



WEEK AT A GLANCE

HOMMA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



May 1-5

Monday, May 1

Tuesday, May 2

Wednesday, May 3

Thursday, May 4

Friday, May 5

Music in Our Schools @ Gateway 6:30pm-8pm

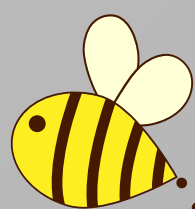
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Hot Lunch
Pizza Factory

Important Dates

- May 08.....Saleema Noon Parent Info
- May 09.....Track Meet @ Minoru
- May 12.....Track Meet RAIN OUT DAY
- May 16.....Welcome to Kindergarten
- May 17 & 18.....Saleema Noon Student Info
- May 19.....Pro D Day (No School)
- May 22.....Victoria Day (No School)
- May 25.....Jeans Day
- May 26.....Homma Family Fair

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!



Daily Health Check

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

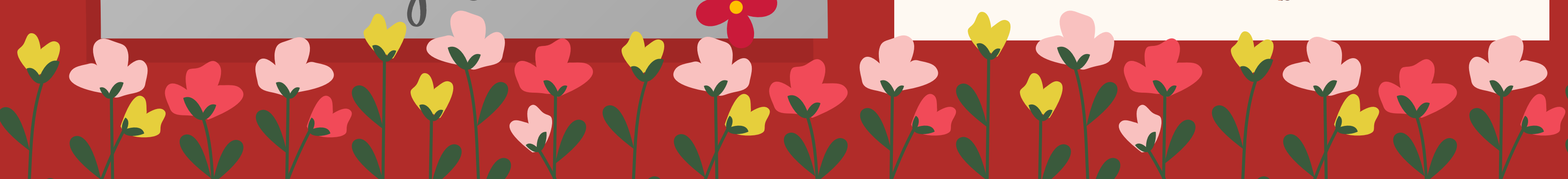
We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well.

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.**

Click here for the health assessment



MINORU TRACK MEET TUESDAY, MAY 9

Thank you to everyone for sending in your track forms to the office.

We will be sending out more information next week to families regarding times and events for students, drop off and pick up times and location at Minoru Track.

If you have offered to drive additional students to the Track Meet, please meet in the gym at 8:30am.

**** If your child has opted out of participating in the Track Meet, it is the expectation of the school, that the student will be attending class. Students are NOT to come to the track who are not participating at the track meet as there is no supervision for them. ****

If we get rained out, the make up day is Friday, May 12.

Primary Track Event for K-3 Tuesday, May 9

- May 9th 1:00pm-2:30pm
- Parents are welcome to cheer on the students in the back field
- This event will be canceled / postponed if it rains....cross your fingers for sunshine!



