



WEEK AT A GLANCE

HOMMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

April 15 - 19

Monday, Apr 15

3 on 3 Intramural Basketball Club at lunch

Tuesday, Apr 16

Rubiks Cube Club at Lunch

Track Attack Starts Today Grades 4-7

Wednesday, Apr 17

Chess Club at Lunch

Intramural Basketball Open Gym at lunch

Thursday, Apr 18

3 on 3 Intramural Basketball Club at lunch

Friday, Apr 19

PRO D DAY
NO SCHOOL

Important Dates

Apr 17.....PAC Meeting at 6:30pm - virtually

Apr 18.....Immunization Clinic K, Gr 1, Gr 6 & Gr 7

Apr 19.....Pro D Day - No School

Apr 25.....Learning Updates on the Parent Portal

Apr 26.....Hot Lunch DAIRY QUEEN

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!



What happens if my child is away from school on a Hot Lunch Day?

If your child is away from school on a Hot Lunch day, you can arrange for their order to go to their sibling or you can pick it up at the school. To make these arrangements, please email the classroom teacher and copy the Homma Office (homma@sd38.bc.ca) before 10:00 AM. If you plan to pick up the food order, please come to the school at 12:15 PM, which gives our team enough time to focus on distributing food to the classrooms.

PARENTS:

Please note, the written updates are drafts and NOT the final Learning Update. FINAL Learning Updates are published on April 25.

Next Learning Update is April 25

All SD38 Elementary Schools will be publishing Learning Updates electronically to the MyEducation BC Parent Portal.

There will be NO PAPER COPIES issued.

MyEducation BC is the secure, provincial Student Information System. The MyEd BC Parent Portal account provides you with access to your child's demographic information, records of academic achievement, assessment records, and current Learning Updates.

