

#### **LOST & FOUND**

There are tables set up with Lost & Found items by the front entrance near the MPR. Please take a look during lunch or after school if you have lost anything this school year. Any unclaimed belongings will be donated.

#### The Drama Club Presents - The Importance of Being Earnest - Buy Tickets Below

This one act version of the play, originally written by Oscar Wilde, adapted by Jason Pizzarello, is skillfully performed by seven actors and assisted by some dedicated crew members. Join us for an evening of hijinks, laughter, and mistaken identity, as we discover the importance of being earnest.

Play takes place in the Drama Room at Port Moody Secondary School at 7pm. Doors open at 6:30pm.

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## **PAWS FOR A CAUSE**



Paws for a Cause is having a bubble tea sale to fundraise for Woody the cat!

Order your bubble tea from November 20-22 at lunch in the MPR or afterschool. Bring your student ID number and 7 dollars! We offer lychee oolong tea with coconut jelly or royal milk tea with pearls.

The bubble tea will be distributed on November 28 after school. All proceeds go to the cat in need, please support Woody!

#### **SOAR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

Grade 10 students interested in signing up to be SOAR Leaders for next year can pick up an application form from the door to the Biology Office (Room 3003) between Rooms 323 and 324. You must have 2 PMSS staff recommend you and have a parent signature on the form. Forms must be returned to Ms. Tsui in Room 323 by Friday, November 29th at 3:15pm.

#### JANUARY MARIE LAPUZ YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

This annual award is given to exceptional youth 16 to 30 who have shown commitment and leadership within the 2SLGBTQ+ community. The winner receives a cash prize of \$1000, First Runner Up receives \$600, Second Runner Up receives \$400. Honorable mentions receive \$200 and Emerging Leaders receive \$200.

Sher Vancouver would like to recognize all those youth who work tirelessly for the 2SLGBTQ+ community and we would appreciate your help to spread the word about this award.

The deadline to receive applications is December 31, 2024. Please click on the link below for full details about the award and to learn more about Sher Vancouver.

https://januaryfilm.com/youthaward/#apply

#### **ROBOTICS CLUB**

The Robotics Club hosted 22 teams for a tournament this weekend and it was a great success! Lots of fun to see so much incredible robot engineering and programming throughout the competition. Broken parts and broken code, but thankfully no broken spirits as all of the team prepare for qualifiers in 3 weeks. Mr. Olinyk and Mr. Pyo are very proud of the students on all three of our school teams, as well as the PMSS students on Parabellum and Furious Frogs and finally all the PMSS alumni that came out to help. And a special thanks to the Jr Boys and Sr Girls basketball teams for being flexible and helping set up on Friday.

#### **BLUES RUN CLUB (SUN RUN)**

Are you an amateur runner or wanting to break a new personal best? Join the Blues Run Club 10k Sun Rype Youth Team Challenge with Port Moody Secondary next April! Students + friends and family welcome! (signing up with us is cheaper than individual pricing). Contact <a href="mailto:ose-jryu@sd43.bc.ca">ose-jryu@sd43.bc.ca</a> for more information.

#### **CLUBS AND CLUB MEMBERS**

Yearbook is now starting on the club section, please take your own photos as there are 60+ clubs and you have a better understanding of your club / particular events. We will only print the first 40 clubs who respond meaning? We will need 2-3 photos (cell phone shots are fine) and a short write up. If you would rather have the yearbook staff take one of your group shots, let us know. Direct all questions, photos and a short write up with the name of your club to 088-JYANG3@sd43.bc.ca. QR code below. DEADLINE: DEC. 1ST.



#### **YEARBOOKS**

The PMSS 2024-2025 yearbooks are now available for purchase. They are \$60 per yearbook and can be purchased on Cash Online. They sold out very quickly last year so don't delay in getting one before they sell out.

#### **TUTORING CLUB IS BACK!**

Looking for some help with your classes? The student tutors at the Tutoring Club would love to help. We are available Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch, Block 5 and after school. Lunchtime tutoring sessions take place in room 311, and Block 5/after school sessions are in the Youth Worker room—directly across from the Library Learning Commons. It's a drop-in program, you don't need to sign-up for tutoring! If you're interested in being a tutor, please see Ms. Nembhard in the office.

# **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.

**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.

#### **STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORMS**

This is a reminder for parents/ guardians to log onto their MyEd parent portal to view their student information verification form. If any changes are to be made, please make corrections on a printed form and return it to the office.

#### **TRANSLINK**

As Translink is increasingly busy, please keep the following in mind when you are taking public transit.