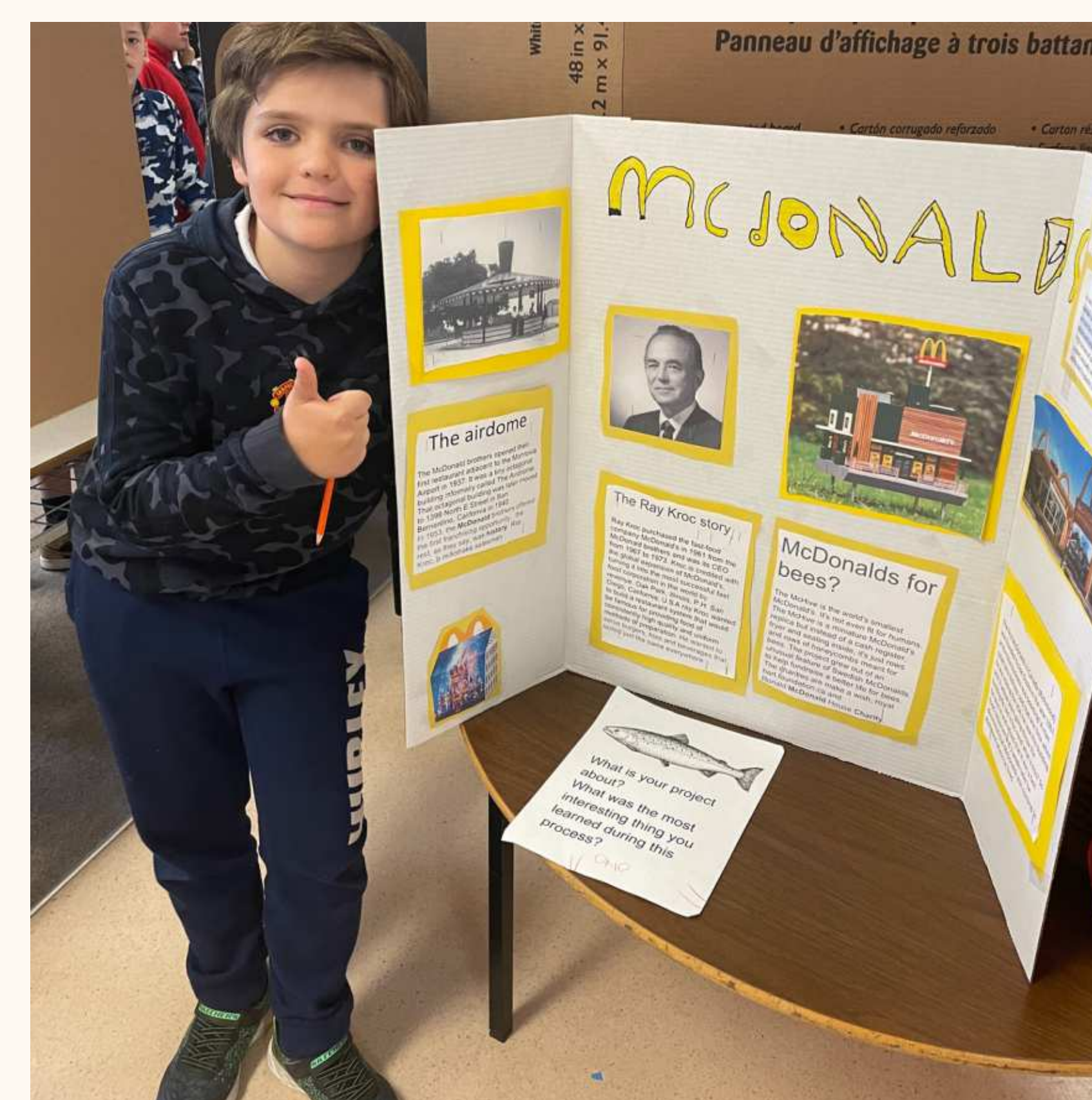
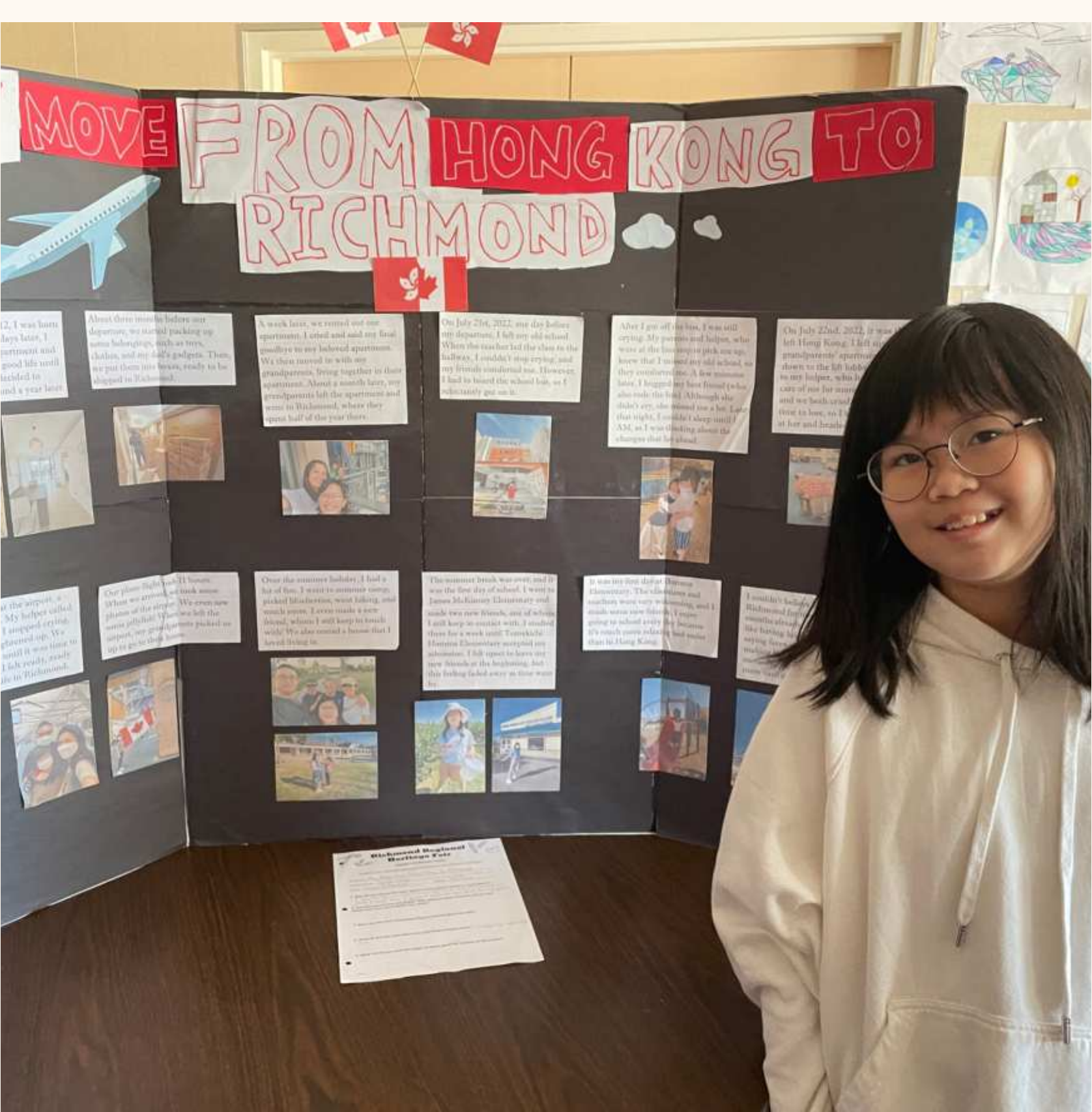
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Homma Heritage Fair



