



Port Moody Times

Tuesday
April 21, 2026
Day 2

Every Friday is Blues Friday!



2 WEEKS AT A GLANCE

WEEK OF APRIL 13-17

MON-13	TUES-14	WED-15	THUR-16	BLUES FRIDAY -17	SAT/SUN-18/19
<p>DAY 2</p> <p>STAFF MEETING 2:15PM</p> <p>GIRLS RUGBY @FOX</p> <p>YOM HASHOAH HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY</p>	<p>DAY 1</p> <p>MATINEE</p> <p>HAPPY VAISAKHI</p>	<p>DAY 2</p> <p>MIDDLE SCHOOL ARTICULATION</p> <p>PAC MEETING 7PM</p> <p>VALEDICTORIAN SHORTLIST AVAILABLE</p> <p>TERM MARKS DUE</p> <p>MATINEE 7PM</p>	<p>DAY 1</p> <p>PMSS DAY</p> <p>MATINEE 7PM</p>	<p>DAY 2</p> <p>GIRLS RUGBY TOURNAMENT-LANGLEY</p> <p>MATINEE 7PM</p>	<p>Happy Non-Binary Parents Day!</p>

Sikh Heritage Month



GENOCIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH



DINNER DANCE & AFTERGRAD TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE

WEEK OF APRIL 20-24

MON-20	TUES-21	WED-22	THUR-23	FRIDAY-24	SAT/SUN-25/26	LOOKING AHEAD
<p>DAY 1</p> <p>LEARNING UPDATES PUBLISHED</p> <p>DH MEETING 3PM</p> <p>HOLD AND SECURE DRILL 1PM</p> <p>GIRLS RUGBY @BURNABY LAKE FIELD</p> <p>LITERACY 12 ASSESSMENT</p>	<p>DAY 2</p> <p>SPRING MUSIC CONCERT</p> <p>LITERACY 10 ASSESSMENT</p>	<p>DAY 1</p> <p>SPRING ROCK CONCERT</p> <p>VALEDICTORIAN SPEECHES - BLOCK 4</p> <p>NUMERACY 10 ASSESSMENT</p>	<p>DAY 2</p> <p>TEACHER CONFERENCES (ALTERED BELL SCHEDULE)</p>	<p>DAY 1</p> <p>PMSS EXCELLENCE BREAKFAST</p> <p>INDIGENOUS EDUCATION FOCUS DAY</p> <p>krispy kreme pre-orders DUE TODAY</p>		<p>APRIL 28: IB PHYSICS PAPER 1 (PM)</p> <p>APRIL 29: IB PHYSICS PAPER 2 (PM)</p> <p>APRIL 30: GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATIONS</p> <p>APRIL 29-MAY 1: INDIGENOUS TRADES SAMPLER</p> <p>APRIL 30/MAY 1: DONUT PICK-UP</p> <p>MAY 1: IB GEOG FIELDWORK</p> <p>MAY 1: PAC AFTERGRAD BINGO 5PM</p> <p>MAY 4: IB HISTORY PAPER 1&2 (PM)</p> <p>MAY 4: STAFF MEETING 2:15PM</p> <p>MAY 5-8: SPRING MARKET @LUNCH</p>

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LOST & FOUND



If you have lost a phone or watch, please come by the office during lunch or before/ after school to claim by unlocking the device.

BADMINTON

Congratulations to the Senior Boys', Senior Girls', Junior Boys', and Junior Girls' badminton teams for finishing first in SD43. Each team has the opportunity to bring a banner home to PMSS next month. Go BLUES!

LIBRARY CLOSURES THIS WEEK

This week the library is closed, and laptops are unavailable on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday this week as the library and laptops are being used for provincial assessments.

Thursday is Poem In Your Pocket Day!

Pick up a poem from the library to carry with you and share with others. Drop by the library video booth and record yourself speaking your poem for the library Instagram.

KRISPY KREME SALE

Krispy Kreme Donuts- final pre-order dates is this **Thursday April 23rd**. You must order and pre-pay by then. Come to the MPR on Tuesday and Thursday to pay. A box is \$12 and \$1.50 per donuts. Quantities are limited. Pick up dates are April 30th and May 1st.



