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WELCOME TO PINETREE SECONDARY

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May 2019

MISSION STATEMENT: Working with our community, we are dedicated to preparing our students for success in a rapidly changing world by providing a supportive learning environment, which recognizes and respects individual difference, encourages students to challenge personal limits and promotes excellence.

Events Calendar 2018-2019



Principal's Message

MAY	
08	After Grad Mtg., Library, 7pm
14	PAC Meeting, 7pm, Library
17	PRO D DAY—No School
20	VICTORIA DAY—No School
25	Concert in the Park - Rocky Point, 10 am - 4 pm
JUNE	
5	Year end band & choir concert - 7 pm, Multi-Purpose Room
6	Dance Recital, 7 - 9 pm - Multi -Purpose Room
7	Dance Recital, 7 - 9 pm -Multi -Purpose Room
15	Grade 12 Grad Dinner & Dance, 5:30 - 11:00 pm, Westin Bayshore
15	After Grad - Scott Creek Middle School, 12 midnight - 4:00 am
20	Awards Luncheon, 12:30 - Multi Purpose Room
24	Eng. 12 Prov., Exam - 9 am Numeracy Assessment - Grades 11/12 - 1 - 4 pm
25	Numeracy Assessment - Grade 10
26	Communications 12 Provincials - 9 - 12
26	Grade 12 Grads Commencement Ceremony - 7pm - The Orpheum Theatre
27	Last day for students - report card pickup

Dear Pinetree Families:

As we move through the month of May it is hard to believe that we have less than two months of this school year left. May is a busy month for us at Pinetree. Students and teachers are working hard at racing towards the finish line in all of our courses. This month we have AP exams happening for a number of grade 12 students. Our graduating students are really beginning to get excited about all of the graduation events coming up. (More about Grad in the grad section of this newsletter). A tradition at Pinetree for the last number of years has been in the spring to celebrate each grade. This involves each grade having a day where at lunch the leadership students, administrators and teachers hand out a treat at lunch. We have already had our Grade 9 and Grade 10 days and our Grade 11 day is May 28 and Grade 12 day on June 5th. Later this month our grade 12 students will help us pick the graduating classes Valedictorian.

While students are thinking about the end of the school year and plans for the summer, the counsellors and admin team are busy planning for next school year. To help us with this planning, if families know that they will be moving and not returning to Pinetree, we ask that they let the office know as soon as possible. Again, this year in the early part of June, returning students will be given a preview of their 2019-2020 schedule. This preview is a chance for students to see their schedule and request changes. The process for requesting changes will be the same as last year with an online request form. Our priority for course

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changes is to try and accommodate those who need a change to help with graduation or university admission. Students will not be meeting with counsellors as the counsellors will be working through the online requests.

Parents should check out the calendar section of the newsletter for information on scheduling for the end of June. Similar to what we did in January to the end of semester one, we will have an altered schedule with classes being double blocked to allow for final exams and project completion.

Thank you

Jeremy Clarke

ENGLISH 12 AND COMMUNICATIONS 12 PROVINCIAL EXAMS

Attention Grade 12's! In order to graduate with a Dogwood Diploma, you **MUST** write the English 12 or Communications 12 Provincial Exam. All students currently taking either English 12 or Comm. 12 will be registered for the Provincial Exam.

English 12 – Monday June 24th 8:30 am

Communications 12 – Wednesday June 26th 8:30 am

Students who missed the Exam Re-Write Session in April, but still wish to take the English 12 or Communications 12 Provincial Exam, **MUST** see Ms. Applewhite to register by the **Friday May 10th** deadline.

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT JUNE 2019

All current Grade 11 Math Students who have not already written the Provincial Numeracy Assessment (REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION) are registered to write this June. E-exam sessions are set for Monday June 24th (PM) and Tuesday June 25th (AM and PM). Dates and times specifying when students are writing will be posted on the front Main Office window on Monday June 10th. Students must check to confirm the date, time and location of their Numeracy E-exam. Should Students have questions or concerns, please see Ms. Applewhite.

