

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tomsett Elementary

March 30th-April 3rd

Monday, March 30th

Welcome Back!

Tuesday, March 31st

Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Anderson are offsite- Mr. Elcombe, retired principal, will be here to support the school.

Wednesday, April 1st

Thursday, April 2nd

Friday, April 3rd

**Good Friday
No School**

Hello Families,

It was a busy week before the break! We had our MacNeill Basketball Tournament on Wednesday. Thank you to our families for your support and to Coach Kendrick for helping coach the Boys' Basketball Team this season. A big shout out to Ms. O'Leary for coaching the Girls' team.

We hope that everyone has a restful, relaxing, and rejuvenating Spring Break. **The school will be closed from March 14-29th**. We will see you back at school on Monday, March 30th. Here are a few things to look forward to when we get back.

- Pickleball lessons will start for all students from April 13th to 24th. Students will have 6 lessons over the course of the two weeks. Lessons will cost \$5 per student and will be available to pay on CashOnline AFTER the BREAK.
- For students participating in the Artist Mask Project this term (Divisions 1-8), we will be hosting an Art Gallery night for families to see the hard work on April 29th from 6-7pm. More information to come!
- Track Attack will start after the break from students in Grades 4-7 during the afternoons. Students will rotate through different stations and our **Track Meet date** this year will be on **Thursday, May 21st**. The format of the track meet will be different this year. More information will be shared after the Break.

Kind regards,

Ms. Wallace and Mrs. Anderson



Early Warning Line

Is your child going to be away? Make sure to call the Early Warning Line and leave a message with the following information:

- Child's name
- Child's class
- Reason for the absence
- Date and length of absence



604-668-6448

Option 1

Upcoming Dates

April

- 6 Easter Monday (no school)
- 10 Stop, drop, and Hold On Drill
- 10 Team Spirit Day
- 13-17 Pickleball Lessons
- 20-24 Pickleball Lessons
- 23 Learning Updates Posted to MyEd
- 29 Open House for Mask Project (Divisions 1-8) in gym from 6-7pm

Dates of Significance

MARCH

March is Irish Heritage Month: March was declared Irish Heritage Month in the House of Commons in 2022. Irish Heritage Month celebrates Irish Canadians' contributions to Canada's story and serves as an opportunity to learn more about Irish-Canadian history.

March 15 - International Day to Combat Islamophobia: The United Nations General Assembly resolution for this day stresses that terrorism and violent extremism cannot and should not be associated with any religion, nationality, civilization, or ethnic group. It calls for a global dialogue on the promotion of a culture of tolerance and peace, based on respect for human rights and for the diversity of religions and belief.

March 16-20 - Neurodiversity Celebration Week: A worldwide initiative that challenges stereotypes and misconceptions about neurodevelopmental disorders and learning disabilities.

March 19-20 - Nowruz - Iranian (Persian) New Year: Also known as Baha'i, Iranian, or Persian New Year. It begins on the spring equinox and marks the beginning of Farvardin, the first month of the Solar Hijri calendar.

March 19-20 - Eid-al-Fitr: Many Muslims in Canada celebrate Eid al-Fitr on the first day of Shawwal in the Islamic calendar. It marks the end of the month-long fast of Ramadan and the start of a feast that lasts up to three days in some countries. The date is dependent on the sighting of the new crescent moon.

March 19-27 - Chaitra Navratri: A Hindu nine-day festival to celebrate the first day of the Hindu calendar.

March 21 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination: A United Nations day of remembrance and action. Observed annually on the day that 69 people lost their lives to the hands of the police in Sharpeville, South Africa, while demonstrating peacefully against apartheid "pass laws" in 1960.

March 21 - World Down Syndrome Day: World Down Syndrome Day is on 21 March every year. It is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012. The goal is to help people understand and support those with Down syndrome better. The date being the 21st day of the 3rd month was chosen to represent the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome.

March 27 - Ram Navami: A Hindu Spring festival that falls on the ninth day of the month Chaitra according to the Hindu calendar.

Please click the links to learn more.

PAC Corner

PAC Meetings:

Thank you for those of you that attended our PAC Meeting this week. Our next PAC meeting is Wednesday, May 20th @ 6:30pm.

Hot Lunch

Term 3 Hot Lunch ordering is now open on Munch-A-Lunch! Term 3 hot lunch starts on March 30, right after Spring Break. We've added some new menu options this term - check out the posters below for a preview.

Sneak peek: Sports Day will feature a fun Burger Day lunch! See poster for more details.

To order:

Simply log in to your Munch-A-Lunch account and select meals for Spring 2026. Orders are placed through Munch a Lunch which can be accessed from our school website or [this link](#).