Thursday, April 23rd – Altered Bell Schedule

1	7:40 - 8:40
2	8:44 - 9:44
3	9:48 - 10:48
Lunch	10:48 - 11:23
4	11:23 - 12:23
5	12:27 – 1:27
Parent Teacher Conferences (online booking)	2:00 - 4:00
Parent Teacher Conferences (Drop-in: Gym)	5:00 – 7:00



Friday, April 24 is a Pro D Day (no school)

PMSS DEBATE COMPETITION – GATHERING DEBATERS

The Student Speech Council Club and the PMSS Debate Club are excited to host a school-wide **Team Debate Competition** – and we're looking for **participants!**

Date: TBD (expected early May)

Format: Beginner-friendly, simplified CNDF

Grand Prize: \$50 cash prize for the winning team

Whether you're new to debate or already love public speaking, this is a great opportunity to challenge yourself, build confidence, and have fun!

If you're interested in being a speaker, **sign-up with the link** found below:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/XKN1SB1t14>

CLUB LEADERS

Each year, we collect names of students who have provided service to the school. As the leaders of clubs, you know best who played an important role in your club. Here's the awards that are available..

1) Leadership: student who provides leadership to other students in the school. Usually the leader of a club, but could also be a very involved member that has helped lead. This would not include someone who attends meetings, or even helps out at club events, it is specifically for students who have shown leadership. There should be at most 3-4 people getting a leadership award for a club. Most would have 1-2.

2) Service to PMSS: Most clubs do not qualify for this award. Your club must do something directly for PMSS. In that case, students in the club could be nominated for a service award if they did a significant amount (not just that they showed up for a meeting or two). If your club raises money or awareness for an outside organisation (Amnesty, Canadian Cancer, Share etc) those organisations should be recognising your group members for their contributions, but the school will not.

If you have people that you would like to nominate, please email Ms. Tsui ASAP, before **Thursday, April 23rd**.

Things to include:

Student Name

Grade

Student Number

Name of Club

Teacher sponsor for club

Award being nominated for (Leadership or Service)

LIBRARY PHONE CHARGER

The library phone charger is back in service as of, Monday, March 30th, with some changes.

Students using the library phone charger will exchange their phone for a wooden token when placing their phone in the locker. This token can then be placed in the classroom phone hotel.

When retrieving their phone from the charging locker students return the wooden token to the locker for the next user to take.

Please ask a member of library staff for help as we implement this new system.

GRAD DINNER & DANCE/ AFTER GRAD

Dinner & Dance and After Grad tickets are now available for purchase online until **May 1st**.

All outstanding fees must be paid and school policy forms must be completed before students can pick their seats for Dinner and Dance. Please log onto your CashOnline account to check for any outstanding/ incomplete items.

Seat selection begins April 21st – 23rd.

After Grad tickets are only available for students who are planning on going to Dinner & Dance.

PMSS GRAD WEAR

Order Your Personalized Grad Hoodie Today!! \$50.00 @ SCHOOLCASHONLINE. Deadline is May 31st.



SPRING FLING IS COMING

On Friday May 22nd, Leadership will be hosting our traditional Spring Fling. Stay tuned to our Instagram account @pmss_bluesleadership for what is coming and ways to get involved! There will be live performances, food trucks, club booths, teacher competitions and a teacher vs student competition.

2026 PORT MOODY SECONDARY RAFFLE

TO SUPPORT PMSS ROBOTICS, AFTER GRAD, ATHLETICS AND MUSIC!



BC GAMING EVENT LICENSE: #169592
KNOW YOUR LIMIT - PLAY WITHIN IT
MUST BE 19+ YEARS OF AGE AND LOCATED IN B.C. AT TIME OF PURCHASE
TICKET COST 1 for \$10
MAXIMUM 10,000 TICKETS TO BE SOLD
WINNERS CONSENT TO RELEASE OF THEIR NAMES BY LICENSE
DRAW: APRIL 30th AT NOON AT PMSS OFFICE



Prize 1 – Fun Around Town! (Value: \$2,797) Prize 2 – Golf Power Play! (Value: \$1,825)
Prize 3 – Blues Pride! (Value: \$1,325) Prize 4 – Musically Inclined! (Value: \$1,000)

PRIZE 1 FUN AROUND TOWN! Value: \$2,797

- 3 Nights at Fairmont Chateau Whistler
- Vancouver FC Tickets & Hats
- Arts Club 'Come from Away' Tickets
- BC Lions Tickets
- Coquitlam Express Tickets & Merch



PRIZE 2 GOLF POWER PLAY! Value: \$1,825

- Golf Rounds at Pitt Meadows & Golden Eagle
- Women's Golf Attire
- Golf Lesson
- Coolers & Gift Cards
- Privacy Consulting Session



PRIZE 3 BLUES PRIDE! Value: \$1,325

- Samsung 75" 4K UHD TV
- PMSS Nest Merchandise
- Gift Basket
- Tim Hortons Gift Card



PRIZE 4 MUSICALLY INCLINED! Value: \$1,000

- Acoustic & Electric Guitars
- Tom Lee Music Gift Card



Scan the QR code to support

Blues Athletics!