The Re-write for Grade 12 Students was on April 25th. Students were given 4 weeks to sign up. If you are in Grade 12 and you have not yet written the Numeracy Provincial Exam, you **MUST** see Ms. Applewhite to register by **Friday May 10th**. This is the last opportunity to write the Exam this school year. **Grade 12 Students are required to write the Provincial Numeracy Exam for Graduation.**

GRADE 12 GRADUATION INFORMATION

At this time of year Pinetree's Grade 12 students are anxiously anticipating the year end activities around graduation. There is a lot of excitement around the planning for Grad Dinner and Dance, After Grad and Commencement. There are several things students must complete for graduation. One important piece is Graduation Transitions. Students must complete a number of projects to be able to graduate. At this time of year, most students have completed all the necessary activities/lessons to complete the requirement for Graduation Transitions. However, all students are encouraged to visit the Grad Transitions page listed below often for information about assignments and to communicate with Ms. Louie about any outstanding work.

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/pinetree/ProgramsServices/gradtransitions/Pages/default.aspx>

Students cannot purchase a ticket for the Grad Dinner and Dance if they have not completed their Graduation Transitions. We also have reminded students throughout the year that attending Grad events is a privilege and students who are struggling to respect our school's code of conduct may not be allowed to attend events.

Our hope is that every Grade 12 student will be able to cross the stage at commencement. Students who are graduating with a dogwood diploma will need to be successfully meeting all the graduation requirements to attend the Commencement ceremony. Students can also participate in Commencement if they are within two courses of graduation and they have a plan for summer school that has been discussed with their Vice Principal.

Lastly many Grads in years past have rented limousines or party buses to get to and from the Grad Dinner and Dance. As a school this is not something we have encouraged as this is often when students make poor choices around using drugs or alcohol before arriving at the event. The Provincial government has put in new regulations for the operators of these vehicles. Below are two links to articles in the Vancouver Sun and CTV news about the changes:

<https://vancouverisland.ctvnews.ca/b-c-to-require-chaperones-on-party-buses-with-minors-1.4384460>

<https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/tougher-rules-for-b-c-party-busses-begin-saturday>

Parents and students need to be aware that all our Grad events are school events and there is no tolerance for students arriving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The hotel where the grad dinner and dance is being held has private security and they are very thorough in checking our students before they are allowed into the venue. Unfortunately, every year some students make poor choices and are turned away at the hotel by the private security. Please talk to your child about making good choices on this special evening and not risking their attendance at the Grad Dinner and Dance, After Grad and the Commencement Ceremony.

Below are some upcoming dates for Grads to be aware of:

GRADE 12 GRAD INFORMATION ON UPCOMING EVENTS

PINETREE SECONDARY GRADUATION DINNER DANCE CLASS OF 2019

DATE & LOCATION: Saturday, June 15th 2019

6:00pm to 11:15pm

The Westin Bayshore Hotel

TICKETS SALES: **Date:** May 13th to May 29th from 9:00 am until 3:45pm
Location: Main office with Mrs Wigman
Price: \$150.00.

Includes a buffet dinner, desserts buffet and unlimited soft drinks.

Only students that have paid outstanding fees will be approved to purchase tickets. A list of eligible students will be posted outside the main office on Wednesday, May 8th.

GUESTS APPLICATION: Available in the Main Office May 1st to May 7th (No date extension)
Due no later than May 7th to your Vice Principal

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Pinetree Commencement

DATE & LOCATION: Wednesday, June 26st 2019@ 7:00pm

The Orpheum Theater , Vancouver

TICKETS SALES: **Date:** May 13th to June 20th from 9:00 am until 3:45pm
Location: Main office with Mrs. Wigman or online
Price: \$7.00
(Grads do not need to purchase a ticket for themselves)

Cap and Gown will be distributed the week of June 17th

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Pinetree After Grad

DATE & LOCATION: Saturday June 15th 2019 from 12 Midnight until 4:00am
Scott Creek Middle School (1240 Lansdowne Drive, Coq.)