- Be mindful of where you are standing when the bus is coming to a stop. Moving away from the curb allows the driver to pull in safely.
- Remember that other students want to get on the bus. Pushing your way to the front of the line makes everything slower for everyone.
- With construction, the bus stop locations have changed. Check the signs or your app carefully to make sure that you're at the right bus stop.
- Other bus riders may not want to hear your conversation—keep the volume down.
- You might miss the bus, or it might be full. Another one will be along soon.
- If you see something unusual when you're on public transit, report it to a uniformed attendant, or text 87.77.77

We all need to work together to make a transit system that it safe for everyone!

#### **GR. 12 OFF-BLOCK STICKERS**

Gr. 12 students who need an off-block sticker can pick them up at lunch or after school at the office. Please bring your Go-Card and a copy of your schedule.

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

# 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 <a href="PMSS Online">PMSS Online</a> Career Centre website

## Post-Secondary workshops and info sessions

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit **HERE** 

Port Moody Secondary Post-Secondary Info-Sessions: Check out the time/date/location for when you can learn about each school and ask representatives questions!

School/ Program/ Event	Date	Time	Location
UBC MD Faculty of Medicine	November 26th	7:00pm - 8:00pm	ZOOM LINK
SFU Beedie	November 28th	11:58 - 12:40pm (lunch)	Library
UVic's Faculty of Engineering	November 29th	12:20pm - 1:15pm	MPR (Booth)
UBC Sauder	November 29th	5:00pm - 6:00pm	ZOOM LINK
Langara	December 4th 2024	11:56 - 12:36pm (lunch)	Drama Room

**Toronto Metropolitan University** is hosting an online webinar for out of province applicants on December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024 at 3:30pm. Learn more about TMU and how to apply! Learn about our 60+ undergraduate programs, connections in our dynamic metropolitan Toronto location and how we prepare you to be career ready through co-ops, internships, placements, global experiences and more exceptional student experiences. If you'd like to sign-up, click HERE!

EducationUSA Common Application Online Information Sessions for SD43 students is happening on Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup> 2024 at 5:00pm – 6:00pmPST. During the session, Rachel Liu, EducationUSA advisor, will walk students through the Common Application—the primary application platform for U.S. universities—and provide practical tips for completing their applications. This session is ideal for anyone planning to apply to U.S. colleges – all grades are welcome to join! If interested, click HERE to join the meeting at the scheduled time!

#### **General Learning Opportunities**

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit HERE!

**SFU Science Alive: STEM Speaker Series** provides Gr. 8-12 students with a free opportunity to learn about STEM topics and careers through the expertise of people involved in the field. These sessions happen over Zoom from 1:00pm – 2:00pm. On Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the topic is *Curiosity, Rotting Sheep Heads and a Career in Forensic Firearms Examination* where the expert has worked on the "Pickton Pig Farm" serial murders and is a Forensic Firearms and Toolmark Examiner with the RCMP. On Saturday November 30<sup>th</sup>, the topic is *Discovering the unseen Universe with gravitational waves*, where the Associate Professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at UBC will explain about the science behind gravitational waves. If you'd like to sign-up for either one, please click HERE!

Emily Carr University – Spring Break Art Camp is open for registration for any Gr. 9-12 students! They've curated a range of courses so you can explore popular studio practices in art and design through hands-on classes taught by practicing professional artists, designers and educators. With a focus on foundational skills and creative process, courses are open to students at all experience levels. The camp takes place on March 17-21 and/ or March 24-28 from 9am – 3:30pm. One week tuition fee is \$738.68 (includes GST). If interested for more info or you would like to register, click HERE!

**SFU – North American Computational Linguistics Olympiad (NACLO)** is happening on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 from 9:00am – 12:00pm at SFU's Burnaby campus! NACLO is a fun and educational contest for U.S. and Canadian high-school students in which contestants compete to solve compelling and creative puzzles in linguistics and computational linguistics. Requiring no previous knowledge of linguistics, languages, or computing, the puzzles can be solved by analytic reasoning alone, and serve as a stimulating introduction to the field of linguistics. This first round is open to all high-school students! For more info, or 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 <u>HERE</u>!

**Hyde Creek** is looking for volunteers (all high school students are welcome) to help with classes and tour training (as a guide or assistant), event planning, and day to day hatchery operations. Volunteers pick the days and times they are available to help with. For more information, click <u>HERE!</u> To sign-up, please email <a href="mailto:hcws.info@gmail.com">hcws.info@gmail.com</a>.

