

PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY: C. Pratt-Elliott, M. Atnikov, L. Lemon, G. Walker, M. Bilan, A. Beckett

NEW NEWS

<u>OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS:</u> Please remember to return your overdue library books <u>this week</u>. Those students who still have overdue books next week will receive a fine in their report cards.

HOMEROOM #5 - MEREDITH/STARR: Grade 9 students in Homeroom #5 are requested to attend a **mandatory** meeting on **Thursday, January 23**rd at 10:00 am in room 218 to discuss the G9IP.

<u>ATTENTION GRADE 9S</u>: You have a <u>mandatory</u> DL 10 Assembly on *Friday, January 24th* in the Drama Room. Homerooms 1-7 must attend from 9am to 10am and Homerooms 8-13 must attend from 10:30am to 11:30am.

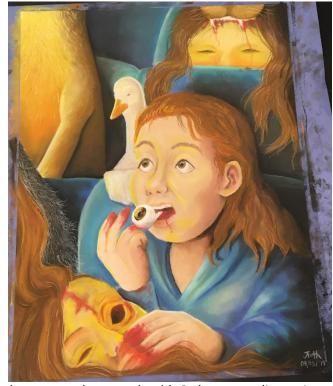
Your Social Media and Me assignment is due at 12:30 that same day. For support with this assignment or any other DL work during the week of *January 20th*, come by room 321 on *Tuesday, January 21st* from 12-2pm and *Wednesday, January 22nd* from 9-11am and/or meet us in the library after the *January 24th* assembly from 11:30 to 12:30. Any questions, please check in with Ms. Nagra, Ms. Mehai or Mr. Valente.

<u>ATTENTION JUNIOR CONCERT BAND MEMBERS:</u> There will NOT be regular before-school (Block 0) classes during the week of January 20th-24th BUT there WILL be a mass rehearsal with Moody Middle School students on *Friday, January 24th*, 9-11 am. Attendance will be recorded, so please be there!

GRADE 9 HOMEROOM 10 STUDENTS (ROOM 214 MRS. BAYLEY AND MRS. SARTE): We will not be meeting next Thursday, January 23rd. We will instead meet during flex on *Wednesday, January 29th*. See you then

<u>FEBRUAY 4th PAC MEETING AMENDMENT:</u> Please note the time of the February 4th PAC meeting has been changed to 9:30 am.

ARTIST DEVASTATED BY THEFT OF ARTWORK: A chalk pastel work which took approximately 20 hours to complete has been taken from the display board that is in the art room. This work is a vital part of this student's portfolio, has personal meaning and is needed for both the IB Art Exam and entrance applications to university. The artwork is of a young woman in a theater having a slightly grisly treat as other animals around her also eat. It is in chalk pastel. Please return to the Art room 211.



ONGOING NEWS

<u>YEARBOOK:</u> Attention all students and parents! This is your last chance to order a yearbook! Order now online or in the office. Every spring there are students who miss out and wish they would have ordered a book, but we must put our final order numbers in by *Tuesday, January 28th*, so order now!

<u>LIBRARY NEWS:</u> Semester one is almost complete. To celebrate, the Port Moody Secondary Library Learning Commons will become a study only zone before school, in flex, at lunch and after school. Please help us help you finish this semester strong.

<u>ATTENTION GRADE 9 STUDENTS:</u> Do you require assistance with your latest Digital Learning 10 assignment? Do you have questions about what you're supposed to do? Do you know how you will present your information? Are you having trouble uploading to your Edublog? If you answered YES to any of these questions, please see Ms. Nagra, Ms. Mehai, and Mr. Valente for Flex in room 321 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

OFF BLOCK STICKERS: Any students who would like an off-block sticker please come to the office during your off block with your student ID card and student schedule.

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot please come to the office at lunch to pick up a Parking Registration form.

<u>COMPASS CARDS</u>: A few Compass Cards have been found and turned in to the office. Please come to the office if you have misplaced your card. Would students please write your name on the back of your card for easy identification in case your card is misplaced.

<u>PMSS TIMES:</u> Announcements will be read over the PA at the start of Block 2 on Mondays (or Tuesdays if there's no school in session on Mondays) and Thursdays. Teachers will read announcements to their classes at the start of Block 2 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. You will find copies of the PMSS Times outside the office and it will also be posted in the Cafeteria under the clock.

