

# TOMSETT ELEMENTARY

FEBRUARY 2025



## The Week Ahead

*February*

### **Monday 24**

Hot Lunch  
Breakfast Club

### **Tuesday 25**

### **Wednesday 26**

Breakfast Club  
Pink Shirt Day  
Early Dismissal @ 11:50am -  
Learning Conferences

### **Thursday 27**

### **Friday 28**

Last day of Breakfast Club  
Family Band Concert  
for Div 1 - 4 @ 1pm

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## Learning Conferences

This week, our teachers are actively engaging with all our families to discuss students' learning progress.

If you haven't scheduled a meeting yet, please reach out to your teacher.

Be sure to verify your appointment time and arrive on time to make the most of your conference.



## Upcoming Events

- Feb 26: Pink Shirt Day, Mural Silent Auction & Conferences Early Dismissal @ 11:50am
- Feb 28: Family Band Concert 1-2pm
- Mar 3: Renewable Energy Presentation. Div. 1, 2, 3 & 8
- Mar 4: Mural Cookie Day (\$1/cookie)
- Mar 4: MacNeill Gr. 6/7 Basketball Tournament
- Mar 5: Tropical Day
- Mar 12: PAC Meeting (Virtual)
- Mar 14: Last Day of School before Spring Break

# TOMSETT'S MURAL FUNDRAISER

**GOAL: \$8500**

**WE ARE ONLY \$2000  
AWAY FROM OUR GOAL!**

**HELP FILL UP OUR  
PAINT BUCKET!  
BRING YOUR DONATIONS  
- BIG OR SMALL -  
UNTIL MARCH 14TH**

**THANK YOU TO PAC FOR  
DONATING \$3000 AND TO  
ARTS IN THE CLASSROOM FOR  
DONATING \$3500!**

**TOMSETT IS EXCITED TO WORK WITH  
LOCAL ARTIST LAURA KWOK TO  
CREATE A MURAL FOR OUR SCHOOL!**

**TOMSETT ELEMENTARY**  
9671 ODLIN ROAD

**HELP US TURN THIS  
INTO SOMETHING  
BEAUTIFUL!**

**EVERY STUDENT  
FROM K - 7 WILL HAVE A  
CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE BY  
SHARING THEIR IDEAS,  
PREPPING MATERIALS AND  
PAINTING THE MURAL!**



**LEARN MORE ABOUT LAURA**

<https://laurakwok.com/murals/>



# **TOMSETT ELEMENTARY** **MURAL**

**SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER**

**FEB 25 - 27**

**HELP US REACH OUR  
GOAL!**

**BID ON ART PRINTS BY  
LAURA KWOK.**

**WINNING BIDDERS WILL  
BE CONTACTED ON  
FEBRUARY 28.**



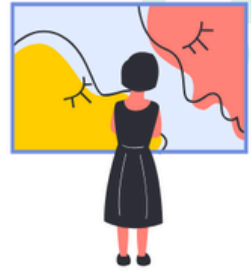


# What is a Silent Auction?

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## Check out the Art

Come in after school and check out the art prints that are up for auction in our foyer on February 25th, 26th, and 27th.



2

## Place Your Bid

See something you like? Bid on your favourite print by writing down your name, email address and amount you're willing to pay for the item.



3

## Check on your Bid

Increase your bid if needed. The bidder who has the highest recorded bid on February 27th at 4 pm gets to purchase the print!



4

## Check your Email

Check your email on February 27th to see if you had a winning bid! Come to the library to pick up your art print and pay for it (cash only) by March 5th.



5

## Feel Good

Watch our mural come to life and know that you had a part in creating an amazing opportunity for Tomsett Students!



**ONLY ADULTS MAY BID**



**BY BIDDING, YOU AGREE TO PURCHASE THE PRINT**



**ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE TOMSETT MURAL**



# KEEPING KIDS HOME WHEN SICK



We have had a number of students who have vomited, experienced stomach pain, and feeling very warm with body chills at school over this last week. If your child is feeling unwell, please keep them at home.

If you and your spouse work, I suggest you have a Plan B in place when your child becomes sick (eg. making arrangements with extended family or your employer when these situations arise).

When children vomit at school, guidelines given to us by Vancouver Coastal Health require children to **stay home for a whole 24 hours before returning** (so missing the next school day).

While many children may vomit for a variety of reasons, we are not medical professionals and through an abundance of caution, send all children home. We do not want to take any chances at making others sick.

**Thank you for your help in keeping our school safe and healthy for all!**



## RECONCILIATION, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION DATES

### FEBRUARY 15

### Black History Month

- 17 Family Day
- 20 World Day of Social Justice
- 21 International Mother Language Day
- 26 Maha Shivaratri
- 26 Pink Shirt Day
- 28 Ramadan Begins (Ends March 29)

# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

## Parenting Webinars!!!

The school district is offering a series of parent education nights to address online awareness and digital citizenship. It is absolutely crucial that parents understand the danger of the internet, even when it just looks like a game. So please save the date, more information to follow.

