



Port Moody Times

Tuesday
September 16, 2025
Day 2

JUNIOR AND GRADE 9 BOYS BASKETBALL

On Tuesday, September 16th at lunch all Grade 9 and 10 students interested in playing Grade 9 and Junior Boys Basketball, please meet Mr. Lloyd in the Small Gym.

PHOTO RETAKES

Photo retakes will take place on Thursday, September 18th in the MPR. Please listen to the announcements that day and come to the MPR when called.

OPEN HOUSE – Thursday, September 18th from 5:30pm – 7pm.

Everyone is welcome to come by the school and meet the teachers.

PMSS CLUB APPLICATIONS

For all students interested in creating a club this year, applications are available in the office! Applications are due on September 19th to Mr. Cameron in the office! The clubs fair will be held on Thursday, September 25th, and September 26, at lunch throughout the school!

TERRY FOX RUN

Hello Port Moody Secondary! The Terry Fox Fundraiser has begun and is running until September 25th! This year's goal is to raise \$3000, that is \$3 per student, and we hope everyone can contribute.

Starting Monday, September 15th, each Block 3 class will receive an envelope for donations, which will be collected and counted daily. The two classes that raise the most money will be awarded with a pizza party. You can also donate via this link, <https://schools.terryfox.ca/PortMoodySecondary> and/or contribute by purchasing this year's Terry Fox shirt through School Cash Online (shirt only available for order on School Cash until Wednesday Sep.17).

We hope you all participate in this year's Terry Fox Fundraiser!"

ONGOING

MORNING STUDENT DROP OFF

This is a reminder to parents and students that drop-off and pick-up is to take place only in the lower parking lot - regardless of time of day or weather conditions. If you are dropping off for an early morning class or team practice, please do so in the lower parking lot.

PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on ***Tuesdays*** and ***Thursdays***, starting ***today***. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies in the Cafeteria under the clock and outside the Library Learning Commons.

PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES: School District 43 uses the KEV School Cash Online for both fee statements and District Policies forms. Relevant fees have been uploaded with email notifications.

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot, please come to the office during lunch or before/ after school to pick up a Parking Registration form.

LOCKERS:

Our enrollment has increased and we are implementing a new program for students to request a locker:
Please use the QR code below to request a locker.



Students will receive an email in their 088 district email account with the locker number and combination.
Thank you for your patience.

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THE BLUES ARE GOING TO COSTA RICA!

MARCH 16-25, 2026!



GET YOUR APPLICATION IN PORTABLE 4

INCENTIVE VOUCHER APPLIES IF YOU PAY THE

\$499 deposit on School Cash by SEPT 25TH.

***For a New Total of: \$4,403CAD**

Payment Schedule:

Deposit – SEPT. 25th **INCLUDES INSURANCE!** = \$499.00.

Make your deposit by SEPT. 25TH your discount!

Payment 2- TBA Payment 3- TBA – 75% of balance



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Port Moody Athletics Annual Apple Fundraiser



Help support our athletic programs this Fall by
purchasing a box of farm-fresh

Honeycrisp

or

Ambrosia

apples from

Sun-Oka Fruit Farms in Summerland, BC.



Scan the QR code and order your box. It's as simple as that!

Share the word (QR code) with anyone and everyone you know!!

Fall sports programs running are:

- Boys and Girls Volleyball
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Field Hockey
- Track and Field

CAREER CENTRE

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

PMSS Career Resource Centre

Main Office. Open from 8:00am – 3:30pm Monday-Friday.

Questions? Email Ms. Chang at mchang@sd43.bc.ca or call 604-939-6656 ext. 2013.