CLUBS

<u>MATH COMPETITION CLUB:</u> Interested in one of the biggest math contests taken each year! The Math Competition club will be starting the Pascal (Grade 9), Cayley (Grade 10) and Fermat (Grade 11) registration on *Tuesday, January 14th and every Tuesday until February 4th* in room 220 after school. Bring \$5 and we'll see you there!

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

<u>BC HEALTH SERVICES ASSOCIATION ABORIGINAL BURSARIES</u> - HSA provides two \$1000 bursaries to Aboriginal students from BC who will enter a public post-secondary institution in an HSA-related field. More details on the App, Indigenous Education NEWS. Fillable application forms and more details are <u>online</u>. Applications and transcripts may be submitted by email and must be received **by January 22, 2020**.

REMINDER! UBC ADMISSIONS AND TRANSCRIPTS - Students who submitted their UBC online application **after December 2** must provide UBC with their Personal Education Number (PEN) and order a transcript
via <u>StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca</u> <u>by JANUARY 31</u>. When ordering a transcript, applicants should select "Send my transcript now and allow this Post-Secondary Institution to request transcript updates" and choose the default date (one year from the date of their order), so that UBC can receive their interim and final grades continuously.

2020 UBC ENGINEERING PHYSICS HIGH SCHOOL INFO SESSION AND TOUR - UBC's Engineering Physics program is one of the top engineering programs in Canada. Register for the 2020 information event on **Sunday, January 19**th for tours of labs, a talk by the Program Director, and a chance to meet students and see some of their projects. Registration for students **and no more than 2 family members:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSff8BeCU9JEy8cwLptc2KBmyxflWvlhUohOhfaxT8dNKtseLA/viewform

<u>JIBC EMERGENCY AND SECURITY MANAGEMENT INFO SESSION</u> – January 22, 7 – 8:30 pm - Learn what it takes to be a leader in preparing communities, governments & private companies for 21st century challenges at this info session for the Diploma and the Bachelor's degree programs at the JIBC New Westminster campus. More detail on the App: Post-Secondary Info channel NEWS

<u>CTA SCHOLARSHIPS IN LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE</u> – The CTA application form for all CTA scholarships listed in the package are now available in limited quantities at the Career Centre, downloaded from the Career Centre section of the school website or on the App: Scholarships channel. If you are intending to apply for the CTA Merit Award, the CTA Cam McKenzie Award, and/or a CTA Student Bursary, you must also complete and return a *CTA Application* with your Local Scholarship Form & other documents by *March 6/2020*.

<u>WESTERN UNIVERSITY NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM</u> – Apply for the National Scholarship Program if you have a Grade 12, 90% average/35 IB points, and have **ALREADY** applied for admission to Western through the OUAC. Scholarships offered in the program range from \$2,500 to \$72,000. You <u>must be nominated</u> to apply. **To be considered for nomination**, check the App: Scholarships/Bursaries Channel NEWS. **Deadline to apply for nomination**: *JANUARY 17/20*

PARENTS

For information regarding PAC, please see https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Pages

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, February 4th at 9:30 am in the Conference Room

New parents welcome.

PMSS GRAD 2020

AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEXT AFTERGRAD MEETING: Wednesday, February 5th at 7:00 pm in the Library All are welcome to come and assist with planning AfterGrad 2020.

AFTERGRAD BOTTLE AND CAN DONATIONS:

You can drop off your bottles and cans at any Return-it Depot by using the Express drop off. Just enter the school's phone number (604-939-6656) at the kiosk. Select AfterGrad 2020, then print your bag tags, stick one tag per clear bag of empties and leave in the Express bin. AfterGrad will greatly benefit from your donation and you will benefit by being rid of cans and bottles quickly and easily!

ME-n-ED'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER:

Port Moody After Grad Committee is asking for your support with our Me-n-Ed's Pizza Fundraiser. Order on the 3rd Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21st. Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam locations of Me-n-Ed's Pizza Parlors are participating.

We earn 20% from each order but you MUST mention that it is an order to support Port Moody Secondary After Grad for us to earn the 20%. Anyone can order and support this - tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support! Mark your calendars on the following dates: *February 20th, March 19th, April 16th and May 21st*.