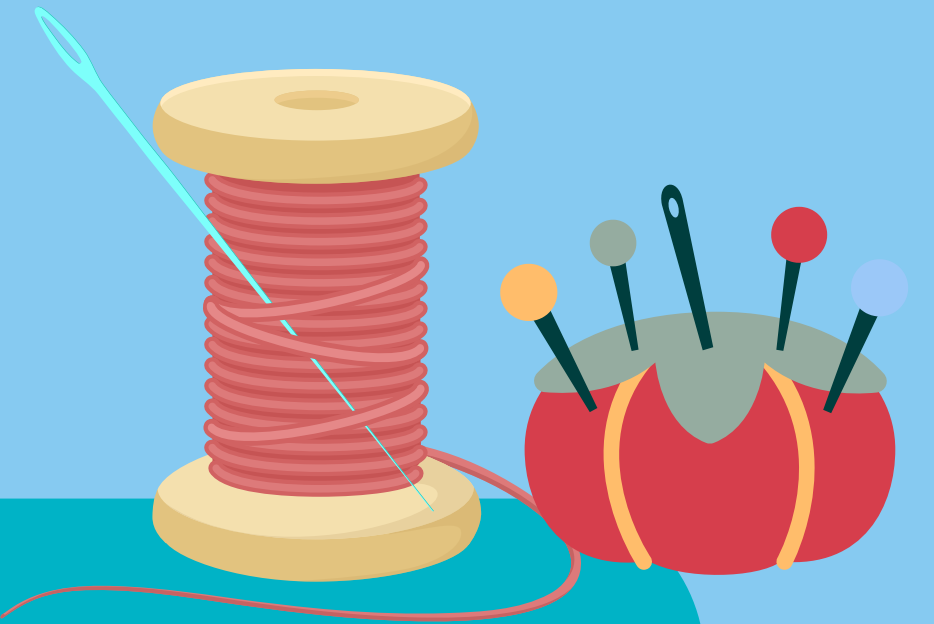
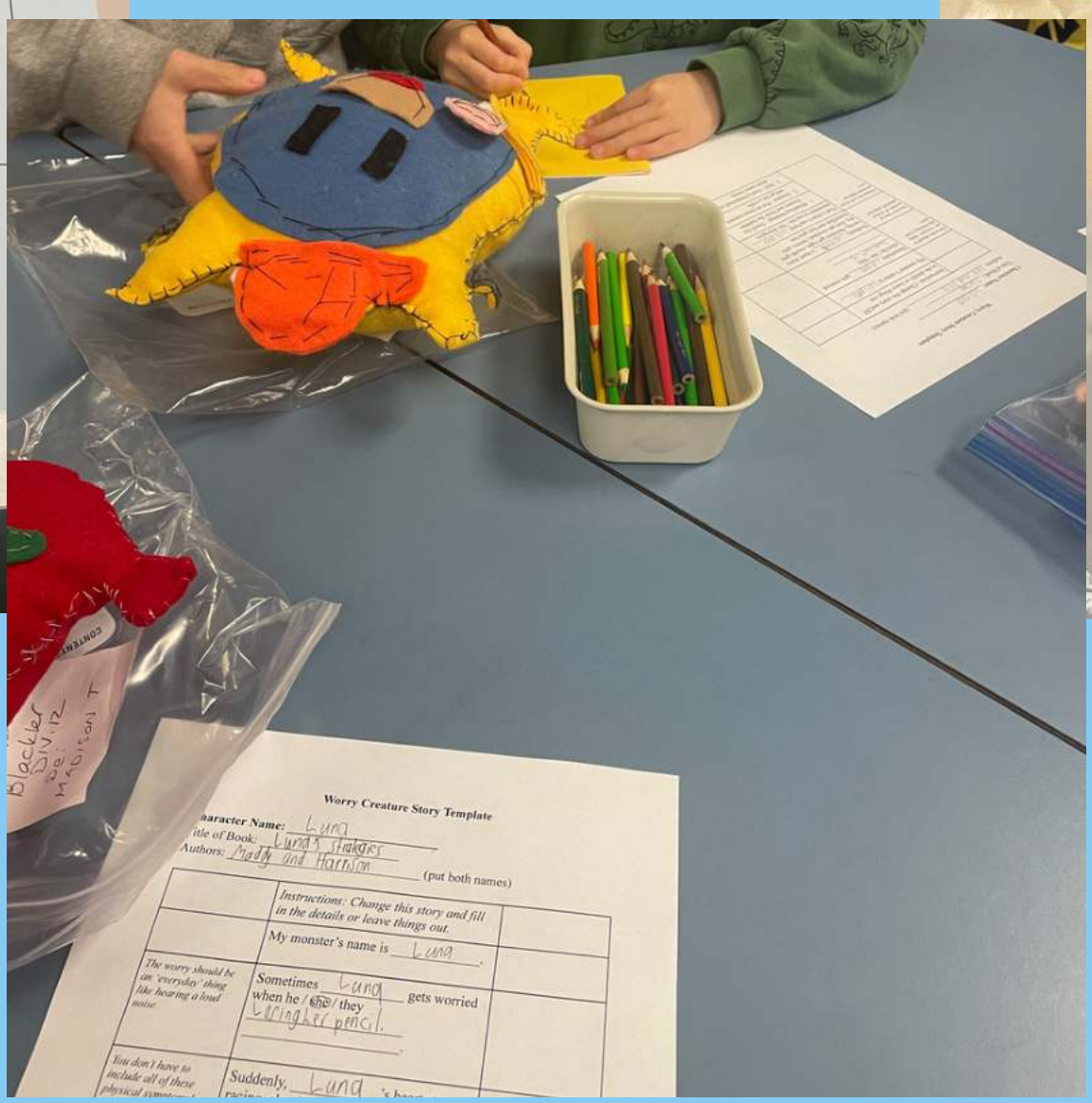
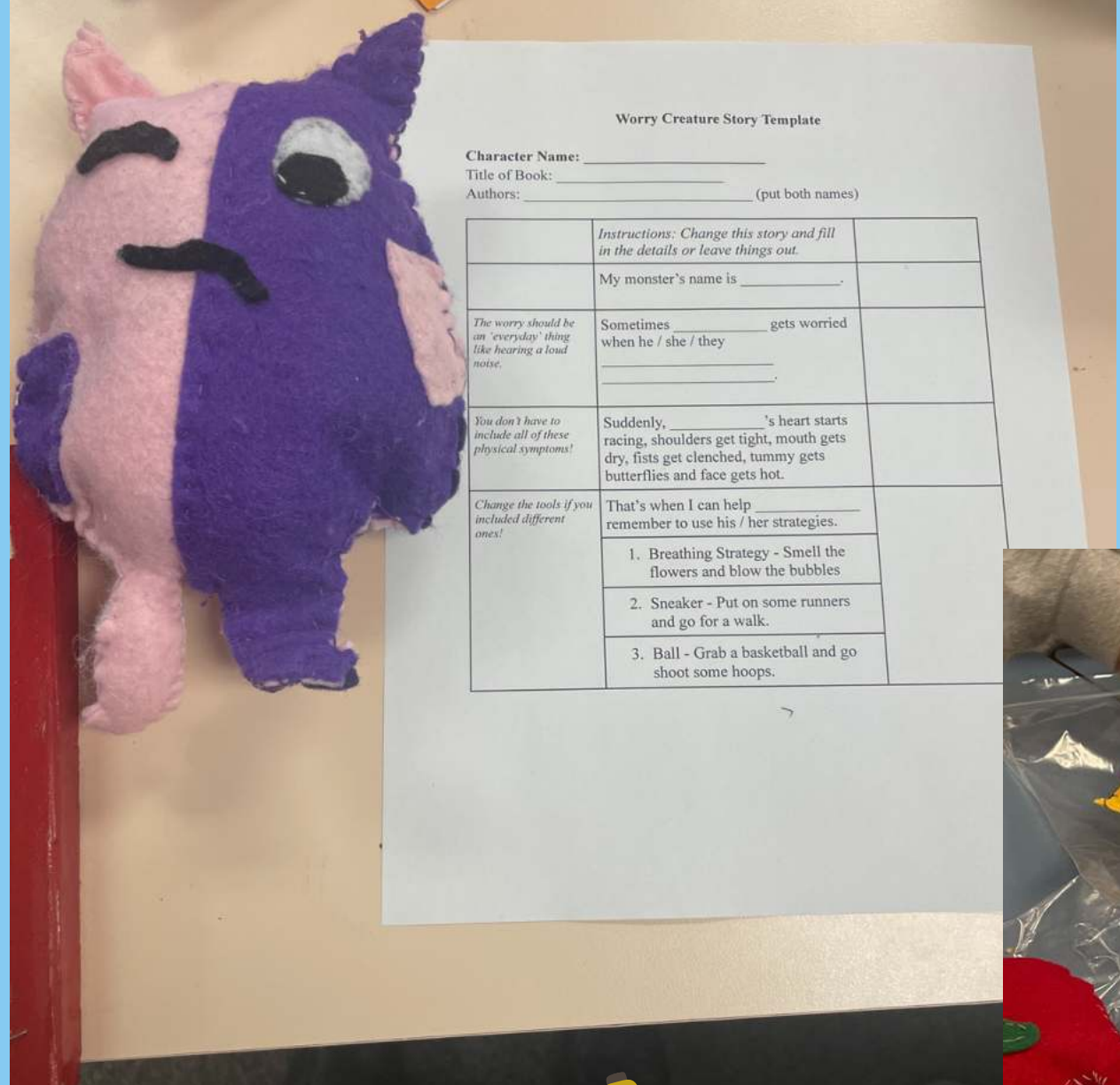
All parents/guardians should already have either an active MyEd BC Parent Portal account or received an email (in December 2023) from sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca with login account instructions.