TICKETS SALES: **Date:** Ongoing until June 12th
Location: Main office with Mrs. Wigman or online
Price: \$35.00

MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

Music in the Park

Families are invited to the Coquitlam Music Teachers Association's District Music Festival (formerly known as Band in the Park Day or the District Band Festival) on Saturday, May 25th at Rocky Point Park in Port Moody. This is a great opportunity for our school music students to perform for the community! Concert bands from the middle and secondary schools, string orchestras, elementary concert choirs, elementary ukulele ensembles and recorder ensembles.



The Pinetree Secondary Concert Bands will be performing at this event from 10:30 am – 12:40 pm (Grade 9 band, Grade 10 band, and the Grades 11/12 band).

Bring a lawn chair or a beach blanket and enjoy the music of our students!

[Here are more details about the event:](#)

What:: CMTA District Music Festival

When: Saturday, May 25th from 10:00am-4:00pm

Why: Because music is FUN and we want to be involved in our community!

Where: Rocky Point Park bandstand (Port Moody)

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Congratulations to Sunny Liang and Rick Hu.

Five Science 10 Honours students wrote the Micheal Smith National Challenge which emphasizes logical thinking and covers material in the Science curriculum common to all provinces.



Sunny Liang placed 1st in BC and won \$100 for his achievement. Rick Hu was a close 2nd with only one point separating him and Sunny. Well Done!

LIBRARY NEWS

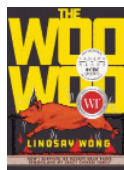
In addition to the additional funds provided by the Pinetree Parent Advisory Committee this year, Pinetree Secondary Library also thanks Ms. Lee-Hayes (known as *Lee-Sensei* to her students) for her support of literacy and reading at the school. Through the years, she has solicited requests, and has quietly purchased and donated novels to the Pinetree library. Thanks to Lee-Sensei, students have had timely access to many of the latest and greatest books out there. Her thoughtfulness and generosity are much appreciated!



Recent donations include Trenton Lee Stewart's *The mysterious Benedict Society*, Cassandra Clare's *Queen of Air and Darkness*, the final installment of *The Dark Artifices Trilogy*, and *The only woman in the room* by Marie Benedict.



Congratulations to Mr Bill Adair, Pinetree Secondary PE teacher, for his recently published book, *The emotionally connected classroom: learning for a healthier, happier brain*. Also, mention should be made of the successful reception of Pinetree grad (2005) Lindsay Wong's *The Woo Woo: How I survived ice hockey, drug raids, demons, and my crazy Chinese family.*, which has received many accolades.



CAREER TRADES

“TRAIN in Trades”

Did you know the school district offers **tuition-free** training in **19+ trades programs**? It is a great opportunity for students entering grade 11 and 12 (even those graduating this June) to gain high school credits and level 1 certification, thus avoiding potential waiting lists at the post secondaries. For more information, visit www.43Careers.com or call/text **Doug MacLean** at **604-341-8977**.

“WORK in Trades”

Regardless of your career aspirations, if you have a **paid job in a trade** (cook, carpenter’s helper, landscaper... over 100 jobs), then you not only are you getting paid, but you can **earn** (up to 16) **high school credits towards graduation**. **Work(ed) 900 hrs before you turn 20** and you can be eligible for **\$1,000 award**. For more information, visit www.43Careers.com or call/text **Joanna Horvath** at **604-312-7739**.

DEVICE USE DURING CLASS TIME

In order to have student focus remain on education during class time, we are asking them to abide by the following guidelines:

- During class time devices should be for educational purposes only. That is, students should not be using their phones to watch movies, text, receive calls, etc. Students can place their phone upside down on their desk, in their jacket, or in their backpack.
- If students need to use the washroom, we ask that they leave their phones behind. A student can leave it in their backpack, place it on the teacher’s desk, whatever they choose.
- Students should not have earbuds in when class is engaged in a lesson.

If students do not adhere to these guidelines, a teacher may ask them for their phone/device. If a student refuses to do this, the teacher may refer them to the appropriate administrator. We are asking parents/guardians to only contact their children on their off block or at lunch. If there is a family emergency, please contact the school office so we can provide support to your child.

UPCOMING TRIP - 2020

HISTORY TRIP TO EUROPE – SPRING BREAK 2020




Europe Trip 2020 Update: Due to insufficient numbers of students signing up, we had initially cancelled the trip. After speaking to our travel agent and having more students coming forward to express interest, we are going to try one more time!