How to keep up with the news? Join the Port Moody Secondary Career center TEAMS page! Code to join: 46n1w80 or follow the Career Centre Instagram or X (Twitter) account @pmsstransitions! Don't forget to check out the [PMSS Online Career Centre website](#)

Post-Secondary workshops and info sessions

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)

***NEW* VAIS US College Fair** is happening at West Point Grey Academy on Thursday, October 9th, 2025 from 5-7pm. VAIS (Vancouver Area Independent Schools) is the largest and longest-running US college fair in British Columbia. Each year, the fair hosts over 60 American universities and colleges. This is an excellent chance for your students to learn more about opportunities for post-secondary study in the United States and to connect with admission representatives. For list of college/s universities that will be included or to register, click [HERE](#)!

StudyIN UK University Fair is coming to Simon Fraser University's Harbour Front Vancouver campus on Friday, October 3rd from 3-7pm. This is an excellent opportunity for your students to meet with representatives from over 50 UK Universities and learn about the options available to them. Students can apply for a 3-year law degree in the UK, directly out of high school, as well as Medicine, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Veterinary Science and more. They can meet top-ranked UK Universities such as the University of Cambridge, Birmingham, Bristol, Exeter, Glasgow, Hertfordshire, Leicester, Leeds, Queen's University Belfast, Southampton, St Andrews, UCL and more! For more information, click [HERE](#)!

SFU STEM Speaker series is back with **Cultivating a Career: Lessons from Rocks, Kids, and Microbes** where the speaker will talk about changing direction (like the speaker's experience from a Geological Engineer to a teacher to scientific research) can actually make you stronger in science and why your career path doesn't have to be set in stone. This free talk will take place Saturday, September 20th from 1pm – 2pm virtually over Zoom. If interested, please register [HERE](#)!

Ivy+ Admissio~~s~~n Info-Session is happening virtually Tuesday September 9th or 23rd at 4:00pm! Please join us for a session with admissions officers representing each of the Ivy+ Institutions. This group includes Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth University, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Princeton University, Stanford University, University of Pennsylvania, and Yale University. Admissions officers will address issues of particular concern to students applying from Canada. We'll be welcoming questions from attendees during the program and look forward to an engaging program! Register [HERE](#) for Tuesday September 9th, and [HERE](#) for Tuesday September 23rd!

BCIT Big Info Night is happening October 8th from 4:00pm – 7:00pm at the BCIT Burnaby campus! Big Info is the largest program expo and information session at BCIT. It's your chance to find out about all our programs - from business and media, computing and IT, engineering, health sciences, trades and apprenticeships, and applied and natural sciences. It's free. It's lively. It's a night of possibilities. Have a chance to win 1 of 3 \$1000 tuition by completing the registration below. Registrants will be emailed a post-event survey after the event to complete in order to enter. Register or find more info [HERE!](#)

Study and Go Abroad Fair is coming on Saturday, Oct 18th from 1pm – 5pm at the Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront! Meet with top universities, graduate schools, and professional schools from Canada and around the world. Please see the website [HERE](#) to register and to see the list of countries and schools that are going to be attending!

