



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tomsett Elementary

December 1st-5th

Monday, Dec. 1 st	Tuesday, Dec. 2 nd	Wednesday, Dec. 3 rd	Thursday, Dec. 4 th	Friday, Dec. 5 th
Pro-D Day (no school for students)			Winter Music Concert (Div. 1-6, 18 performing) *See more information below	

Hello families,

This is a friendly reminder that **Monday is a Pro-D Day** and there is **no school for students**.

On **Thursday, December 4th**, our Band classes will be performing in an **afternoon Winter Music Concert at 1pm**. Please note that **only Divisions 1-6 and 18 will be performing** as these are the classes that Ms. Quan teaches Band or Music too. Even if your child is not performing, you are still welcome to attend. The other divisions will have a chance to watch the dress rehearsal between recess and lunch and will not be in attendance for the afternoon performance.

The weather has gotten colder and we encourage all students to **dress warmly and in layers**. Having a second set of clothes at school is also helpful with the increased rain and puddles.

Some of you may know, we have our **community fridge** at Tomsett, which is intended to ensure all students have enough food in order to be able to do their best learning. We are however finding that many students are accessing the fridge without finishing their own food first and being wasteful with the items. Please see some important reminders below.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

Ms. Wallace and Mrs. Anderson



Reminder

Please remember to check in at the office if you are dropping off your child late or picking them up early. If you are volunteering in our school, first and foremost...THANK YOU! Second, please make sure to sign-in at the office and get a visitor badge.



Upcoming Dates

December

- 9 Evacuation Drill
- 18 Term 1 Learning Updates Posted
- 19 Last day of classes before Winter Break

Winter Break: December 20-January 4

January

- 5 Classes resume



Snack Fridge Reminders

We love our community fridge. We want to ensure that students have enough food to do their best learning. We have found that some students have been visiting the fridge before eating their own food and are being wasteful with the items. We are reviewing expectations in classes, but please review with your own children as well. Thank you for helping to support our community!



Dates of Significance

December

December 2: International Day for the Abolition of Slavery - A day to highlight that more than 150 million children are subject to child labor and though modern slavery is not defined in law, it is used as an umbrella term covering practices such as forced labour, debt bondage, forced marriage, and human trafficking.

December 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities - A day to increase public awareness, understanding and inclusion of people with disabilities and celebrate their achievements and contributions.

*Please click the links to learn more.

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) 668-6448 (option 1)**

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!

Dress for the Weather

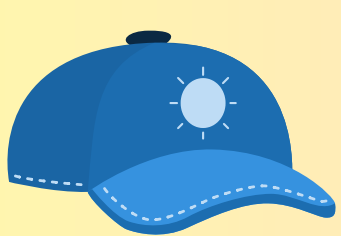
Parents please ensure your child is dress for raining weather, we go outside at recess and at lunch.

Wear boots.

Wear a coat with a hood.

Send extra socks and shoes to school.

Umbrellas are not reccomended as children can't run and play while holding an umbrella.



PAC Corner

Hot Lunch

Make sure to order your hot lunch! 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 Meetings

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 14th @ 6:30pm.

Save the Date: PAC Family Skate Night

The Tomsett PAC is excited to host a Winter Wonderland Family Skate Night on Wednesday, December 17th from 4:45–6:15pm at Minoru.

Tickets will be \$2.50 for each skater and there will be a maximum of 2 tickets per student as the event is capped at 250 skaters. The tickets will be available to purchase soon on the Hot Lunch site.

Important Things to Note:

- Please only purchase 2 tickets per student. If you purchase more than this, you will only be given 2 tickets per student. We want to ensure that as many Tomsett students can attend this event as possible.
- Tickets are non-refundable. If you cannot make it, please consider giving your tickets to another family.
- The event is capped at 250 skaters. If there are extra tickets, they will be for sale on the day of at Minoru.



FlipGive Fundraising

This season, fundraising for Tomsett Elementary School is going to be so much easier with FlipGive, a free team funding app.

We earn cash back on every purchase we make all year long! All you have to do is shop anytime with the brands you already love, like Home Depot, Walmart, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws. No more going door-to-door selling chocolate bars – it's completely virtual and contactless.

Join our team now and you'll get a \$5 bonus the first time you shop:

<https://shop.flipgive.com/onboarding/join?joincode=XM93G4>

Or enter this code: **XM93G4**

Want to learn more? Check out this 2 minute video: **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5vTO_Qg4n80**