If you have any questions regarding the use or functionality of the MyEd BC Parent Portal, please contact your child's school office, or for account or technical support, please send an email to: MyEdParentPortal@sd38.bc.ca

Parent Portal STEP BY STEP Instructions and Tip Sheet can be found on the Homma Website.

Please note Learning Updates cannot be archived on the Parent Portal. Each Learning Update will be removed 4 weeks after publication. Please download any Learning Update that you would like to save.



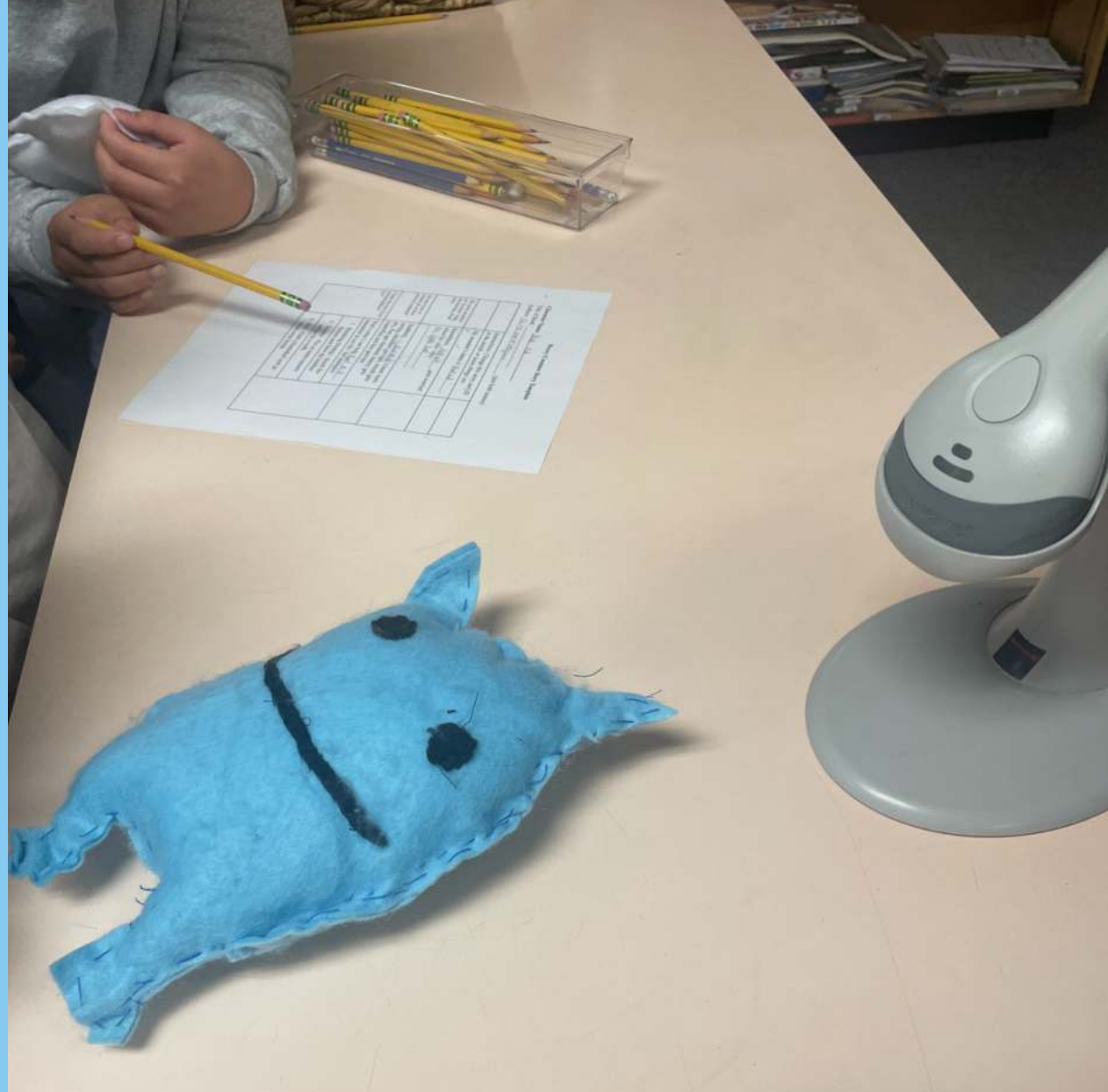
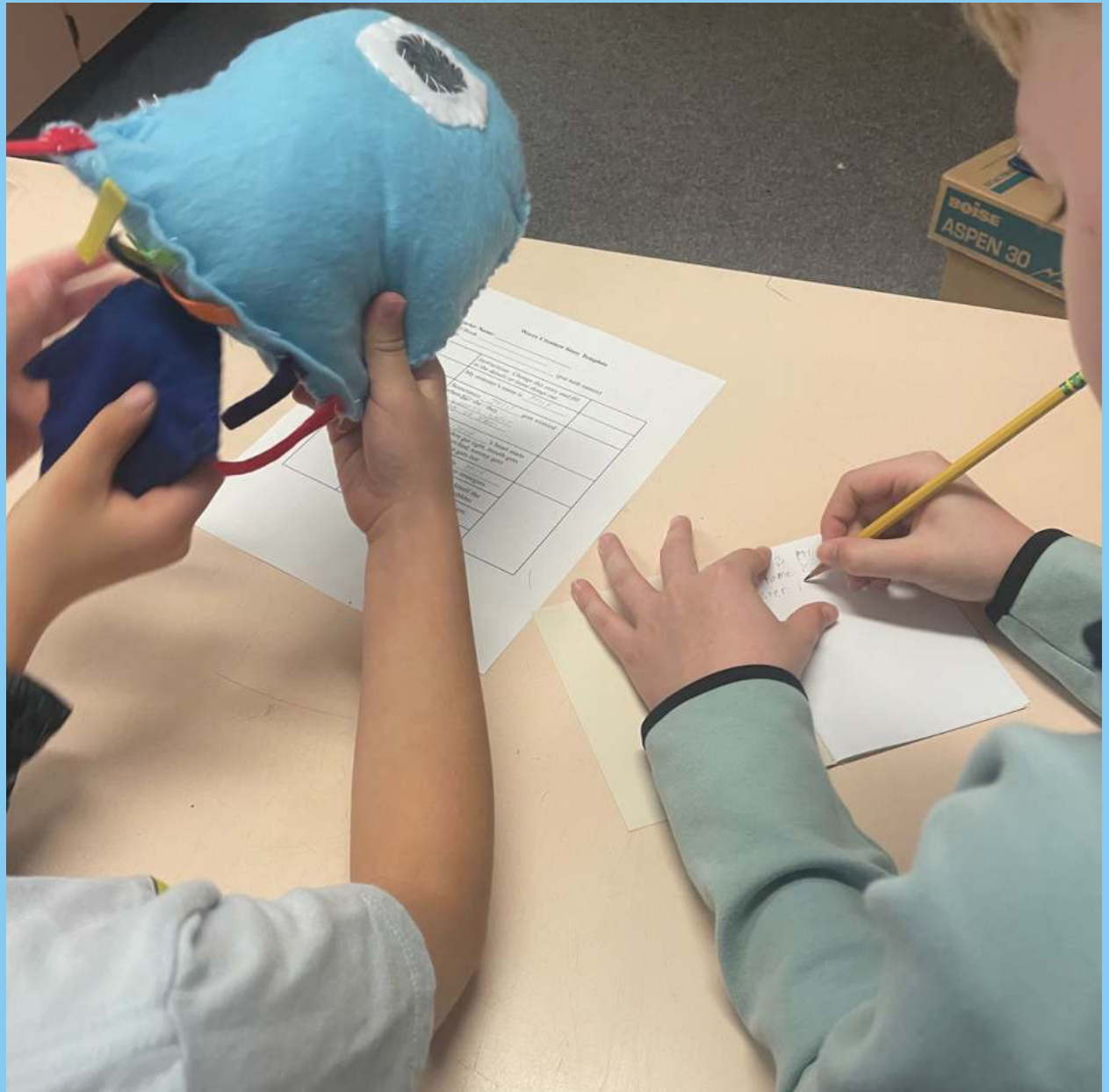