List of Important Post-Secondary Events & Info Sessions

School/ Program/ Event	Date	Time	Location
UBC	VIRTUAL ONLY – 2x per month	-----	LINK
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University of Toronto	Wednesday, September 17th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm	Small Gym
Common App walkthrough – EducationUSA Canada	Wednesday, September 24th, 2025	6:00pm – 7:00pm	LINK
How to Apply to Post-Secondary Presentation – Ms. Chang	Wednesday, September 24th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm	Library
Canadian Universities Event (CUE) (public)	Monday, September 29, 2025	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Delta Hotel, Burnaby
Canadian Universities Event (CUE) (SD43)	Wednesday, October 1st, 2025	9:00am – 10:30am	Riverside Secondary School
Simon Fraser University	Thursday, October 2nd, 2025	12:00pm - 12:40pm	Drama Room
Scholarship Meeting #1 (General info about scholarships)	Wednesday, October 8th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
University of Alberta	Thursday, October 9th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
BCIT Health Sciences	Wednesday, October 15th	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
University of Calgary	Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Booth in MPR
University of Victoria	Thursday, October 23rd, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
SD43: UBC - Sauder Ambassador	Friday, October 24th, 2025	1:00pm - 2:00pm	ONLINE
UBC – Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences	Monday October 27th, 2025	5:00pm – 6:00pm	VIRTUAL [LINK TBA]
McMaster University	Tuesday October 28th, 2025	2:00pm – 2:30pm	Library
Queen’s University	Wednesday, October 29th, 2025	2:00pm – 2:30pm (Block 5)	Library
Western University	Monday, November 3rd, 2025	5:00pm – 6:00pm	ONLINE [LINK]
Student Transcript System Workshop Day 1	Tuesday, November 4th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Library
Student Transcript System Workshop Day 2	Wednesday, November 5th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Library
University of Waterloo	Thursday, November 6th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
EducationPlannerBC – Parents as Educators and Career Coaches – Regional SD 36, 37, 38, 40 & 43	Wednesday November 12th, 2025	6:30 pm – 7:45pm	MS TEAMS [LINK]
SFU Beedie	Wednesday, November 12th, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	Drama Room
UBC MD Outreach	Monday, November 17th, 2025	6:00pm - 7:00pm	LINK
Post Secondary BC Fair (PSBC)	Tuesday November 25th, 2025	1:00pm – 3:00pm	Small Gym
Vancouver Film School	Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025	12:00pm – 12:40pm (lunch)	MPR
Scholarship Meeting #2 (Scholarship Package Launch)	Wednesday February 11th, 2026	12:00pm – 12:40pm	Drama Room

General Learning Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

***NEW* JABC Company Program** is a free 16 week experience where Gr. 9-12 students team up to ideate, produce, market and sell their own real-world product or service. Guided by experienced mentors, you’ll gain hands-on experience bringing ideas to life, build skills in teamwork, leadership and problem-solving, and even have the opportunity to take on executive role within your student company. This program takes place Oct 14- Feb 17 at 3012 Murray St in Port Moody. For more information, click [HERE!](#) To register, click [HERE!](#)

***NEW* Mini-Med School (BC Children’s Hospital)** is happening across 5 sessions in Oct and Nov! Participants selected have the option of attending in-person (at BC Children’s Hospital), or virtually (live or on demand). This year, we will explore the world of rare diseases, examining the challenges in diagnosis, treatment, research and patient support. We’ll also look ahead to the future, uncovering how emerging technologies are revolutionizing clinical care and how scientific breakthroughs are shaping global health practices. Scholarship **(\$1000)** available for students who were selected to participate and participated in all sessions! If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Friday, September 26th, 2025.

***NEW* Try/CATCH 2025 – Computing Science Event** invites young girls and non-binary students in high school to introduce them to different aspects of computing science. This includes multiple workshops, panels and a keynote speaker. Try/CATCH will provide snacks and lunch, and participation is FREE for all students. This will happen on Saturday, October 25th, 2025 at the SFU Burnaby Campus. For more info, click [HERE!](#) To apply, click [HERE!](#)

***NEW* University of Victoria – AI 101: Using Artificial Intelligence in University and your Career** is a free online BCom workshop for high school students! Join Gustavson’s Andrew Park for a hands-on introduction to artificial intelligence – text, image, audio and video generation. Learn how AI works, it’s risks and rewards, and how to use it responsibly in school and beyond. This workshop will take place on Thursday, October 9th 2025 at 6pm. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

***NEW* Daydream Vancouver – BC’s Biggest Youth Hackathon** is happening on Saturday, September 27th from 8:30am – 9:00am at BCIT Downtown campus. This is a FREE event of over 300 high school students with a shared passion for computer science, software development, robotics and technology. Join us for hackathons, competitions, mentorship and more! If interested, register [HERE](#)!