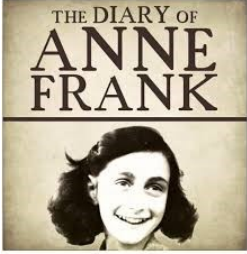
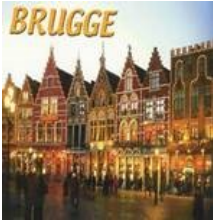


Until the end of May, we will take names and permission forms of additional students. Even though deposits have been returned, **the original students are on our list attend** if the trip happens. If we can get the numbers up to 20 or more students, then the trip is a go! We need a certain amount to keep cost down and to have access to sites as a school group for discounts.





For any questions or for any more information, please contact Paul Kerr or Sandra Loo. (pkerr@sd43.bc.ca sloo@sd43.bc.ca).




Below is the itinerary for this exciting trip:

Europe Tour March 2020

DATE & TIME	ITINERARY	LOCATION
<p>March 14 Day 1</p>	<p>Depart Vancouver for Berlin via Frankfurt</p>	<p>VANCOUVER</p>
<p>March 15 Day 2</p>	<p>Arrive Berlin Transfer to Hotel TBA Afternoon at leisure Small group activities Overnight Berlin</p>	<p>Berlin</p> 
<p>March 16 Day 3</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel Morning 3 hr Walking Tour of Berlin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marvel at the iconic Brandenburg Gate • Visit the site of Hitler's bunker • Explore the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe • Take a picture at Checkpoint Charlie in the former American sector • See the picturesque Gendarmenmarkt • Visit parts of the Berlin Wall that still stand today • Find the illusive Book burning memorial of Babelplatz • Spot the iconic TV Tower <p>Afternoon visit to the DDR Museum Overnight Berlin</p>	<p>Berlin</p> 
<p>March 17 Day 4</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel Depart Berlin for Amsterdam by train</p> <p>Transfer and check in to Hotel Evening at leisure</p> <p>Overnight Amsterdam</p>	<p>Amsterdam</p> 

<p>March 18 Day 5</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning 3 hrs Walking Tour of Amsterdam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See the Anne Frank House, where one of the world's most famous diaries was written • Take pictures of the quintessentially Amsterdam canals, bridges and houses • Discover the Jewish Quarter • Find the hidden churches • Marvel at Multatuli's giant head <p>Learn about the Dutch bike culture</p> <p>Afternoon visit to the Anne Frank House</p> <p>Overnight Amsterdam</p>	<p>Amsterdam</p> 
<p>March 19 Day 6</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning departure by coach for BRUGES</p> <p>Lunch en route</p> <p>Visit Breendonk, former Nazi prison camp.</p> <p>Afternoon sightseeing and dinner in the old part of town</p> <p>Overnight Bruges</p>	<p>Bruges</p> 
<p>March 20 Day 7</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Depart Bruges for YPRES with a morning visit to the Flanders Fields. Lunch in Ypres.</p> <p>Afternoon return to Bruges</p> <p>Overnight Bruges</p>	<p>Bruges</p> 
<p>March 21 Day 8</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning departure for Dieppe.</p> <p>Lunch en route</p> <p>Afternoon visit to Vimy Ridge for a guided tour including the tunnels.</p> <p>Overnight Dieppe</p>	<p>Dieppe</p> 

<p>March 22 Day 9</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Visit to the Dieppe Raid 19August1942 Canadian War Museum</p> <p>Lunch in Dieppe</p> <p>Afternoon departure for Bayeux</p> <p>Overnight Bayeux</p>	<p>Bayeux</p> 
<p>March 23 Day 10</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Early morning departure touring the D Day Beaches,Point Du Hoc,Omaha Beach,US cemetery.</p> <p>Lunch in Arromanche</p> <p>Afternoon return to Bayeux</p> <p>Visit to the Tapestry and Cathedral(optional)</p> <p>Overnight Bayeux</p>	<p>Bayeux</p> 
<p>March 24 Day 11</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning departure Juno Beach for a guided Tour</p> <p>Lunch at Juno Beach</p> <p>Afternoon visit to the Caen Museum including movie.</p> <p>Late afternoon return to Bayeux</p> <p>Overnight Bayeux</p>	<p>Bayeux</p> 
<p>March 25 Day 12</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning departure for Paris with a visit to Versailles en route.Guided tour.</p> <p>Lunch in Versailles</p> <p>Late afternoon arrival in Paris</p> <p>Overnight Paris</p>	<p>Paris</p> 