**Mathnasium (Tricities)** is looking to hire Math instructors/ tutors! They pay in the range of \$16 – 22 / hour and are looking for Gr. 12 students who have a passion for math and working with students. Must have exceptional math competency, interpersonal skills and an eagerness to learn and be trained. You can teach/ tutor in centre, online and/ or via hybrid delivery using the Mathnasium Method, terminology and teaching practices. For more information or to apply, click HERE or email Dr. Anoma Mudalige at tri-cities@mathnasium.ca

**11**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Ugly Christmas Sweater Dash** is looking for volunteers to help-set up or decorate their untimed 5km run/walk at Spirit Park in Anmore on December 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please click <u>HERE!</u>

#### Scholarship / Awards

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit **HERE!** 

\*NEW\* Soroptimist Awards (valued at \$1500) are due January 15<sup>th</sup> 2025. There are two scholarships available: Give her Wings award is aimed towards female immigrants or refugees who have enrolled or planning to attend a vocational/skills Training program or an undergraduate degree and the Bea Kelly Teen Volunteer Award is open for young women in Gr. 12 who have had significant and noteworthy accomplishments as volunteers. Both awards have preferences towards young women residing in the Tri-Cities in BC. If you'd like more info, or to apply, click HERE!

\*NEW\* Got a Spine Scholarship (value: \$500) is open until May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025. If you are a Canadian or US student intending to attend a US or Canadian college and university full-time by October 2025 and have achieved a GPA of 2.5 or greater during your last academic year, consider applying HERE.

\*NEW\* Dalton Camp Award (value: \$10,000) is open until January 6<sup>th</sup> 2025. If you are a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada, and is interested in writing a 2000 word original English-language works of non-fiction on the link between media and democracy, click HERE!

Schulich Leader Scholarship is open for school nominations (valued up to \$120,000 for Engineering or \$100,000 for other STEM areas due Friday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 – email nomination form to MoodyScholarshipSubmission@sd43.bc.ca. Eligible Canadian Gr. 12 students that is entrepreneurial minded intending to pursue a career in technology, engineering, entrepreneurship and business enterprise, and applied scientific research with strong academic excellence, leadership, charisma and creativity (with strong consideration given to students with financial need) please apply! Students must be intending to attend one of 20 Canadian partner universities. See HERE for more information. For school nomination forms, please check PMSS Career Centre TEAMS or HERE. Please come ask Ms. Chang if you have any questions!

Hartvikson Memorial Scholarship in Memory of Lourdes Llamzon (valued at \$4000) is open for applications until March 15<sup>th</sup> 2025! If you are a Gr 12 (Canadian or International) student who is planning on enrolling in a Canadian post-secondary sustainable agriculture and food systems program at an institution registered with the Canadian Revenue Agency, consider applying HERE!

**DB Perks & Lifesaving Society Scholarships** (valued at \$1000 x 3) is open until January 31<sup>st</sup> 2025. If you are a holder of current Lifesaving Society Awards and is actively employed by a BC & Yukon Branch affiliate as a lifeguard or Lifesaving Society instructor and is pursuing post-secondary education in the subsequent school term, consider applying <u>HERE</u>!

**Langara Dean's Excellence Scholarship** (valued at \$2500 to use at Langara College) is open for applications until January 31<sup>st</sup> 2025 at 4:00pm. If you are a Gr. 12 student who was conditionally admitted to Langara College and earned 80% GPA in Gr. 11 at a BC high school, consider applying <u>HERE</u>!

# **PARENTS**

PMSS 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Please click HERE for the 2024-2025 School Calendar

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

# **COMMUNITY**

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"A teenager from Fraser Valley is the 1st person to have contracted virus in Canada". Last Friday, November 8th, "The first presumptive human case of contracted avian flu in Canada was admitted to the hospital."

Woah, before we start panicking, it is vital to understand what this unusual virus is.

Avian Flu, also known as bird flu! Contact with sick poultry or their environment is the most common way for people to contract bird flu. However, there are fewer cases than 1,000 known reports of bird flu in humans worldwide since it was first identified in 1997! It may seem like a minor virus, but it is crucial to know sanitary procedures just in case.

It's very simple.

Avoid contact with wild birds and animals, including livestock (like cattle and goats) that may be sick or infected; this includes not touching, feeding, or handling them.

Let's stay safe in our daily lives.

Want to learn more about the avian virus case? Read this article: <u>CBC Article</u>
How does drinking from a young age have a tremendous effect on our lifetime? Check this article out.: https://bbc.com/future/article/20240228-how-alcohol-affects-teens-and-young-adults-brains





# **Holiday Camp for Youth**

Monday, Tuesday and Friday, Dec 23-27 Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri, Dec 30-Jan 3 9am-3pm Recreation Complex Activities may include:

Bowling	Extreme Air Park	Laser Tag
Ice Skating	Sports	Swimming

Visit portmoody.ca/signmeup to register NOW!

② @pomoyouth | portmoody.ca/Youth | 604.469.4556

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