WORTH: Women in Orthopaedics Workshop is inviting female students in Grade 10-12 to register for the annual Fall Women in Orthopaedics (WORTH) workshop on Saturday, October 25th, from 9 am to 12:30 pm at BC Children’s Hospital (virtual option available). This invite includes women-identifying individuals and non-binary and gender non-conforming students interested in pursuing a career in healthcare and engineering, specifically in orthopaedics. Goal is to provide more insight and clarity on careers particularly in the areas of orthopaedics and engineering. For more information, click [HERE](#)! To apply, click [HERE](#)! Deadline to apply is October 20th!

Minerva Learning to Lead Program is a FREE online virtual leadership program for self-identified girls in Gr. 10- 12 to help them explore their leadership potential, build confidence and create a supportive network for their educational and career journeys. One participant will be awarded the Youth Leadership Award (\$1000), while another will receive full scholarship to the SHAD Canada Summer Program! Commitment is Wednesdays Oct 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th from 6-8pm. For more information, click [HERE](#). To apply, click [HERE](#)!

Watershed Workforce: Lower Fraser is a free two-day (Sept 27-28) immersive experience designed for youth (ages 15-20) interested in discovering career paths that support watershed health and their communities. Get hands-on with a local project that contributes to watershed health and paddle in a Voyageur canoe with local experts and knowledge holders! This event takes place in Langley and Coquitlam. Interested students must register [HERE](#) by September 19th, 2025.

The 2025 Gairdner High School Symposium is a half-day event (October 20th, 2025 from 9am – 12:15pm) that takes place at the Chan Centre for Family Health Education at BC Children’s Hospital Research Institute each fall that gives Gr. 10-12 students and teachers the opportunity to interact with Gairder award-winning scientists and BC Children’s Hospital Researchers. Students have the option of participating virtually, or in-person. Students need to apply by September 21st, 2025 to be considered for participation. For more information, click [HERE](#). To register, click [HERE](#)!

Trades and Apprenticeship Information

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

Volunteer/Employment Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

***NEW* MoreSports** is hiring Community Coaches! If you’re a passionate, energetic Gr. 11 or 12 student, love sports, working with kids, or simple want to try something new, this opportunity is a great way to grow your skills and make an impact. Coaches are compensated for \$21.00/ hr with a minimum 2 hours per week for 5-8 weeks with flexible scheduling. You’ll receive FREE monthly Professional Development Training & Coaching certification (including First Aid, Canucks Autism Network). For more info, visit [HERE](#) and send your resume and cover letter to hiring@moresports.org.

***NEW* Vancouver Fraser Port Authority – Port Day** is happening on Saturday, September 27th from 12-5pm at Canada Place, Vancouver, Ballrooms A&B! Gr. 11’s and 12’s are invited to attend this event. Whether you're drawn to the call of the sea or prefer to stay anchored on land, the maritime industry offers a vast ocean of opportunities. From navigating ships to managing port lands and funds, there's a role for everyone. Dive into your future! Speak to organizations such as: Canaan Group, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Fraser River Pile & Dredge, BC Coast Pilots, Royal Canadian Navy, Transport Canada, Western Maritime Institute. For more information, click [HERE](#)!

***NEW* Minds in Motion Assistant** is looking for volunteers to assist in a social program for people with early symptoms of dementia. A gentle 45-60 min gentle fitness program is followed by an hour of socializing and activities designed to stimulate thinking, play, laughter and connection. Commitment is a minimum of 6 months every Thursday. There is a Coquitlam (1655 Winslow) opportunity that students 16+ can apply to [HERE](#) or a Burnaby location if you speak Cantonese/ Mandarin at 5034 Rumble street that students can apply to [HERE](#)!

Youth Justice Link is looking to fill their Executive Volunteer positions! If you are in Gr. 10-12 and passionate about promoting access to justice for youth, solving inequalities in our legal system, or want to be a legal professional in the future, apply! It is a one year commitment with weekly online team meetings and monthly in-person meetings. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by September 15th, 2025!

Place des Arts: Youth Arts Council is looking for high school volunteers that participate in 7 council meetings throughout November to May and attend at least 2 events at Place des Arts (Family day on Sunday Feb 8 and YAC Event on Friday May 1). The student must have a strong interest in the Arts (i.e. visual, music, dance, performing or literary arts). If interested, complete the application form [HERE](#) by September 26th! If you have any questions, please email volunteer@placedesarts.ca.

