Pink/Anti-Bullying Day Thursday, March 14 - Last Day of Classes - Spring Break Friday. March 29 - Good Friday Holiday Monday, April 1 - Easter Monday Holiday Tuesday, April 2 - School Resumes Friday, April 19 – Pro-D Day Thursday, May 16 - Welcome to Kindergarten Friday, May 17 - Pro-D Day Monday, May 20 - Victoria Day Holiday Friday, June 21 - Sports Day (1:45 p.m. dismissal) Wednesday, June 26 - Recognition Assembly Thursday, June 27 - Report Cards Home Thursday, June 27 - Farewell Assembly (1:15 p.m.) / Last Day for Students Friday, June 28 – Admin Day

Note: Holidays / Non-Instructional Days are in BOLD

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