PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:

A. Albassam, C. Woodworth, M. Lacerna, D. Odin, C. Delancey, J. Boessenkool, M. Milliard,
Z. Aziz, S. Randhawa, G. Russell, C. Barlow, E. McLaren

NEW NEWS

LOST & FOUND: Please come to the office to claim the following:

- A pair of black-rimmed eyeglasses were found in the school this morning.
- A debit gift card was recently found in the student parking lot.
- A Starbucks gift card was recently found in the MPR at lunch.

GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATION FORMS: Grade 9 immunization forms should be returned to the office as soon as possible and no later than *Thursday, February 27th*. If you have not received your form, please come to the office to pick it up.

GRADE 12 ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thank you to all Grade 12's who voted on the theme for this year's dinner dance. This year's theme will be an Enchanted Forest!

Other important information for Gr. 12s - Make sure you complete the online form for your Commencement Gown size and comment and your Yearbook comment on or before the deadline which is this *Thursday, February 27*th!

ATTENTION GRADE 12s: Did you miss the mandatory Grade 12 assembly? Please pick up a Grad Timeline from the main office.

ATTENTION GRAD COUNCIL: We will have an important meeting **today** at lunch in room 309. We will be moving forward on decorating plans and on an exciting new Spring fundraising idea.

ATTENTION HOMEROOM 1: That's Mr. Valente and Mr. Marrello's homeroom. We have a mandatory meeting on **Wednesday, February 26**th during Flex in Mr. Valente's room. Please make sure everyone in your group attends.

<u>HOMEROOM 5 (WITH MR. MEREDITH/MS. STARR):</u> Mandatory meeting for all students in Homeroom 5 on *Thursday, February 27*th in Flex. Please bring your inquiry question to get feedback from Mr. Meredith and Ms. Starr.

<u>ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP FOR NEXT YEAR:</u> Any students wanting to take Athletic Leadership next year must turn in their reference forms to Mr. Marrello in the PE office by *Wednesday, February 26th*.

EUROPE TRIP 2021: Do you dream of sunny beaches, amazing shopping, and cobbled streets? Students going on the Europe trip in 2021 (and anyone else who wants to join!) please meet in room 207 at lunch **today**.

STARRY NIGHT DANCE: Hey Port Moody! Student Council is hosting a semi-formal dance on *Thursday, February 27*th. Buy tickets for Starry Night in the foyer at lunch. Tickets are \$3 each or 2 for \$5. Hope to see you all there!

<u>IT IS FREEDOM TO READ WEEK IN THE LIBRARY!</u> This annual Canadian event gives readers the opportunity to reaffirm their commitment to intellectual freedoms. Come to the Library to sign out a previously banned book!

TENNIS TEAM: Calling all tennis players – Registration for the Tennis team is now open! Sign up on the sign-up sheet outside of the Physics office.

BASKETBALL INTRAMURALS FINAL: Come down to the gym *today* to watch the Championship Final for Basketball Intramurals. "Give 2 Live" and "Vincent" will be going head to head. May the stronger team win!

MATH COMPETITION CLUB - FRYER/GALOIS/HYPATIA AND EUCLID MATH CONTESTS: Missed registration for Fryer/Galois/Hypatia or Euclid? The Math Competition club has extended the deadline. Come to room 220 after school on *Wednesday, February 26th* to sign up!

<u>SWISS HOTEL MANAGEMENT SCHOOL – LUNCHTIME TODAY</u> – the SHMS is the largest English-speaking Swiss post-secondary institution in the hospitality industry, with students coming from over seventy countries. Visit their information table in the MPR *today at lunchtime* for more information on their programs.

ONGOING NEWS

<u>ATTENTION GRADE 9s</u>: Did you miss the DL assembly for Assignment 4 - My Digital Portfolio? Then, you must come to room 321 on Tuesday or Thursday during Flex to find out what you missed. Note: the interview presentation schedule for this assignment is posted inside room 320.