May Celebrations



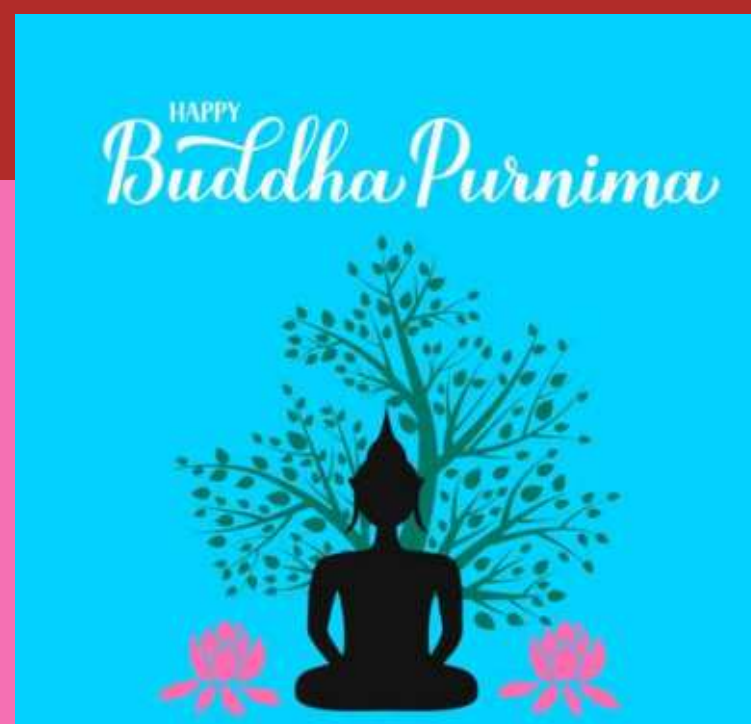
Asian Heritage Month is an opportunity for us to learn more about the many achievements and contributions of Canadians of Asian heritage who, throughout our history, have done so much to make Canada the country we know and love.

The theme for Asian Heritage Month 2022 is, "Continuing a legacy of greatness". This month is a reminder for all Canadians to come together to combat anti-Asian racism and discrimination in all its forms.



May is Jewish Heritage Month. Jewish Heritage Month was officially recognized by the federal government in March 2018 after a unanimous vote in the House of Commons.

Canada is home to the fourth largest Jewish community in the world. Jewish Canadian leaders are active in all parts of society and have helped shape the diversity found within it. Canadian Jewish Heritage Month provides an opportunity to celebrate Jewish communities from coast to coast to coast for their valuable contributions in building a more open, diverse, and consciously more inclusive Canada for all.



May
26th

Buddha's Birthday or "Buddha Day" is a Buddhist festival that is celebrated in most of East Asia and South Asia commemorating the birth of the Prince Siddhartha Gautama, later the Gautama Buddha, who was the founder of Buddhism.



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.



Mark your calendars for May 16th - our Homma PAC Annual General Meeting (AGM). It will be hosted from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the School Library (in-person). The AGM is when we vote for executive positions and the new budget. If you are interested in a role on the PAC Executive, please contact us! We have two parents who will be leaving the school next year, so we need to start recruiting new support and help to ensure continuous support for our school community.

The Homma Family Fair is Friday, May 26 (5:30 to 8:00 PM)!

