



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tomsett Elementary

September 15-th

Monday, Sept. 15th

Tuesday, Sept 16th

Wednesday, Sept. 17th

PAC Meeting @
6:30pm
(via Zoom-see link
below)



Thursday, Sept. 18th

Meet My School @
6pm

WELCOME

Friday, Sept. 19th

Terry Fox Run
@ 2pm



Hello families,

It was lovely to see students settle in to their new classes this week. We had our first assembly on Tuesday for our Grade 1-7 students where we introduced staff, shared a story about community, and talked about expectations for the year ahead. Our Kindergarten students are now attending full days and we are so excited to get to know the newest members of Tomsett!

A few important notes for the week ahead:

Terry Fox

Please note the [date change](#) for our Terry Fox Run. It will now take place on Friday, September 19th @ 2pm. Please see more information below.

PAC

We will have our first PAC meeting next week on Teams. We encourage everyone to attend. Please see the link in the PAC section. The PAC is also excited to announce that Hot Lunch is now open to order. Please see more information about how to order in our PAC Corner.

Meet the School Evening

We are excited to welcome families to Tomsett on Thursday, September 18th for our Meet the School Evening. We encourage families to visit their child/children's classes between 6-6:30pm. At 6:30pm we will invite families to the gym to introduce all staff.

Student Verification Forms

Student verification forms and packages went home this week. Please complete the forms and return to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

As always, do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. Have a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Ms. Wallace and Mrs. Anderson

Litter-less Snacks and Lunches

We encourage families to pack snacks and lunches in reusable containers whenever possible. Choosing litter-less options helps reduce waste, keeps our school grounds clean, and supports our commitment to caring for the environment. Thank you for helping our students learn the value of sustainability in everyday choices!



Upcoming Dates

September

- 18 Meet My School @ 6pm
- 22 Pro-D Day (no school for students)
- 23 Individual Photo Day
- ~~26 Terry Fox Run @ 1:30pm~~
- 30 Truth and Reconciliation Day (no school)

October

- 13 Thanksgiving (no school)
- 22 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal @ 1:45pm)
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- 24 Pro-D Day (no school for students)
- 28 Photo Retake Day

Donations:

Each student received a notice and envelope today with information about our Terry Fox Run and fundraising efforts. Students are encouraged to bring their donations in their envelopes and can also donate online using Cash Online. A big thank you to Ms. Quinn for her organization with this. There will be a prize for the primary and intermediate class that raises the most money. As well, Ms. Quinn will be selling raffle tickets (\$1 each) after school next week (Monday-Thursday) to be entered into a draw for the Terry Fox t-shirt.

Run Day:

On September 19th, we will gather in the gym at 2pm to announce the winners and do a warm-up. We will then head outside to do our Terry Fox Run. Families are welcome to join and cheer our students on.]

Terry Fox Run-September 19th



Dress for the Weather



Please ensure that your child is dressed for the weather. This may include lots of layers at this time of the year. We will be outside for recess rain or shine!



Student and Family Affordability Fund

The provincial government funds the Student and Family Affordability Fund. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:

- School and course fees
- School supplies and course materials
- Field trips
- School-related extracurricular opportunities
- Clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities

Please reach out to Kirsten Wallace kwallace@sd38.bc.ca if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Reminders



Please report any absences, lates, early dismissals, etc. to our

**Early Warning Line at
(604) 668-6272**

Let us know your child's name, division, why they are away and for how long. If your child(red) will be arriving late, please make sure to sign in at the office.

THANK
you



Parking Lot Safety Reminders



-Parents, please **DO NOT PARK in the staff parking lot** or in the DROP OFF/NO PARKING ZONES as we need these spots for staff

-Please **DO NOT drop off students on Odlin Road**

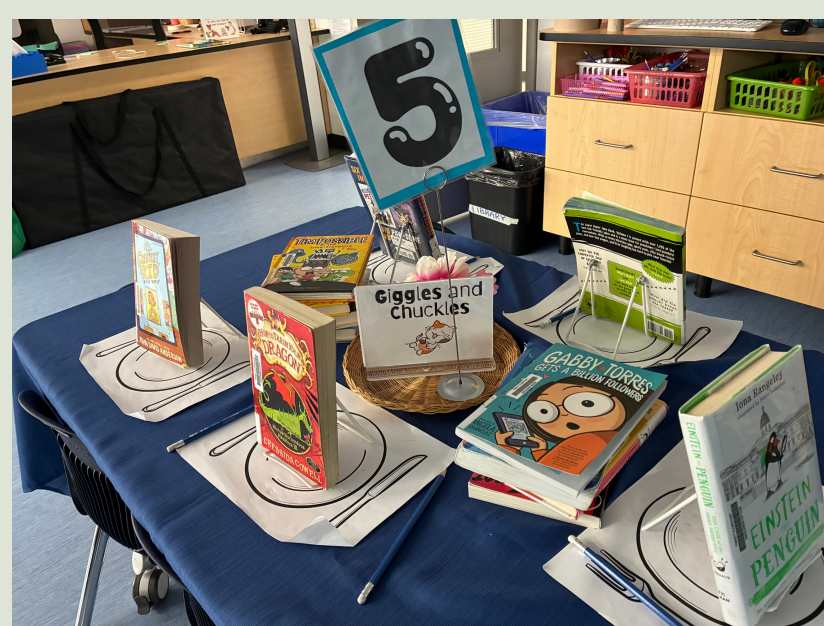
-Please **DO NOT leave your vehicle** unattended in the drop off/pick up zone

-Please **WALK, BIKE, SCOOT** to school to avoid vehicle congestion in the morning and after school

Thank you for doing your part to keep our school safe!

Book Tasting in the Library

Classes have been visiting the Library this week and doing "book tastings" with Ms. Parvez!



PAC Corner



Hot Lunch

Exciting news...orders for Hot Lunch are now open! The first hot lunch date will be on Wednesday, September 24th and the cutoff time is 11:59pm on September 19th. Moving forward, the cutoff dates will be 8 days before the Hot Lunch date.

Orders are placed through Munch a Lunch which can be accessed from our school website or [this link](#).



PAC Meeting

Our first PAC meeting is Wednesday, September 17th at 6:30pm. Please see link below:

Microsoft Teams [Need help?](#)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 231 440 016 869 0

Passcode: pU3rA9G9



District Updates

City Centre Catchment Review-Public Engagement Now Underway

The Richmond School District is excited to be opening a new elementary school at 8671 Odlin Crescent in September 2026. This new school represents an important investment in our growing city centre community and reflects the district's long-term commitment to neighbourhood-based schools. It will provide students and families with enhanced opportunities for learning close to home while supporting enrolment growth in one of Richmond's fastest-growing areas.

To prepare for the school's opening, the district is reviewing nearby school catchments. This review will help determine the catchment area for the new school and determine the adjustments that are needed to neighbouring catchments in order to balance enrolment now and into the future.

Public consultation is now underway and includes an online survey and a series of open houses to gather feedback on two proposed scenarios for the new catchment area. Feedback gathered through this process will help inform the board's final decision, expected in November 2025.

Participation Opportunities:

- Complete the online survey by October 27, 2025:
 - [English Survey](#) | [Chinese Survey](#)
- Attend an open house - see details beside

More information can be found on the District Website [HERE](#)

Open House Dates

In-Person Open House

Date: September 16, 2025 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Location: A. R. MacNeil Secondary School, 6611 No 4 Rd, Richmond, BC

[Register now](#) to receive a reminder.

Virtual Open House (Zoom)

Date: September 17, 2025 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

This session will be recorded and posted to this page.

[Register now](#) to receive a reminder.