<p>March 26 Day 13</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning 3 hr Walking Tour of Paris</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MoStroll along the banks of the River Seine • Visit the reconstruction of Notre Dame de Paris • Visit the grounds of the Louvre • Walk through the Tuileries Gardens • Hear the incredible stories of Paris' fascinating past • See the Palais de Justice <p>Ending at the Eiffel Tower</p> <p>Afternoon visit to the Champs Elysees for a self guided walk and shopping</p> <p>Overnight Paris</p>	
<p>March 27 Day14</p>	<p>Breakfast at Hotel</p> <p>Morning visit to a Paris Flea Market or various venues</p> <p>Lunch at the Louvre Museum</p> <p>Afternoon visit of the museum for a self guided tour.</p> <p>Overnight Paris</p>	<p>Paris</p> 
<p>March 28 Day15</p>	<p>Depart Paris for Vancouver</p> <p>End of Tour</p>	 <p>Van-</p>
	<p>TOUR COST PER STUDENT 3800.00 approx.</p> <p>INCLUDING AIRFARE-TRANSFERS-HOTELS-INSURANCE-SIGHTSEEING-TRANSPORTATION-4-5 DINNERS.</p>	



Health and Social Implications of Vaping **School District 43**

Please join Fraser Health and the Coquitlam School District in addressing vaping to:

- Review the **best current evidence** regarding potential health consequences of vaping.
- Discuss **strategies** to engage in dialogues and make informed decisions regarding vaping.
- Learn more about **federal and provincial legislation** around vaping.
- Discuss **vaping products**.
- **Ask questions** you may have about vaping.

Parents, Youth, Staff and Community Service Providers
are welcome at these **FREE** presentations.

Date of Presentation: May 16, 2019
Time: 6:30pm – 8:00 pm
Location: Theater in Heritage Woods Secondary School
Address: 1300 David Ave, Port Moody
FREE Registration: <http://bit.ly/Vaping-Heritage>

Date of Presentation: May 22, 2019
Time: 6:30pm – 8:00 pm
Location: Theater in Terry Fox Secondary School
Address: 1260 Riverwood Gate, Port Coquitlam
FREE Registration: <http://bit.ly/Vaping-Fox>

COMMENCEMENT

2018 - 2019

Commencement for Grade 12s

Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2019

At the

Orpheum Theatre

AWARDS LUNCHEON

2018—2019

Date: Thursday, June 20, 2019

12:30pm

COQUITLAM CONTINUING EDUCATION

Did you know it is never too late to complete your high school studies or train for a new career? Do you want to increase your conversational English language skills and comprehension? Coquitlam Continuing Education has the answer for you.



Browse their Fall catalogue at <http://online.flipbuilder.com/bmrX/wwto/mobile/index.html> to see what they have to offer. You will be pleasantly surprised.

GRAD DINNER DANCE

2018—2019

Westin-Bayshore Hotel

Saturday, June 15, 2019

Pinetree ~ A Smoke Free Environment

In our first week, we will discuss expectations we have of students at Pinetree. Until then, please be aware that Pinetree and all other schools in SD #43, Douglas College and the Coquitlam Community Center, are all "smoke free" environments and there is no smoking of any kind, e.g. cigarettes, cannabis, etc., e-cig or vaping on any of these properties at any time. This applies to all staff, parents, students and visitors.



Please respect this request. Thank you!

STUDENT MESSAGES

In order to continue to provide a high degree of service, we wish to reinforce our policy of **NOT** passing on messages from home to our students. **UNLESS IT IS A MEDICAL OR OTHER SERIOUS EMERGENCY**, we will not provide messaging service.