Homma Stuffie Project

Our Homma Grade 6 and 7 students have been working on a top secret Applied Skills and Design Technology (ADST) project for the past 2+ months. They have been honing their hand sewing skills in order to bring to life drawings made by our K/1 students. Learning hand sewing skills while making a gift for someone takes a lot of courage!

K/1 students will also be given an anxiety toolbox and will create a story with a grade 6/7 student that shares how anxiety strategies can be used. This project connects with our school focus of supporting students with everyday anxiety by providing them with tools to help when feeling anxious. This sewing project is also a great way to build community at Homma. We hope that this spirit of giving will be a seed to inspire a generous spirit in them for life.

And to the many people who have helped along the way, thank you. Through this project, you are making a difference.



Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Dates Ahead

April is.....

Sikh Heritage Month
Autism Acceptance Month

9.....Ramadan Ends
9-17Chaitra Navratri
10.....Eid-al-Fitr Celebration
13.....Vaisakhi
14.....International Day of Pink
14-20Bangla Heritage Week
17.....Ram Navami
22-30Pesach
23.....Hanuman Jayant



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Crossing Guards

We have decided to put the crossing guard program on hold temporarily as we have had concerns from the school community about the safety of students. In order to continue, we will be looking for parent volunteers to help supervise and we will be looking for other ways to move forward to provide crossing guards.

In the meantime, please remind your children about how to safely use the crosswalks.





