

TOMSETT ELEMENTARY

MAY 2025

The Week Ahead

Monday 12

Hot Lunch

Div 1-8 Track Assembly 2:05pm

Tuesday 13

Div 15&17 Science World

9:15-130pm/ Div 18&19 Richmond

Nature Park 10:45-1:15pm

Wednesday 14

Hot Lunch

Animal Day/ Track Meet at
Minoru Gr. 4-7

Thursday 15

Welcome to Kindergarten 9-12pm

Gr. 7's to MacNeill Secondary 9-
1:30pm

Div 11 & 20 Firehall Charity activity

Friday 16

Pro D Day No School

Race For Kids - May 13 Practice Cancelled

Our students have started practicing for the big race. They have already raised over \$7000 for BC Children's Hospital! AMAZING!!!

Please note that **practice on MAY 13 is CANCELLED** due to a teacher's AGM meeting. Other practice dates remain the same. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Chan @ lchan@sd38.bc.ca

Upcoming Events

- May 19: Victoria Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL
- May 20: Div 1 & 2 Planetarium/ Div 20 & 21 Science workshop/ Poultry in Motion K-3 All Day
- May 21: Mural Unveiling Ceremony 10:30am
- May 22: Hearing Screening 9am/Div 21 Firehall/ Div 4 Artwalk at Alexander Park/Missy D Performance for Intermediate (Core French)
- May 23: Div 18 & 19 Richmond Nature Park
- June 4: Grade Colour Day
- June 5: Glanford Middle School Band Performance
- June 6: Band Concert

Contact Info

Email: Tomsett@sd38.bc.ca

Phone: 604 668 6448

Class Placement Request for 2025/26 School Year

Each year at this time, we begin to make school organization plans for September based upon the number of students we know are returning and new registrations. Before school ends in June, your child's current classroom teacher, resource staff, educational assistants and administration will work together to place students for the upcoming school year. These plans are tentative until the first week in September when final student numbers are known.

As you can understand, this process is quite complex, as many unique factors must be considered.

If you wish to share any information or consideration regarding your child's placement for the next year, you are invited to complete the form at the following link by **Friday, May 30th**:



<https://forms.office.com/r/GGcSjPZ0sx>



RECONCILIATION, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION DATES

MAY 15

Asian Heritage month; Jewish Heritage month; Speech and Hearing month

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| 5 | Dutch Heritage Day; Red Dress Day |
| 10 | Bear Witness Day |
| 12 | Wesak/Buddha Day |
| 16 | District Wide Indigenous Learning Focus Day |
| 17 | International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia |
| 18-24 | Anti-Racism Awareness Week |
| 19 | Victoria Day |
| 21 | World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue Development |
| 23 | Anniversary of Komagata Maru |
| 25 | National Accessibility Week |
| 27 | Richmond School District Indigenous Achievement Ceremony |



GOODBYE *Mrs. Lang*

LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS AT TOMSETT

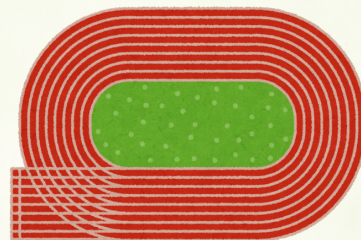


For over 8 years, Mrs. Lang has shared her energy, wisdom, enthusiasm, and leadership with the Tomsett Community. Mrs. Lang will be transitioning to a new Vice Principal role at DeBeck Elementary, beginning July 1, 2025. We have been fortunate to walk alongside Mrs. Lang, learning from her and sharing our insights with her. Mrs. Lang has taught primary and gym preps, and she knows every child and almost every family. We will miss her smile, her quickness, her willingness to help anyone, and her enthusiasm at any time. We wish Mrs. Lang the best of luck in her new role, and we know she will come back and visit often.

We welcome Ms. Cori Anderson as our new Vice Principal beginning July 1, 2025. Ms. Anderson is currently the Vice Principal at Debeck Elementary.



Track & Field Meet – Important Info for Families



Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to all families who have returned their Track & Field permission slips!
Please review the important details below:

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Info:

- Drop-off location: Gateway Theatre parking lot.
- Staff will meet students and walk them to our gathering spot near the Minoru Active Living Centre.
- Pick-up: Parents must park, walk in, and sign out their child with Ms. Wallace or Mrs. Lang at the track.

Need Help Driving Students?

- If you can help drive students to the track:
 - Come to the school gym on Wednesday, May 14 at 8:15 AM.
 - We will match you with students who need a ride.

Volunteers Needed:

- We're looking for a few parent volunteers to:
 - Monitor washrooms.
 - Support students in the stands.
 - Take photos for our year-end slideshow.
- If you can help, please email Ms. Wallace, kwallace@sd38.bc.ca

Map & Schedule:

- A map of the drop-off and gathering locations is attached.
- The event schedule is also included.
 - Please note: Event times are approximate and may vary.

Parking & Transit Tips:

- The area will be very busy – allow extra time for parking and walking in.
- Reminder: All parking is limited to 3 hours.
- Consider using transit if it works for your family.

Our Focus:

- Tomsett students and staff have been training hard!
- Our goal is sportsmanship and fun – winning is great, but not the main focus.

Questions?

- Please contact your classroom teacher or Ms. Wallace with any questions.



TOMSETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

This year Tomsett has formed a team to participate in the RBC Children's Hospital Race for the Kids.

BC Children's Hospital Foundation's signature running event and largest family fun run in Vancouver has raised over \$19 million since it began in 1986. This has been made possible through the support of the runners and walkers of all ages and abilities who participate and help raise much-needed funds and awareness for child health in BC. Funds raised through the 2025 event will support childhood cancer programs and research as well as mental health initiatives.

Please join RBC Race for the Kids and help reach this year's \$1 million fundraising goal to support childhood cancer programs and research as well as mental health initiatives at BC Children's Hospital.


If you and/or your child are interested in joining our school team, please go to the website

<https://fundraise.bcchf.ca/fundraisers/tomsettelementaryschool>


to register in our Tomsett Elementary School Team. Early bird registration ends April 9th and it's \$30 but you can still register after that. This website also has all the information on the When, Where, Who, and Whys of the event. We need 30 participants to form our school team. Our team will begin training for the 5Km run on the week of May 5th and students will be training during lunch the first two weeks, but we will be training after schools when the runs get longer.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Chan at lchan@sd38.bc.ca.
Come join us in this fun and meaningful event!





PAC Update



The **PAC Annual Election** is here, and they are on the lookout for passionate parents to step into the vital roles of **Chair and Secretary** to join their team! This is a chance to lead, inspire, and collaborate with the school to help our school grow.

Election is happening at the next PAC meeting on May 21 at 6:30pm on TEAMS.

If you're interested in taking on the challenge and working with a team of dedicated parents, reach out to the PAC members at tomsettpac21@gmail.com!

GRADE 7 PARENTS!!!

PAC is looking for more grade 7 parents to help out. Join the committee to help with the grade 7 special events.

If you are interested, contact Angela at angelabb920@icloud.com