Friendly reminder: place your orders before spring break and get it out of the way early!

Thank you for supporting the hot lunch program and have a wonderful Spring Break!

Warmly,

Tomsett PAC

Support Tomsett with FlipGive

If you haven't had a chance, please consider joining Tomsett on FlipGive - a free team fundraising app that makes supporting our school easy.

How it works:

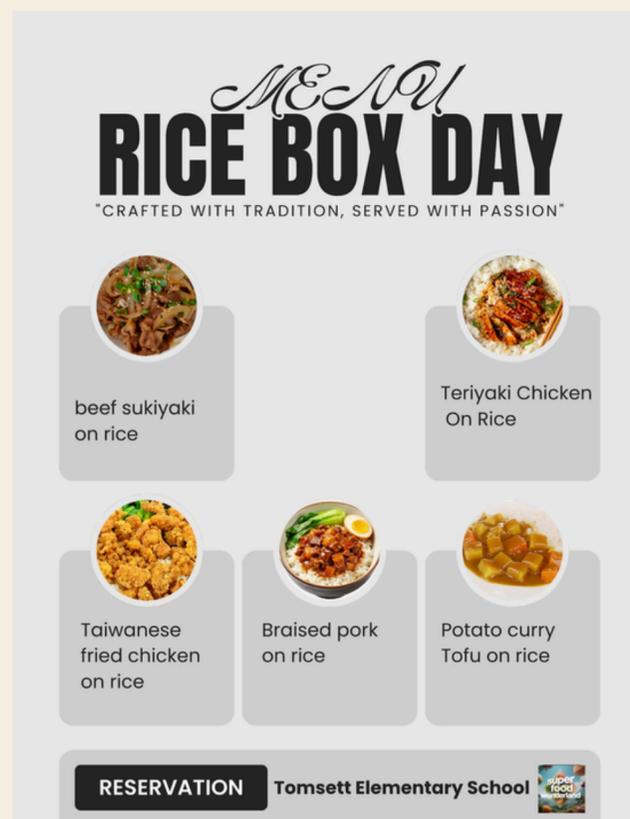
- Tomsett earns cash back on everyday purchases all year long.
- You shop with brands you already love, such as Home Depot, Walmart, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws.

Join our team and receive a \$5 bonus on your first purchase!

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

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Thank you for your continued support of Tomsett PAC.



Around the School



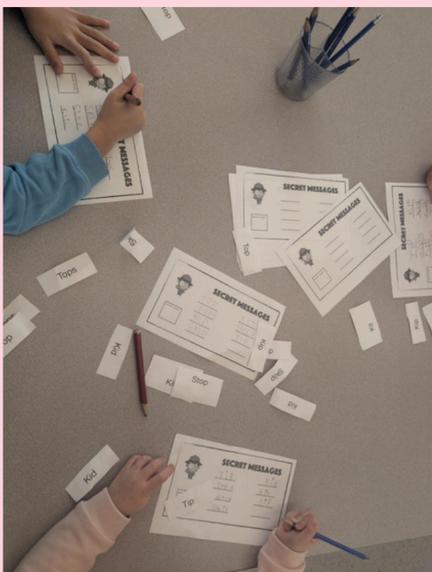
MacNeill Grade 7 Basketball Jamboree!



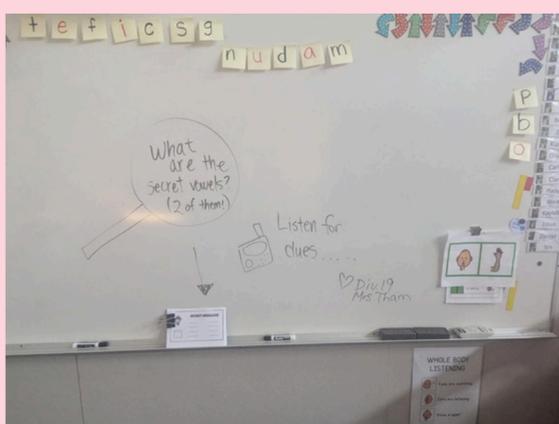
Div. 17 has been observing this decomposing pumpkin since October!

**What do you notice?
What do you wonder?**

Comicon in Division 9!



Ms. Chan was a hit on "Anything But a Cup Day" when she used a hot chocolate container as a cup!



A big thank you to Ms. Quinn for planning some undercover Spirit Days for the staff this week. Students enjoyed getting in on the action in Division 19 when the staff dressed up in Secret Security Style and used walkie talkies to decode secret messages with the other K classes.