



# Port Moody Times

Tuesday  
September 19, 2023  
Day 2

## PMSS – OPEN HOUSE

On **Thursday September 21<sup>st</sup> between 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm** PMSS will be having an open house for parents. This is an opportunity for parents to tour the school and visit the classrooms that their students visit every day. This is not an individual parent teacher interview but an opportunity to visit the classroom and receive a general overview of the subject area. There is no schedule as it is an open house, and we understand families may come to the school at different times during the scheduled time. We encourage all parents to try and find the time to visit this evening and to explore the school and meet school staff.

## GR. 12 OFF-BLOCK STICKERS

Gr. 12 students who need an off-block sticker can pick them up Wednesday and Thursday at lunch in the MPR. Please bring your Go-Card and a copy of your schedule.

## LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS NEWS

Hours: 8:30-4:00 most days

New website for the Virtual Library Learning Commons

[PMSS Virtual Library Learning Commons - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

Use this new website to access the library catalogue and digital resource collection, watch tutorial videos, get a head start on a topic with a pathfinder, and learn about the services we offer.

Print Request - service discontinued

The online print request service we began at the outset of the Covid-19 pandemic is now discontinued.

Mobile phone charging cabinet

We now have an eight slot self-service phone charging cabinet in the Library Learning Commons. Students may come into the LLC and securely lock their phone in the cabinet with a user generated passcode. We are no longer loaning phone chargers.

New Library Learning Commons Staff

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Kukulowicz on board as our second teacher-librarian. Ms. Kukulowicz works in the LLC during block 4 this semester.

## Terry Fox Fundraising – Block 2

Hi Port Moody, thanks to all who have been able to donate, to date we've raised \$1,325! We will continue collecting donations in block 2 this week leading up to our annual assembly and school run on Thursday September 21<sup>st</sup>. Lets continue fundraising for Terry Fox's dream, a world without cancer. Remember the class with the most donations will be awarded a pizza lunch! Visit [Port Moody Secondary - Port Moody, BC | Terry Fox School Run](#) if you wish to donate online and make this our biggest year yet!

## FALL PLAY INFORMATION

Lots of Theatre already starting at the school, including rehearsal for our two spring musicals, but if you are interested in being part of the fall play that showcases at our district drama festival METFEST, please come to an information session Tuesday (Sept 19) after school (3:15pm) in the Drama room. All students, cast and crew, are invited - no experience needed!

## ONGOING

**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.

**PMSS TIMES:** The PMSS Times newsletter will be emailed to parents and students 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

**Room: 3066.** Open from 8:00am – 3:30pm Monday-Friday.

If you have any questions or to book an appointment, please feel free to email Ms. Rose at [jorose@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:jorose@sd43.bc.ca) or call 604-939-6656 ext. 3066. **Join the Port Moody Secondary Career center TEAMS page! Code to join: 46n1w80 or e-mail Ms. Rose**

## Virtual / In-person Information Sessions, Presentations & University / College Fairs

Post-Secondary Info Session Scheduled Visit , [2023-2024 Post-Secondary Info Session Schedule.docx](#)

University of Fraser Valley Info Session – September 25<sup>th</sup> 10:50am – 11:40am in the drama room.

Students can meet in-person with colleges and universities in Vancouver on September 28th! Attend [Study and Go Abroad / SchoolFinder Fair](#) on **Thursday, September 28th** at the **Vancouver Convention Centre**. Students will have the chance to explore their academic options, chat directly with representatives from top schools, gather information about programs, and more. **WHEN: Thursday, September 28, 2023** Fair: 2pm - 6pm PT Seminars: 1pm - 6pm PT. **WHERE: Vancouver Convention Centre at Canada Place, East Ballroom.** To register, visit, [Event Registration - Study and Go Abroad / SchoolFinder Fairs](#)

Students are invited to join the largest [UK University Fair](#) in Canada, designed for students looking to study in the UK. They are pleased to announce their first [Vancouver UK University Fair](#) taking place on **Wednesday, September 27th** at the Harbour Centre (Simon Fraser Campus) from **4 - 8 pm PT** with 40+ UK universities in attendance! The students will have the opportunity to **meet top-ranked UK universities** such as the University of Birmingham, Edinburgh, Exeter, Southampton, Leicester, Leeds, Manchester, Sussex, Warwick, St Andrews, Queen's University Belfast, UCL and many more! Visit, [UK University Fair \(studyin-uk.ca\)](#) to register.