Burke Mountain Clean-up Day is looking for volunteers for Saturday, Sept 27th, 2025 from 1am – 1pm! Earn 3 official volunteer hours logged by the City of Coquitlam with supplies provided by the Park Spark team! Volunteers will help clean local parks and trails, supporting environmental stewardship while gaining valuable community experience. If interested, please email boroandbeyond@gmail.com!

Neulbom Korean School is looking for **Korean School Assistant Volunteers** at Douglas College (Coquitlam Campus) on Saturdays from 2:00pm – 5:00pm. Students must have conversational fluency in Korean. If interested, please email neulbomkorean@gmail.com!

2025 Volunteer Fair is happening on October 4th from 10am – 2pm at Mabbett Hall Port Coquitlam Recreation Centre! Discover the power of community and volunteerism at our 2025 Volunteer Fair. This annual event is **FREE** to the public and an opportunity to explore exciting volunteer roles and meet amazing non-profit staff. It's an event that brings people of all ages and abilities together. Connect with staff that manage volunteers and learn how you can make a difference in your community. Please click [HERE](#) for more info!

Scholarship / Awards

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

***NEW* University of Toronto – Lester B. Pearson Scholarship for INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** (full tuition, books, incidental fees and full residence support) is available for nomination! You must be nominated by Port Moody Secondary in order to apply for this scholarship. International students who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and creativity, is a recognized leader within PMSS, has had an impact on the life of their school and community and has potential to contribute positively to the global community are encouraged to apply! The nomination deadline is Wednesday October 1st, 2025. Nomination forms are available at the Career Centre, the Career Centre TEAMS page, and [Career Centre website](#).

***NEW* University of Toronto – National & Book Award** (full tuition, incidental fees, book, and residence fees) is available for nomination! You must be nominated by Port Moody Secondary in order to apply for this scholarship. Canadian (citizens, Permanent Residents, or protected persons) Secondary students intending to begin university the following academic year at U of T who demonstrate superior academic performance, original and creative thought and exceptional extra-curricular achievement in a broad context are encouraged to apply! The nomination deadline is Friday, September 26th, 2025. Nomination forms are available at the Career Centre, the Career Centre TEAMS page, and [Career Centre website](#).

***NEW* AES Engineering Scholarship** (\$1000) is open to all high school seniors and evaluation will be on the basis of character as determined by a submitted essay (500-1000 words) that answers the question “When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey?” If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Wednesday, October 8th, 2025.

***NEW* January Marie Lapuz Youth Leadership Awards** (\$1000) is open for any youth (domestic or international) who are between the ages of 16-30 and have demonstrated involvement, commitment and leadership in the 2SLGBTQ+ community. Note that the applicant themselves do not necessarily need to be 2SLGBTQ+. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by December 31st 2025!

LORAN Awards (\$100,000) are now open for students entering university for the first time in September 2026! Students must present a minimum cumulative average of 85% and be a Canadian or Permanent Resident. To learn more, you can attend an online info session on [Tuesday, September 16th](#) or [Thursday, September 18th](#). If interested, please apply [HERE](#) by Thursday, October 16th, 2025.