PMSS COOKBOOK: Hi PMSS. We are two Grade 12s looking to build PMSS's very own cookbook! Want to feature a traditional family recipe? We're open to anything from appetizers to desserts. It will be available by donation with proceeds going to SHARE Society. If interested, email pmsscookbook@gmail.com with your name, recipe and a photo of the dish if possible. We're excited to see what you cook up!

INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL: Like movies? Looking for something interesting to do at lunch? Check out the International Short Film Festival on *Wednesday, February 26th* at lunch in Portable 2! Open to all International, ELL, and interested students!

<u>PHOENIX MUSIC FEST – MARCH 11th:</u> At Phoenix Music Fest this year, come and see local musicians in a night of music and awesome performances! Admission is \$5 and it comes with one raffle ticket, with an extra two if you pre-order. You could win movie tickets, a Coquitlam Centre gift card, gift baskets and more! Tickets will be sold in the MPR starting *Monday, February 24th*.

<u>INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:</u> The deadline for International students up for renewal to pay program fees for the 2020-2021 school year is **March 1, 2020**. Students are not guaranteed their place in our school after this date. Program fees can be paid in person at the International Education office at 1100 Winslow Avenue.

ATTENTION GRADE 9 STUDENTS: 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.

SPORTS

<u>DODGEBALL INTERMURALS:</u> Dodgeball intramurals sign-up is still open this week. Team sheets can be found on the bulletin board outside the gym. Sheets must be submitted to the PE office by *Friday, February 28th*. Be sure to check the gym schedule posted on the bulletin board for March to see what is happening each day.

CLUBS

<u>WORLD WILDLIFE FUND CLUB:</u> Take a step into Spring with something sweet to eat! World Wildlife Fund is hosting a Spring bake sale with pre-orders from *February 18th – 27th* in the front foyer AT LUNCH! Cupcakes are \$2, cookies are \$1 and buy two cupcakes for \$3. Don't forget to come!

<u>COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP FORCE CLUB – BAKE SALE:</u> What's up Port Moody? CLF will be selling poke bowls from Steve's Poke Bar on *Tuesday, March 3rd* for a discounted price of \$9.50 each. Make sure to pre-order in the MPR at lunch from *February 18th – 27th*, as quantities are limited the day of! Vegetarian options are available and all proceeds go to Lookout Housing Society.

GREEN TEAM CLUB – ELECTRONICS AND BATTERY RECYCLING DRIVE: Hey PMSS! The Green Team is running our annual Electronics and Recycling Drive until *Friday, March 6th*. This is the perfect opportunity to recycle your unwanted electronics and batteries. Bring them to a green box around the school or in the Library for collection.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

<u>SFU SUMMER CAMPS 2020 – VOLUNTEERING INFORMATION</u> – Looking for a unique volunteer opportunity this summer? Volunteering at SFU Camps is a great first step towards the employment world, offering practical experience in a fun and welcoming environment. Learn more about this opportunity at the Information Table hosted by SFU CAMPS, *February 27 at lunchtime in the foyer*.

<u>UBC ENGINEERING EVENTS FOR GIRLS</u> - UBC Engineering exploration programs encourages young women to explore engineering as a career option. Choose from a list of events beginning February 1 and extending to April 17. More details and how to apply on the App's Career Centre/Opportunities Channel, or on the Career Centre/Opportunities section of the school website.

<u>SFU SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS</u> – SFU is recruiting **350+** student volunteers to help run their children's summer camps from June 29 – September 4. Positions are available for students who will be 14 years old by June 29/20 (required commitment: 2 full weeks of volunteering). More details on the App: Volunteering Channel. **DEADLINE: APRIL 26/20.**

<u>AVAILABLE</u> – Students intending to apply for this 'External Scholarship' (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) can now download an application form from the App, **SCHOLARSHIP CHANNEL** or the Career Centre on the school website. Criteria: service to others in the community, need for financial support, planning to attend post-secondary after graduation. **Deadline:** submit applications to the Career Centre by **April 30/20**.