**Join this year for BC's largest hands-on trade event for youth. Trades Expo** brings together employers, training providers, and the trades all under one roof. Trades Expo's provide youth with an opportunity to explore the Trades. There are hands on opportunities, there are employers looking to hire graduates and there are training providers looking to register youth for training programs. Tradespeople are ready to answer questions and engage with youth. When: **October 18-19, 2023.** To register and for more information visit, [Trades Expo 2023 - Event Registration Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

**ECF Education & Career Fairs.** The annual Education & Career Fairs provide an opportunity for high school students to connect with representatives from universities, colleges, and skilled trades learning institutions, and employers from across Canada. More than just a trade show, ECF creates opportunities for individuals or organizations to chat, ask questions and learn together. **All their fairs are completely free to attend!** . You can expect to see a medley of professionals and post-secondary representatives in attendance who can help you take the first steps in entering the workforce and/or assisting your students in their pursuit of higher education. For more information visit, [ECF 2023 \(educationcareerfairs.com\)](#).

## General Learning Opportunities

**22+ TRADES TRAINING PROGRAMS,** Visit ["TRAIN in Trades" Programs - School District No. 43 \(Coquitlam\) \(sd43.bc.ca\)](#)  
**Contact: Ben King** Career & "TRAIN in Trades" Coordinator 778-984-1354 [bking@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:bking@sd43.bc.ca)

**Society of Canadian Women in Science and Technology (SCWIST).** SCWIST is an advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in schools, universities, businesses and Canadian society, and supports efforts to promote equality for all, especially within science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Applications for their [eMentoring program](#) are now **open**. eMentoring runs three times a year. The program is available for any students who identify as female or women, girls, trans, genderqueer, non-binary, two-spirit, and gender questioning. Sign up for eMentoring and they can put you in touch with a professional woman who is closely matched to your own interests or understands your situation. To apply, [eMentoring Application - SCWIST](#)

## **Empowered Black Girl Internship Program July 31<sup>st</sup> – September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

The Empowered Black Girl Internship Program is designed to provide high school students grades 10 - 12 who identify as black girls with an opportunity to gain hands-on experience in various fields, with a keen focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields and entrepreneurship. This program will provide an opportunity to develop new skills, build confidence, and establish a network of mentors and professionals who can guide and support them as they navigate their career paths. The program will also help students to develop leadership skills and learn how to advocate for themselves and their communities.

**See flyers for more details,** [Empowered Black Girl -internship-flyer.pdf \(sd43.bc.ca\)](#)

## Volunteer/Employment Opportunities


### **\*NEW\* XDHACKS MINI VANCOUVER – EXECUTIVE TEAM (VOLUNTEER)**

XdHacks Mini is a global youth-led non-profit organization that hosts hackathons for high school students. Their previous events include various hackathons both in-person (ex. hosted at the University of British Columbia) and virtually (ex. Climate Code 2021 featuring over 230 participants from 10+ countries). Most recently, XdHacks Mini organized Hackamental 2023, where experienced professionals from companies like Amazon, Microsoft, the Government of Canada, and Fortinet inspired participants through presentations, workshops, and judging. Currently, XdHacks Mini is

actively recruiting dedicated high school students from the Lower Mainland to become part of the next phase of XdHacks Mini Vancouver. Joining XdHacks Mini Vancouver offers an opportunity for students to contribute to a rewarding endeavour. In 2023-2024, XdHacks Mini plans to introduce an in-person summer hackathon.

(<https://forms.gle/xZgVdvKa7AZxYsw79>)

**Port Coquitlam Recreation** is excited to be offering a number of volunteer opportunities for people 14+ years of age beginning this Fall, including afterschool programs, skate and swim lessons, art programs, a youth leadership group, and community events. This is a great opportunity for anyone looking to build their resumes, develop their leadership skills and connect with their community. Applications are now available on our website

at [www.portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer](http://www.portcoquitlam.ca/volunteer). See flyers for more details,  [Fall 2023 Youth Flyer.docx](#)

 [Reading Buddies Teen Poster Fall 2023.docx](#)

The **Port Moody Public Library** is looking for teen volunteers for their Book Buddies and Code Buddies programs (in-person and online). You can get experience, leadership skills, and volunteer hours working with kids. Apply to become a teen volunteer at [Teen Volunteer Programs - Port Moody Public Library \(portmoodylibrary.ca\)](http://Teen Volunteer Programs - Port Moody Public Library (portmoodylibrary.ca)).