We ask every family to sign up for at least one shift to ensure we can keep lines minimal and run the activities. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a8a828a5f9c52-homma#/> to sign up. If you would like to volunteer, but are not able to use the form, please email contacthommapac@gmail.com instead. We are also looking for 7 parents to help take on some added coordinator positions. These roles would include approximately 6-10 hours of volunteer time before and during the fair. If you have some extra time to spare to support us getting the fair organized, please contact us! Your time will be very appreciated!



The fair could also use a wide range of donated items for various games and activities, including the following:

- Wine and spirits, donated directly to the school office.
- Home-baked and/or store-bought cakes or 6-packs of cupcakes. All cakes must be nut-free and will need to be delivered to the gym on the day of the fair (May 26).
- Cans of pop, to be placed in the donation bins by the main entrance.
- Clean and gently used (or new) stuffed animals, action figures, stationery, stickers, and small-amount gift cards (\$20 or less), to be placed in the donation bins by the main entrance.

We really appreciate your support for the Homma Family Fair in any way that you can!

If you have any questions, please email us at contacthommapac@gmail.com. More details will be coming soon!



Hot Lunch Term 3 orders can be submitted online at <https://homma.hotlunches.net/>

- Friday - May 5 Pizza Factory
- Friday - May 12 DQ
- Friday - May 26 Sushi
- Friday - June 9 Pizza Factory
- Friday - June 16 Pizza Factory



RICHMOND
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EDUCATION**

Summer 2023

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Your Attention Richmond families!

Did you know that many of Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Programs are FREE for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents and students who have Refugee status?

With an array of exciting and enriching courses and camps to choose from, your child is sure to have a memorable summer. Choose from Elementary Enrichment, Summer Exploration, Summer Fine Arts, Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion, Secondary Enrichment, and Secondary Enrichment Skill Building Courses. We also offer Summer Camps for both elementary and secondary students, with options for ages 6-16.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow and learn in a fun and engaging way! Keep your child's learning journey going strong this summer and sign up now for Summer Learning 2023.

For more information go to our website at www.RichmondCE.ca

As part of Mental Health Week (May 1st – 7th), Richmond SD 38 presents....

Information Session for Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers

Tuesday, May 2, 2023 (on Zoom)

6:30 – 8 pm

Holding Onto Our Kids in a Digital World

Dr. Deborah MacNamara



As if parenting wasn't hard enough in having to deal with screens, peer pressure on kids - and then we had to add a pandemic on top of it! How can we hold on to our kids so we can influence and guide them? What do kids really need from us so as to grow into socially and emotionally responsible beings? This presentation will discuss issues from technology to peer problems and how parents are the ultimate answer for what kids need most of all. Practical suggestions for (re)building strong relationships with kids from preschoolers to teenagers will be discussed along with managing challenging behaviour - including screen time! BIO Dr. Deborah MacNamara is the author of Rest, Play, Grow: Making Sense of Preschoolers (or anyone who acts like one), and her children's picture book, The Sorry Plane. She is on Faculty at the Neufeld Institute and Director of the counselling practice, Kid's Best Bet. Parents, guardians, and caregivers can [click here](#) to register – please register by Friday, April 28, 2023.

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

MAY 25

BC Children's Hospital Foundation

DENIM MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

More information coming soon.....

ROTARY CLUB OF STEVESTON



SHRED EVENT

It's time securely recycle all that unwanted paperwork laying around the house!

Quick and easy drive through service. BY DONATION.

Cash & Card Accepted.

MAY 6, 2023

10am - 2pm
McMath Secondary
4251 Garry St, Richmond



You are supporting...

- Ukraine Relief
- Earthquake Relief
- Seniors Food Security
- Christmas Food Hampers
- Wildfire & Flood Relief
- RCRG Senior's Vehicle
- McMath Interact Club
- W2R First Nations Literacy Project



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DROP OFF LANE AND PARKING LOT SAFETY

To ensure the safety of all students, **please do not park in the drop off lane and NO PARKING Zones** (you may be ticketed) to bring your child into the school as it disrupts the flow of traffic.

It would be **very helpful for cars not to left turn from Brunswick Dr** into the parking lot. Cars are unable to exit the parking lot thus causing an extreme back up for drop offs.

Please pull up as far as possible in the drop off lane when coming to school in the mornings.

Street parking is available on Railway Ave.

At the **end of the day, the drop off lane is closed** to vehicles and we ask that you do not remove the parking lot chain to enter.

As we are part of the community, we ask that we are courteous and respectful to our neighbours.

Thank you for your support with this.



Dress for the weather!

As our weather is changing and the rain starting, it might be helpful to bring:



winter coat



rain coat



rain boots



mittens



touque



scarf



extra clothing including socks