



Today was the first day of our Track and Field training. It was great to see the glorious weather and a ton of enthusiasm from the athletes. The forecast is looking good so we'll definitely have a chance to get all the students through all of the 'Track Attack' stations that we have prepared for them. After our stations are finished, we'll then do some specialized training once the Track and Field team is formed and students know what events they are in. The weather will dictate our progress.

Thank You Parents!

Last Friday Thompson Staff are treated to an awesome buffet lunch hosted by the parents at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon for the staff. It was the "mutual admiration society" where speeches from PAC chair and Mr. Juhasz mirrored each other echoing the appreciation we have for each other and the fact that we make such a great team. The staff loved the lunch and the kind gesture.



*You are invited to a
Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
on
Thursday May 24, 2018
12:10 - 1:30 pm
in the Thompson School Gym*

感謝家長义工午餐日 - 五月二十四日中午十二时十分

Staff and students would like to thank all parent volunteers for their tremendous dedication and support throughout the school year. Whether you have contributed your time to help with pizza days, our running program, our Fruits and Vegetable Program, our Chinese New Year celebration, classroom field trips, sports teams, library and bookfairs, crossing guards, and many other roles, you help makes Thompson a vibrant and thriving place to be. A special thank you to our PAC Executive for your leadership and support.

*Please drop by for a light lunch.
Parent/Grandparent volunteers
are welcome to attend.*

**This event is for adults only.
Thank you!**

Childcare will be provided in the Multi-Purpose Room

Speaking of Appreciation....

The Thompson staff will be hosting a Volunteer Appreciation luncheon on May 24th for our awesome parent volunteers. A notice has come home today with your child. On that notice there is an RSVP tear off slip that we are hoping you can return if you plan to attend. Hoping you can make it.

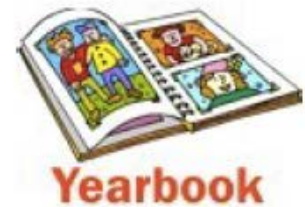
Running Program Update

We have reached our goal of running across Canada. Last week we as a school ran a total of 1071 kms. This takes us far past St Johns, New Brunswick, and well into the Atlantic Ocean. Where shall we run to next? Next we will be catching a flight to the United Kingdom, where we'll start our next challenge running across Europe, the middle east, China, all the way to Tokyo.





**JAMES THOMPSON PAC
YEARBOOK**



It is that time of year again.....The Yearbook Committee is looking for all artists!

The annual yearbook cover contest is now on. All entries are **due Friday May 4, 2018 at the front office. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT LATE ENTRIES.** We need 2 covers: front, and back. The contest is open to all students in all grades. Once the covers are handed in, all students will have a chance to vote for their favourite cover. The 2 covers with the most votes will be used for the 2017 / 2018 yearbook.

All cover submissions **MUST** follow the instructions below in order to be displayed and eligible for voting. Entries with spelling mistakes or in some other way do not follow these instructions will be returned to students and will not be entered in the contest.

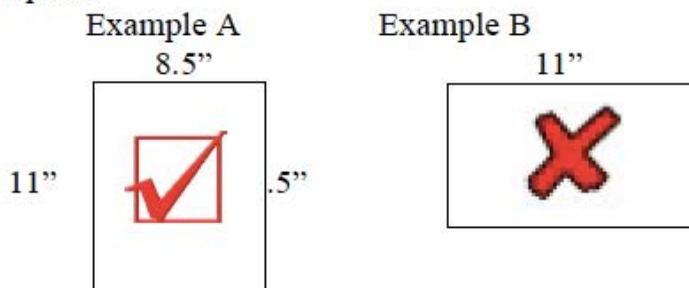
All drawings must include the following:

- James Thompson Elementary
- Thinking Learning Caring
- 2017 / 2018
- A tiger (or tiger stripes, or a tiger paw print, etc.) somewhere on the page
- Student's name and division number on the back **in pencil** (this **CANNOT** show through the back of the paper and must **NOT** be in pen, marker or crayon)
- *8.5" x 11" paper only (letter size). Do not use a bigger or a smaller size paper.*

The following items cannot appear on the drawings:

- NO names of students
- NO inappropriate language

All covers **must** be on 8.5" x 11" paper as in example A. Any cover drawn as example B will not be accepted.



Remember to check your spelling! Show us your stripes by showing your own original artistic creations!

We look forward to seeing all covers.

Yearbook Committee

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| April 27 | Hot lunch Day (pre-ordered) |
| May 3 | K and Grade 6 Immunizations/Jeans Day |
| May 4 | Pizza Day |
| May 9 | Welcome to Kindergarten at 1:15 p.m. |
| May 11 | Pizza Day |
| May 18 | Professional Development Day |

Humboldt Strong
Thanks to all those who contributed. We raised \$283.70 for the cause.

- May 21** *Victoria Day*
- May 22** **Early Dismissal at 2:00 p.m. – RTA AGM**
- May 24 Parent Volunteer Appreciation at 12:10 p.m.
- May 25 Hot lunch day (pre-ordered)
- May 29 Zone Track and Field Meet at Minoru (Grades 3 to 7) *new date

- June 1 Speed Control Performance at 1:30 p.m. Dress like a Rock Star Day
- June 8 Pizza Day
- June 8 Sports Day
- June 12 Band Concert at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- June 22 Year End Assembly at 1:30 p.m.
- June 27 Grade 7 Farewell Dance
- June 28 Last Day of School
- Grade 7 Farewell Assembly



PRESENTS



LEARNING TODAY FOR TOMORROWS WORLD WITH YONG ZHAO

Richmond parents and our community are invited to a **free** discussion and presentation with internationally recognized professor and author, Yong Zhao.

SCHEDULE

May 1, 2018 | 7 – 8:30 pm

English Session

Richmond Secondary

Multi-Purpose Room

Register here:

<http://bit.ly/2H9Xx0t>

May 2, 2018 | 7 – 8:30 pm

Mandarin Session

(Cantonese translators available)

MacNeill Secondary

Foyer

Register here:

<http://bit.ly/2qG0S05>

About Yong Zhao:

Yong Zhao is a Foundation Distinguished Professor in the School of Education at the University of Kansas. He is also a professorial fellow at the Mitchell Institute for Health and Education Policy, Victoria University in Australia as well as a Global Chair at the University of Bath, UK.

Yong Zhao has received numerous awards including the Early Career Award from the American Educational Research Association, Outstanding Public Educator from Horace Mann League of USA, and Distinguished Achievement Award in Professional Development from the Association of Education Publishers. He is an elected fellow of the International Academy for Education and is recognized as one of the most influential education scholars.

His work focuses on the implications of globalization and technology on education. He has published over 100 articles and 30 books, including *Counting What Counts: Reframing Education Outcomes* (2016) and *World Class Learners: Educating Creative and Entrepreneurial Students* (2012).