**Seaview Community School and Miller Community School** are looking for volunteers to help with their afterschool programs. **Program Details:** The afterschool programs provide students with a variety of games and activities including Arts & Crafts, Lego & Board Games, Outdoor Games (weather permitting), homework help and much more! **Position:** Looking for volunteers to play, to hang out with the kids, play board games, do crafts, help supervise and cleanup. **Location:** Seaview Times: 2:45/3 pm – 5:00 pm; Monday – Friday (You can volunteer for 1 hour or 2 hours). Miller Park

Times: 2:45 – 4:45 pm; Monday – Friday (You can volunteer for 1 hour or 2 hours). If you are interested, please email Ms. Neelofar Nurani at [nnurani@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:nnurani@sd43.bc.ca)

**Youth Leadership Millennium (YLM)** program hosted by non-profit S.U.C.C.E.S.S., which is one of the largest charitable organizations in British Columbia providing services in settlement, language training, employment, family and youth services, and community development. YLM program provides youth aged 15-30 with opportunities to develop leadership skills, engage with their community, and build confidence. It is a free 8- month long leadership program. YLM offers certificate, 120 service hours, training certificates, reference letters and more. To register and for more information visit, <https://successbc.ca/forms/career-and-youth-services-group-registration-form/>

**The Youth Development Instrument (YDI)** is a youth health and well-being survey for Grade 11 students in BC. They need passionate youth (aged 15-18 years) to join their Youth Advisory Council (YAC) as YDI Ambassadors. YDI Ambassadors discuss and provide feedback on all aspects of the YDI study to ensure the project is relevant for youth. YAC meetings are held by video call 6 times a year.

Ambassadors undertake their roles as volunteers but will receive a small honorarium to support time spent on YAC activities. To apply and for more information visit, [https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9ymN8zw0uPoU45w](https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9ymN8zw0uPoU45w)

## Scholarship / Awards

 [List of Scholarships, Awards, Bursaries .docx](#)

**Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarships** - For grade 11 students with Financial need. 160 \$5,000 Scholarships Awarded Funded through the generosity of the members of the Canadian Association. The Canadian Scholarships are awarded to eligible students across all provinces and territories in Canada. For more details visit, [Canadian Scholarships - Horatio Alger Association Canada](#). The application opens December 1, 2023.

**Ted Rogers Legacy Scholarship** - Valued at \$25,000 per year (up to four years) and awarded to 10 recipients annually for students attending a technology-focused program to cover full tuition at a partner university, living expenses, and other costs. For more information and to apply visit, [Ted Rogers Scholarships - About Rogers](#). Application with all supporting documentation must be submitted to SPC no later than the application deadline of **1:00 PM EST, September 20, 2023**.

**LORAN Scholars Foundation Character Service Leadership** – Valued at **more than \$100,000**, the **Loran Award** includes study at one of their 25 partner universities, summer work experiences, mentorship, and a community of supporters and alumni working towards a better country and world. They select up to 36 promising young Canadians as Loran Scholars, based on evidence of integrity, courage, compassion, grit, and a high level of personal autonomy. For more information and to apply visit, [Becoming a Scholar | Loran Scholars Foundation - Fondation Boursiers Loran](#). Deadline for all applications will be **October 11, 2023, before 8:00PM (Eastern Time)**.

**Basant Motors** are presenting a \$32,000 Scholarship Community Pride. The scholarship award goes to graduating seniors furthering their education at a post-secondary institution. Each student selected will receive a one-time \$2,000 scholarship. 16 scholarships will be awarded for a total of \$32,000. Visit [2023 Basant Scholarship poster.docx](#) for more information.

**BCIT** is pleased to announce that the following Entrance Awards are available to students who are planning to attend our institute starting *May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024*.

- Over 100 additional BCIT Entrance Awards

\*Some valued up to \$18,000 each. \* **Deadlines: October 1, 2023**

# PARENTS

**PMSS 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Please click [HERE](#) for the 2023-2024 School Calendar

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

**FIRST PAC MEETING: Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm**

We would like to welcome and thank the following parents for joining the PAC for the upcoming 2023/2024 school year. Congrats to:

**Alicia Purvis: PAC Chair**

**Grace Liang: Vice Chair**

**Miwa Aoki : Secretary**

**Fanny Feng: Treasurer**

**DPAC Rep: OPEN**

AfterGrad Chair: OPEN

AfterGrad Secretary: OPEN

AfterGrad Treasurer: OPEN

# COMMUNITY



## Youth Fall Programs



Programs begin the week of September 18

Pomo Chefs  
Beginner &  
Intermediate

Basketball

Standard First Aid  
and CPR-C/AED  
Workshop

## Pro-D Day Programs

Mountain Biking

Babysitter's Training

## RAD Nights - Out-trip


For ages  
11-15  
years

Rock Climbing

Saturday, Oct 14

5-9pm

Visit [portmoody.ca/signmeup](https://portmoody.ca/signmeup) to register

 @pomoyouth | [portmoody.ca/Youth](https://portmoody.ca/Youth) | 604.469.4556

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