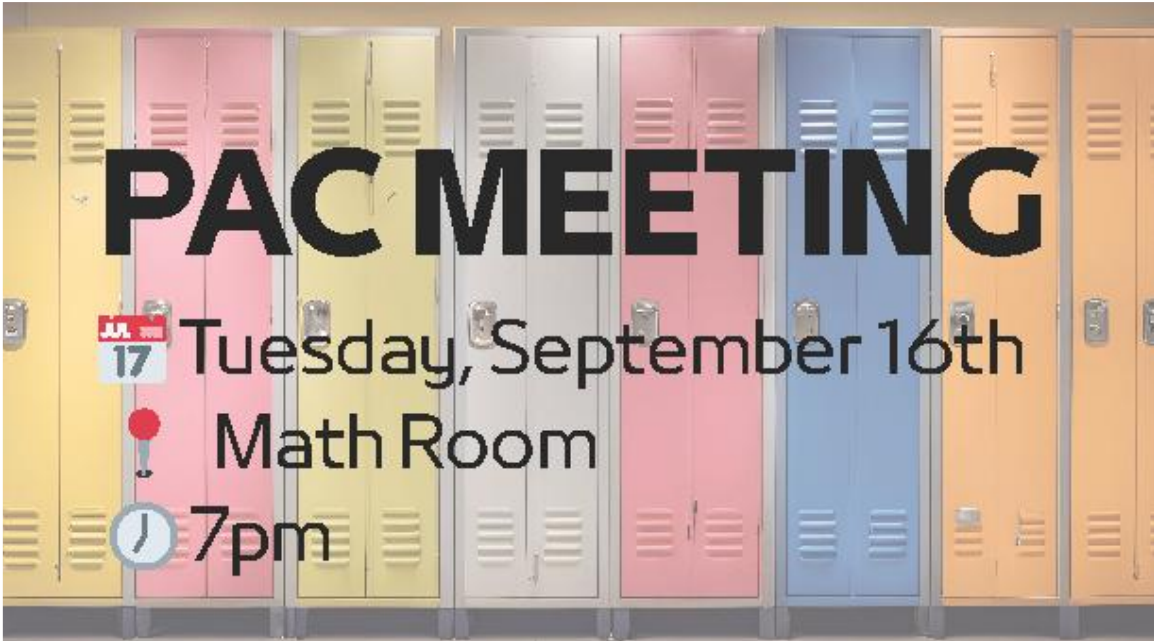
TD Scholarships for Community Leadership (<\$10,000) is open to Canadian/ Permanent Resident/ Refugee students who have demonstrated community leadership and are in their final year of high school. The student must also have achieved a minimum of 75% in their most recently completed school year. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by October 22nd, 2025!

Jake Weitz Memorial Scholarship (\$10,000) is open to Canadian or Permanent Resident students who have taken Eng 12, Math 11, Physics 11, and a Science 11 and is intending to apply to post-secondary for Automotive Services, Heavy Duty, or Aviation. Preference is given to students who demonstrate financial need. Please apply [HERE](#) by March 1st, 2025.




Basant Motors Scholarship 2025 (\$34, 000) is open to all graduating high school seniors with a minimum GPA of 3.2 (~83%) and demonstrates the attributes of good citizenship and service in school and the community. The student also must be planning to attend a post-secondary institution in 2026. Please apply [HERE](#) by Sunday, September 28th, 2025.

PARENTS

PMSS 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Please click [HERE](#) for the 2025-2026 School Calendar



PAC MEETING


 Tuesday, September 16th
 Math Room
 7pm

We Need YOU!

- ✦ Hear from Family Smart
 - discover the supports and services available for families.
- ✦ Volunteer for PAC executive co-roles
 - share the load and make a difference.
- ✦ Help plan Grade 12 After Grad
 - without parent volunteers, this event can't happen!

Everyone Welcome!

Come connect, get informed, and get involved.

 For more info or to sign up, contact:
[portmoodysspac@gmail.com]

For information regarding PAC, please visit <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Parents/PAC/Pages>

AFTERGRAD



Volunteers NEEDED

2025/26 GRADE 12 AFTER GRAD

Calling all parents!

The After Grad event is organized entirely by parent volunteers, and we need your help. No parent support means the event will be cancelled.

We're forming sub-committees to take on different parts of the planning, and we'd love for you to join in. With your support, our grads can have the safe, fun celebration they deserve.

We need help with...

- Fundraising and Donations
- Event Day Support and Logistics
- Activities
- Food
- Prizes
- Marketing and Communications

Contact us: PortMoodyAfterGrad@gmail.com