



WEEK AT A GLANCE

HOMMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

September 25-29

Monday, Sept 25

Leadership Meeting
9am-10:15am

Tuesday, Sept 26

Run Club forms
are due today

Wednesday, Sept 27

Run Club
starts today
7:50am meet in
the gym

Thursday, Sept 28

Friday, Sept 29

Hot Lunch
Pizza Factory

Orange Shirt
Day

Important Dates

Sep 30.....Truth & Reconciliation
Oct 02.....NO SCHOOL
Oct 09.....Thanksgiving-NO SCHOOL
Oct 17.....PAC Meeting
Oct 18.....Immunization Clinic
Oct 20.....Pro D Day
Oct 23.....Photo Day

Daily Health Check

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well.

Students should not come to school when they are sick.

If your child is not feeling well please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved. If you know your child will be absent for a range of days, please leave that information as well.

Staying home when sick helps keep our entire school community healthy including teachers, admin staff and students. **Please do your part and stay home when sick.**



Reminders

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

Early Warning Line at (604) 668-6491

Let us know your child's name, division and WHY they are away and for how long.

If your child(ren) will be arriving late, please make sure to sign in so that we can adjust their attendance.

Thank you!

National Day
**for Truth and
Reconciliation**

September 30th



Canada

As a school and district, we are dedicated to fostering an inclusive and compassionate environment for all our students, families, and staff. As we approach September 30, the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, we wanted to share with you a few important events that are taking place in our school and district.

On September 22, 2023, our entire district staff will be engaging in a day of learning about Indigenous History, First Peoples Principles of Learning, and our collective role in reconciliation. Please note, this is a Non-Instructional Day and schools will not be in session.

Additionally, in honour of the children lost and the generations impacted by residential schools, we will be displaying the orange “Every Child Matters” flag in our school. We are fortunate to have been gifted this flag through the fundraising efforts of the Student Social Justice Committee at Hugh Boyd Secondary. This student led committee worked hard to raise funds to provide each school in our district with an “Every Child Matters” flag as part of their action towards Truth and Reconciliation. The flag serves as a collective dedication to learning, understanding, healing and reconciliation.

Finally, a reminder that the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation occurs each year on September 30th. As this occurs on Saturday this year, the statutory day will be observed on Monday, October 2, 2023, and therefore school will not be in session on this day. [HERE](#) you will find a resource that families can use to spark conversation and learn more.

September 29th
is
Orange Shirt Day
Every Child Matters

Homma Run Club

Homma Run Club permission forms are due on Tuesday, September 26th.

The Homma Run Club will meet every Wednesday starting at 7:50am and end at 8:40am. Meet in the school gym and run along the path to Starbucks and back.

If you would like to join, please come to the office to pick up a permission form.

Mr. Cherry, Mme Lisa and Ms. Kerr



Homma Volleyball

Grade 6/7 Volleyball starting soon.

Stay tuned for more information.

RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

STUDENT AND FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

The provincial government has again offered the Student and Family Affordability 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

The additional funding is also used to support school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

Please reach out to Mr. Cherry via email at dcherry@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.





New Bell Schedule

8:40 am.....Warning Bell

8:45 am.....Classes Begins

10:15 - 10:30 am.....Recess

11:50am - 12:05pm.....Eating Lunch Inside

12:05 - 12:42pm.....Outside Lunch

2:45 pm.....Dismissal

Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar for September...

15-17..... Rosh Hashana 🕯️

24..... Kol Nidrei 🕯️

24-25..... Yom Kippur 🕯️

26-27..... Mawlik-al-Nabi 🌙

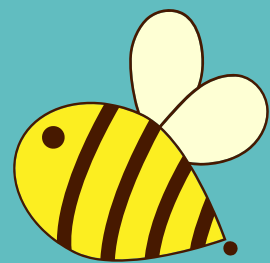
30..... National Day of Truth
& Reconciliation/
Orange Shirt Day



If your child needs to leave school early.....

If your child needs to leave early for an appointment or needs to be pulled from school for any reason, PLEASE email your teacher and the Homma Office homma@sd38.bc.ca

This will be less disruptive to the rest of the class if the teacher knows ahead of time that a student will be leaving. Thank you!



ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SCHOOL

We recognize and understand that cell phones and personal music devices are part of our lives today, and can support learning, they can also be very disruptive to learning as well. We remind students and families that these items are not permitted to be used during the school day (including recess and lunch) unless specifically requested by the teacher for an educational purpose. The school will not be responsible for missing or damaged persons electronics.

We encourage students to store their cell phones in their backpacks during instructional hours.



NEWS



All parents and guardians of children who attend Homma Elementary School are members of the Homma PAC and are crucial partners in creating a rich and fulfilling school experience for our children.

A reminder to parents that Term 1 is now open for HOT Lunch orders. Orders for the following week are always due the Thursday before 9 p.m. Details on this year's program can be found here: [Homma Hot Lunch Program](#)

This year's first Hot Lunch will be Pizza Day on Friday, September 29.

Thank you to those of you who attended our first PAC meeting of the year! Our next PAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30 p.m. (virtual). We hope to see you there!

Just by being a Homma Parent, you are a part of the PAC. Wanting to do more than that? Email contacthommamac@gmail.com to get on the WhatsApp group for our fundraising committee or events committee!

All parents are also welcome to join the [Homma PAC Community](#) on Facebook where we post regular updates!



Exciting news! Our Homma Hot Lunch Program is open! We start with Pizza Day on Friday, September 29th. The order deadline is Thursday, September 21st at 9 PM. To sign up for this year's Hot Lunch Program and submit your orders, please review the attached Hot Lunch Program Update. All families, new and returning, will need to create an account to order! A huge thank you to our volunteers!

Upcoming Hot Lunch

| Hot Lunch Day | Vendor | Order Deadline (9pm) |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Friday, Sep 29 | Pizza Factory | Thursday, Sep 21 |
| Friday, Oct 06 | Dairy Queen | Thursday, Sep 28 |
| Friday, Oct 13 | Booster Juice | Thursday, Oct 05 |
| Friday, Oct 27 | Pizza Factory | Thursday, Oct 19 |
| Friday, Nov 03 | Takeya Sushi | Thursday, Oct 26 |
| Friday, Nov 17 | Taco Luis | Thursday, Nov 09 |
| Friday, Nov 24 | Pizza Factory | Thursday, Nov 16 |
| Friday, Dec 01 | Olive Lunch | Thursday, Nov 23 |
| Friday, Dec 08 | Dairy Queen | Thursday, Nov 30 |
| Friday, Dec 15 | Pizza Factory | Thursday, Dec 07 |

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1 Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2 Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3 Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4 Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5 Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property. Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.
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Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct
is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct