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.

Please also remember not to use the upper teachers' parking lot to drop off/ wait for their children and/ or to use as a turnabout.

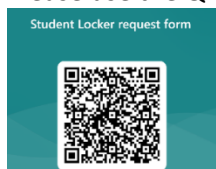
PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies in the Cafeteria under the clock and outside the Library Learning Commons.

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:

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.

OFF BLOCK STICKERS

Gr. 12 students who need an off block sticker can pick it up in the office during lunch or before/ after school.

LIBRARY

The library currently has over 100 books overdue. Check your school email every Monday to see if you have any overdue library material. Please remember that our loan period is 3 weeks for most things except technology. Technology loans are for one class only and are due back at the end of the day. Thanks for helping us by bringing back your overdue library materials so others can enjoy them!

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* Discover University of Toronto in Vancouver** is happening on Sunday, April 26th 2026 from 11am – 12:30pm at the Fairmont Waterfront, MacKenzie Ballroom! This is an information session for prospective students in Gr. 9-11 and their families and supporters. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to connect with our faculties and campuses as they start exploring university options. U of T representatives will be on hand to answer your questions about our programs, campuses, unique learning experiences, the application process, and anything else you need to know about the unparalleled opportunities that await you at the University of Toronto! For more info, or to register, click [HERE!](#)

Global Post-Secondary Fair for Students & Athletes is happening on the Pro-D day (Friday, April 24th, 2025) from 11am – 1pm at Southridge School, Surrey! 20 universities from across Canada, US and the UK/ Europe regarding Medicine, Law, Business, Art & Design, STEM, NCAA sports and more! Space is limited, so please register [HERE](#) if interested!

General Learning Opportunities

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

***NEW* Camp Justice** is a one week day camp for 14-19 year old students interested in law and want to learn about justice and build advocacy and leadership skills! Learn from justice professionals and build your legal skills. Watch court, learn to negotiate, build legal skills and have fun! It will take place at #260-800 Hornby St., Vancouver. The time of the camp is 9am – 4pm and you can choose between Session 1: July 6–10, Session 2: July 13–17, Session 3: July 20–24, Session 4: July 27–31, Session 5: August 10–14 and Session 6: August 17–21. The camp costs \$400 with financial supports available. If interested, click [HERE!](#)

***NEW* Emily Carr's Summer Institute for Teens (SIT)** is a one-month immersive for ages 16-18 at Emily Carr University, Canada's #1 art and design university. Students create portfolio-ready projects, prepare for post-secondary study and connect with peers, ending with a public exhibition at ECU. Choose from: Drawing, Animation, Painting, Architectural Design, Illustration, Digital Animation, Communication Design, Digital Illustration, Industrial Design, Digital Photography,

University-prep: Visual Arts Studio and University-prep: Curating + Exhibitions. The cost for each program is \$2713.20 (or \$2921.20 for international students). If interested, register [HERE!](#)

NEW LaSalle College's Summer Creative Camps are a new immersive, hands-on, week-long experiences for high school students ready to explore careers in: [Fashion, Styling & Photography](#) (July 6-10, \$450), [Culinary Arts](#) (July 13-17, \$450), [Game Design & Programming](#) (July 20-24, \$450), [Graphic & Interior Design](#) (July 27 – 31, \$480.58) and [Filmmaking](#) (August 4-7, \$360). The workshops will take place from 9am – 4pm the week they're scheduled. Join one week or combine multiple weeks to build your teen's ideal summer experience! For more info, click [HERE!](#)

NEW Coquitlam X NaloxHome is providing a free **Naloxone Training** workshop at Coquitlam City Centre Library on Tuesday April 28th from 6-8pm! In BC's deadly overdose crisis, primary prevention is needed to combat the illicit-drug toxicity deaths each month. This is where NaloxHome steps in! By watching a NaloxHome presentation, you will know much more about BC's overdose crisis and how to contribute to its demise. As well, you will be able to recognize an overdose and potentially save someone's life with naloxone. Resources and refreshments will be available. Get Naloxone training and kits to take home! Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are accepted. For more information, or to register, click [HERE!](#)

Women in ORTHopaedics (WORTH) Workshop: Unpacking Olympic Injuries is happening virtually on Saturday, April 25th from 10am – 11:30am. In this interactive session, students will "unpack Olympic injuries" by exploring the types of musculoskeletal injuries that can occur in high-level sport. Members of the orthopaedic team will walk through real-world examples of injuries seen in Olympic and elite athletes and discuss how healthcare professionals work together to diagnose, treat and rehabilitate these injuries. All young women in Gr. 10-12 are welcome to attend. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

Indo-Fijian Youth Wellness Retreat is a one-of-its-kind experience for Indo-Fijian youth (15-25) to participate in mental health education, overdose response and naloxone training, cultural safety and wellness workshops and many other fun activities—at no cost! This retreat will take place on Saturday May 16 – May 18 (with a virtual orientation on May 14) at Glacier Valley Retreat Centre in Squamish BC. If interested, register [HERE!](#) If you have questions, please email Shannon Perman at info.cfofo@gmail.com or Shawn Kumar at shawnkumar@hotmail.ca. Highlights of the previous retreat can be found [HERE!](#)

UBC STEM Fellowship – Exploring Computer Science: Research & Beyond for Women-identifying Students is a free interactive session designed for women-identifying and non-binary students to learn more about what a career in computer science research looks like! This event will take place on Friday, May 15th, 2026 from 1:00pm – 2:30pm at the Computer Science Building (ICICS) Room 146 at UBC, Vancouver. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 24th, 2026! There are only 20 spots available!

Trades and Apprenticeship Information

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

Volunteer/Employment Opportunities

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

NEW Coquitlam and Port Moody Summer Farmer's Market is looking to fill all volunteer positions for the 2026 Summer Farmer Market season including set-up, take-down, Kid's Power of Produce tent and our Kid's Craft tent. Coquitlam's market is open from May to October on Sundays from 9am – 1pm and the Dogwood Pavilion Parking Lot, while the Port Moody market is open from June to October on Wednesdays from 3-7pm at the Port Moody Rec Parking lot. If interested, apply [HERE!](#)

NORCECA Men's U19 Continental Championship is looking for volunteers at SFU for May 11 – May 17 (with a mandatory info session on Monday May 11) to fill in key roles in volunteer services, Field of Play, and Anti-Doping Test Chaperone services. This is an exciting opportunity to be a part of an international event and help deliver a high performance competition environment. If interested, register [HERE](#) by Tuesday, May 5th, 2026.

Scholarship / Awards

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

NEW **Dr. Hal Weinberg Scholarship 2026** (\$3000) is open to Gr. 12 students residing in Anmore and graduating from high school. Applicants must have plans to pursue post-secondary education. Recipients must enroll in a post-secondary institution within 1 year and provide proof of enrollment to receive the scholarship. Applicants must also demonstrate exceptional community service in Anmore, including volunteer hours. Volunteering specifically within Anmore or with the Anmore Youth Group is highly valued. Nominees must demonstrate proof of their academic achievements as well as their extracurricular activities. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, May 19th, 2026!

NEW **Horatio Algiers – Vocational & Technical Scholarships** (\$3000 - \$9000) is open to students who are completing high school by July 1st and have enrolled in hands-on, vocational, technical or trades training in Fall 2026 at a public or not-for-profit institution. The applicant must demonstrate critical financial need (applicants must show household annual net income of \$100,000 or less), demonstrate perseverance in overcoming adversity, be under the age of 35 and be a Canadian Citizen or a permanent resident living in BC. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 15th!

NEW **Electronics Recycling Association (ERA) Scholarship Competition** (<\$10,000 + laptop and additional 3 laptops for charity) is open to applicants that are full or part time students residing in Canada that is willing to develop and execute a marketing plan and organize an electronic waste collection initiative in their community. You will be responsible for planning, promotion, outreach and execution. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by November 15th, 2026!

***NEW* Educational Facility Managers Association of BC Bursaries** (\$1500 x 7) is offered to secondary students completing their Gr. 12 year who will enter a recognized post-secondary educational institution in the 2025/ 2026 term. Preference given to students entering the fields of engineering, architecture, or building technology. All applicants must be dependents of school district employees in the school facilities area (i.e. Maintenance or custodial). If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 30th, 2026!

Indo-Canadian Business Association of BC (Varies – multiple scholarships available) is open to Indo-Canadian Grade 12 students graduating in 2026 in one of the three categories: 1) Academics, 2) Sports, 3) Special needs. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Sunday, April 26th, 2026!

PARENTS

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

Upcoming Meetings

- **Regular PAC Meeting:** May 12 at 7 pm — **Election Night**
- **After Grad Meeting:** May 7 at 7 pm, Room 222

Why We Need You

We would love to see more parents join us at the April meeting. May is election month, and we need people to step into roles—the Chair position must be filled. For the past three years, the same five people have been covering all positions, and we truly need more support.

High school PAC is very different from Elementary or Middle School:

- Meetings are shorter.
- There is one main responsibility: deciding how to distribute the annual gaming grant to school clubs.
- To receive a gaming grant of **over \$25,000**, we must have a **Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary**.

If your child participates in any sport or club, these roles directly impact them. Without these positions, **there will be no gaming grant in the fall**, and clubs will not receive funding.

Attached a sample of this past year and clubs we supported.

PAC also oversees the Grade 12 After Grad event. This requires parent involvement, as a significant amount of fundraising is done to support the celebration.

At many schools, Grade 11 parents lead the planning so Grade 12 parents can enjoy the final year with their kids. Unfortunately, our school has had low volunteer turnout. Two years ago, the event had to be cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

Parents from all grades are encouraged to attend meetings and get involved. Volunteering gives you a clear picture of what happens and helps ensure the event continues for future years.

All caregivers are welcome—grandparents, aunts, uncles, anyone who enjoys helping out. If you're missing the social connection that came with elementary school pick-ups and playdates, PAC is a great way to meet new people.

Rafflebox Fundraiser

This year, Athletics, After Grad, Robotics, and Music have partnered to raise funds through Rafflebox. Please share the link with family and friends across BC. If every family sold just 10 tickets, each group would receive much-needed support—and you'll be entered to win an amazing prize package.

Rafflebox link:

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/pmss/6>

Interested in Helping?

If you'd like more information about volunteering with After Grad or taking on a PAC role, we welcome co-positions if you'd like to ease into things.

Our website and social links are available on our Linktree:

<https://linktr.ee/portmoodyaftergrad#535524388>

If you have connections to any businesses that may want to sponsor the Science World event or donate to the silent auction, please reach out.

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

AFTERGRAD



SPRING PLANT FUNDRAISER

Shop beautiful plants, flowers and more from our online fundraiser and help support the Grads of 2026!

Orders Due: April 22nd
Pick up: May 5th @ PMSS




Calling all Grads!

TIP.TOP future since 1909
ENGLISH | FRANCAIS

PROM PLEDGE 2026

Port Moody Secondary




School Code: SCHOOL-BC-00062

Your prom look = \$25 for your school

- Buy any suit or prom outfit and they'll donate \$25 to PMSS
- Just show the barcode or ender code at checkout
- Works in store and online



80's NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026
PORT MOODY SENIOR SECONDARY
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM - ROUND 1 BEGINS AT 7PM

\$1,000 GRAND PRIZE

\$25 ENTRY FEE

- ★ \$1,000 Grand Prize Round
- ★ 50/50
- ★ Silent Auction
- ★ Best Dressed 80s Costume prize
- ★ Much more fun to be added!

Entry Fee includes a booklet with 3 games for each of the 5 rounds!

Early Bird

- ♥ Get an extra card for the final round - Save \$10
- ♥ Early bird payments must be submitted in full by Sunday, April 19th

- 👑 Enjoy snacks, prizes... and fun
- 👑 Limited quantities available
- 👑 1 entry fee per person required
- 👑 19+ event
- 👑 Scan the QR code to get your order form



SCAN ME!

BC Gaming License #171335 | Sponsored by PMSS PAC

Flip Give Online Shopping & Gift Cards – Shop at participating stores year-round using our team code **CJWDGL**. A percentage of each purchase supports After Grad. This is the perfect opportunity to support After Grad whether shopping for gifts or everyday essentials.



Return It Express – Recycling bottles and cans at any Return It Express is a great way to support PMSS After Grad throughout the year. Simply use account "update your account settings to have you returns donated to PORT MOODY AFTER GRAD when you drop off your recyclables, and this will go towards After Grad fundraising efforts.



COMMUNITY



Need volunteer hours? We got you covered.



Vancouver International Children's Festival

PERKS:

- FLEXIBLE HOURS**
- FLEXIBLE POSITIONS**
- SNACKS**
- MAKE FRIENDS**
- CONFIRMATION FOR # OF HOURS VOLUNTEERED**
- REFERENCE LETTER FOR PEOPLE WHO VOLUNTEER MIN. OF 24 HOURS**



Mention you were recruited by
★ Lisa Naumov ★

236-466-1480 Volunteer@childrensfestival.ca