<u>LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS PACKAGE, EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS:</u> Pacific Coast Terminals – PCT and K + S Potash has now launched this year's scholarship program: four scholarships of \$1,500 each to students enrolled in either Port Moody, Heritage Woods, or Gleneagle Secondary Schools. Details and the application form on the App: Scholarships Channel, or visit the school website/Career Centre/Scholarships. **DEADLINE TO APPLY:** *April 7/20*

<u>BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS</u> – 25 President's Entrance Awards valued at \$4,000 are offered **ONLY** to graduating high school students entering programs between *April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021*. More than 125 additional BCIT Entrance Awards are also available, at \$6,000 each. Award package at www.bcit.ca/finaid

<u>PARENTS</u>

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

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00 pm in the Library New parents welcome.

PMSS GRAD 2020

AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEXT AFTERGRAD MEETING: Wednesday, March 11th at 7:00 pm in the Library All are welcome to come and assist with planning AfterGrad 2020.

PMSS 2020 AFTERGRAD FUNDRAISER:

BLACK & LEE

Grad suit and tuxedo rental is coming to our school on Thursday, March 5 from 3 to 7pm in the Multipurpose Entranceway

- Black and Lee is bringing their store to you!
- For more info, contact Brenda Stewart at brendawithtwins@telus.net
- 50% deposit due at booking
- Debit and credit cards accepted





What to Expect At Your In-School Fitting

1. The Pre-Game (Before Your Fitting)

It's never a bad idea to come prepared! Our rental and retail collection is available online. We always suggest having a quick look online to get an idea about what sort of look you're after. The following options will be available at your school's fitting: https://blackandlee.com

- *Rental Packages* include everything your Grad will need for the big day. Coat, pant, shirt, vest, neckwear, jewelry, dress socks, pocketsquare, dress shoes. You can't beat the convenience and value of a rental! *From* \$99.
- Suit Packages (retail) have been created with Grads in mind. Suit Packages include coat, pant, shirt and tie. Everything is new and for your Grad to keep! From \$299.
- **Custom Suit Service** is available for Grads with a specific look in mind. Your Grad selects fabric, colour and style and we'll create his suit just for him! *From* \$399.

#2. Your Fitting Event

On the day of your fitting event, we're loading up our showroom and bringing it to you. We'll be there with our full display of tuxedos and suits, catalogs, price lists, measuring tapes, formal wear style tips and anything else we might need to make your Grad fitting a memorable event. Grads and parents are welcome to pop in at any point during the scheduled time. While a fitting is generally a relatively quick process, we still recommend planning to be with us for around 20-30 minutes. Some other important points to mention:

- Try-on pieces for sizing will be available.
- No obligation to book; everyone is welcome to browse.
- In order to secure your tuxedo or suit for your event date, a 50% deposit is required at time of fitting. Point of Sale terminal available for deposit payment (accepted methods of payment: cash, debit, Visa, Mastercard or American Express).

#3. Final Fitting

There are two options for final fittings:

• Two days prior to Grad, we will drop tuxedos and suits off at your school to be distributed by your school's administration.

Or

• Two days prior to Grad, the student may pick up and try on their suit or tuxedo at your nearest Black & Lee retail store (please specify ahead of time if you would like to pick up at a store).

Peace of Mind:

We are a locally-based company. If something doesn't fit quite right, don't panic! We can remedy most issues quickly and easily. Please let us know as soon as you suspect a discrepancy.

#4. Post Celebration 🏂

Send your rental suit or tuxedo back to school with your Grad and we'll take it from there (no dry cleaning necessary).

Leave the suit hanging, not us. Let us know how it went by tagging us in your photos!

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 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: March 19th, April 16th and May 21st.