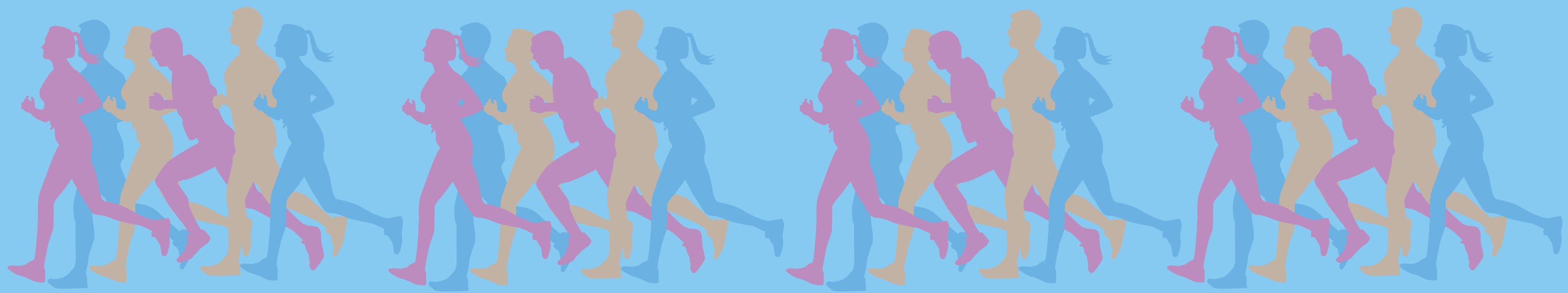
Track Attack

Begins Tuesday, April 16

Track Attack is starting up on Tuesday, April 16 for students in Grades 4-7.

Please make sure all students come to school in proper foot wear and active wear and water bottle.

Track Meet at Minoru will be Monday, May 27. Stay tuned for more information.



CELEBRATE EARTH WEEK

WITH 30+ FREE AND LOW-COST ACTIVITIES

April 20–28 | richmond.ca/EarthWeek



As a Homma parent, you are automatically a valued member of the PAC. If you're eager to contribute more, feel free to reach out by:

- Email contacthommapac@gmail.com
- Join our WhatsApp group

We also invite all parents to join the Homma PAC Community on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @HommaPAC, where we regularly share updates and information!

PAC
MEETING

The next PAC meeting is set for Tuesday, April 17 starting at 6:30 p.m. It will be conducted virtually. We will be voting on a budget request from Homma Staff for two recent events that took place at the school. Please attend if voting on these issues interests you.

Microsoft Teams
Join the meeting now
Meeting ID: 289 104 048 650
Passcode: merWzg

We look forward to seeing you there!



The next Homma PAC Annual General Meeting will be held in person on Tuesday, May 14, from 6:00-8:00 pm

Volunteer Assistance

Homma PAC is kindly asking for 2 more volunteers to assist with the cookie sale after school on Friday, April 26th from 2:30 pm to roughly 3:20 pm. It will very likely wrap up sooner than that.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please respond in the Homma Parents WhatsApp group or email contacthommapac@gmail.com



As a Homma parent, you are automatically a valued member of the PAC. If you're eager to contribute more, feel free to reach out by:

- Email contacthommapac@gmail.com
- Join our WhatsApp group

We also invite all parents to join the Homma PAC Community on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @HommaPAC, where we regularly share updates and information!

The Pinewood Derby

The Homma PAC is excited to re-introduce a much-loved school tradition: The Pinewood Derby! Students (with help from adults) build small wooden cars that race down a long wooden track. The fastest cars, as well as the most creative designs, win trophies!

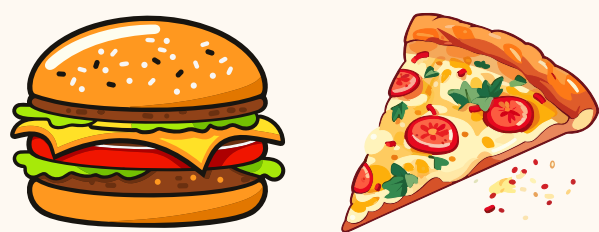
Save the date: Thursday, June 13, 2024, 5:30 pm. All families are welcome!

Please order your \$15 wooden car kit through the Homma Pinewood Derby sale on the [Homma Hot Lunch site](#) to be registered to participate in the races. Deadline to order: Sunday, April 21.

The car kit will be distributed during the week of May 13, so students can start building their own creations in time for the Derby on June 13.

A few things to note:

- Having access to tools can help make building your car easier, but sandpaper, patience and paint also work.
- Families who would like to participate, but cannot for financial reasons should please contact Mr. Cherry. Car kits will be provided by the PAC.
- Siblings can share a car.
- A student may submit only one car to the competition.
- Curious to learn more about a Pinewood Derby? Check out Google.
- If you have any questions: contacthommapac@gmail.com



Upcoming Hot Lunch



Hot Lunch Day

Friday, Apr 26
 Friday, May 03
 Friday, May 10
 Friday, May 24
 Friday, May 31
 Friday, June 07
 Friday, June 14

Vendor

Dairy Queen
 Steveston Seafood House
 Pizza Factory
 Dairy Queen
 Takeya Sushi
 Pizza Factory
 Pizza Factory

Order Deadline (9pm)

Thursday, Apr 18
 Thursday, Apr 25
 Thursday, May 02
 Thursday, May 16
 Thursday, May 23
 Thursday, May 30
 Thursday, June 06