- **Tues, Feb 25, 2025**

- **Reclaiming Play: Revitalizing childhood to combat anxiety and aggression.**



Registration link: [https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=mm\\_zj9hyJkWPzpJxkJGm7DaKim2sOBpMiIM2iB1nVKhURDIDSUtGWDFHNDk2VzhTVUIISVZNNFpFMC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=mm_zj9hyJkWPzpJxkJGm7DaKim2sOBpMiIM2iB1nVKhURDIDSUtGWDFHNDk2VzhTVUIISVZNNFpFMC4u)

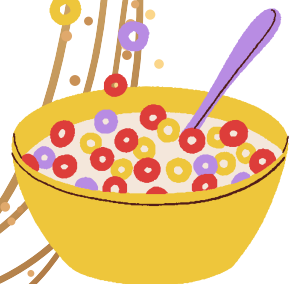
- **Tues, Apr 8, 2025**

- **Cybersafe from Exploitation**

## Breakfast Club

The final day for Breakfast Club  
before Spring Break is Friday,  
February 28th.

If you come to breakfast club, please  
make arrangements for March.



# NOMINATED Kindness Person OF THE DAY



Feb 3, Hanni Cen, Div 10

Although this is her first year at Tomsett, she exemplifies kindness and inclusive behaviour towards everyone. She is the first to offer to be someone's partner and the first to help a classmate if they are lonely or sad. She shows patience and friendship to all!



Feb 4, Christopher Wong, Div 20

At the community fridge, after taking his own snack, he kindly kept the door opened for older grade 4 boys (that he didn't know) to get their snacks.



Feb 5, Alianna Andres, Div 7

Ali went above and beyond to support a student who was struggling in the library today. She slowed down, explained what needed to be done and helped her make her decision.





### Feb 6, Wren Lee, Div 17

She always speaks kindly to her classmates and friends and always makes sure everyone is included during play times! She goes out of her way to ask other classmates to join in with her and her friends!



### Feb 7, Micah Ling, Div 6

Micah is always kind and patient with his classmates. He is super positive and fun to be around!



### Feb 10, KM, Div 18

KM has shown kindness to her peers and teachers through helping others when needed and being friends with everyone. For example, when her classmates are not feeling great, she tries to help them feel better by offering a hug or saying kind words.



### Feb 11, Mikayla Padilla, Div 7

Mikayla is consistently helping her classmates and quietly supporting others. She is always kind to all.





Feb 12, Joshua Chung, Div 6

Joshua, without prompting or being asked, went above and beyond to help his peers and teacher to clean up during ADST.



Feb 13, Leia Wong, Div 2

Leia goes out of her way to help with jobs in the library and classroom! She is always the first to volunteer when help is needed. She is respectful to all and speaks politely to everyone.



Feb 18, Martin Wong, Div 1

Martin stays behind at the end of the day to help stack all the chairs. After band, he also volunteers to help put away band equipment for other classmates.



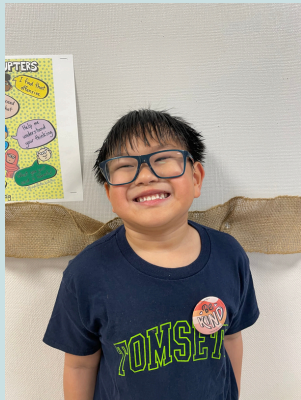
Feb 19, Frances Tordoff, Div 16

Frances is a kind friend to other students by helping them get ready for recess, helping them understand the task instructions and colouring. During library, she'll also volunteer to read to other classmates.



## Feb 20, Tarik Sonmez, Div 3

Tarik is always kind to his classmates, he is a great big buddy and helps out around the school whenever he can. Tarik is always respectful and goes out of his way to make people feel included.



## Feb 21, Brilie Montoya, Div 16

Brilie helps his table group unstack their chair every morning willingly with a big smile on his face! He likes it when others are happy, Brilie has a really kind heart.

At the heart of our community, lies the spirit of kindness, which continues to blossom through random acts of kindness and unprovoked actions that truly embody the **Tomsett spirit**. With more nominations for these heartwarming deeds pouring in, it is evident that together, we are creating a better, more compassionate environment for everyone.

Each act, no matter how small, contributes to a greater sense of unity, reminding us all of the power of kindness to uplift and inspire. By celebrating these acts and encouraging others to join in, we are nurturing a great community where everyone feels valued and supported.

Let us continue this beautiful journey of kindness, knowing that every gesture strengthens the bonds that hold us together.





## Baking with Div 2

In Division 2, the students had a fantastic time learning essential cooking skills while making delicious pizzas. The excitement in the kitchen was palpable as they gathered ingredients, kneaded dough, and topped their creations with a variety of colourful toppings. Each student embraced the opportunity to express their creativity, experimenting with different flavours and designs. Not only did they learn how to prepare a meal, but they also developed teamwork and communication skills by working together. The laughter and joy they shared during this fun-filled cooking session made it a memorable experience, fostering a love for cooking that will last a lifetime.

