



# Port Moody Times

Friday  
September 6, 2019  
Day 1

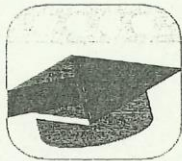
PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:

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## NEW NEWS

SCHOOL APP FOR 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR:

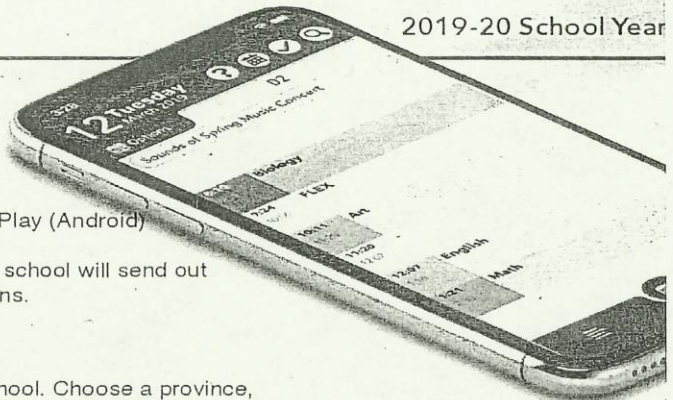
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## My School Day

### Quick Introduction

2019-20 School Year



#### 1. Download the app

On your phone or tablet, go to the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android) and search for "My School Day". Install it - *it's free!* Make sure to allow it to receive notifications when asked - the school will send out important reminders, information and alerts through notifications.

#### 2. Select Your School

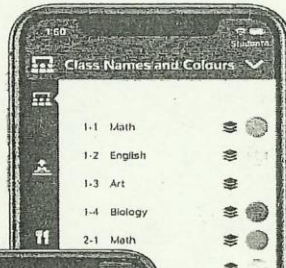
The first time you start the app you will need to select your school. Choose a province, school district, and finally your school from the lists provided, and tap "confirm". *This only needs to be done once.*

#### 3. Enter your classes

Tap on the gear icon in the bottom right corner.



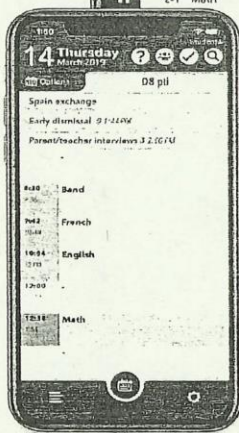
Enter your class names and select colours. You can also enter morning, lunch, and after school activities.



#### 4. See your schedule.

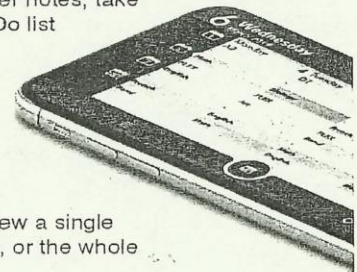
The calendar view shows school events at the top and your classes below.

Swipe left and right to move through the days. Tap the date to go back to today. Tapping on the "Options" button will let you select a specific date to view.



- Tap on a class to enter notes, take photos, and add To-Do list items for that class.

- To see a week or month at a time, turn the phone sideways.

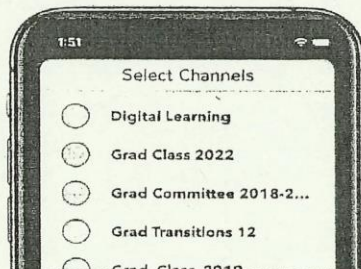


Once there, you can view a single day, 5- or 7-day weeks, or the whole month.

#### 5. Browse the menu.

Tap the menu icon to get access to news, notification history, links, and more.

Tap "Select Channels" to find courses and activities you can subscribe to for notifications, news and calendar events.



#### For Parents too!

Subscribe to the same channels as your student and get all the same notifications as they do.

If you have multiple students, add extra profiles for the same or different schools during setup, or afterwards: Hold on one of the four shortcut buttons at the top right, and select "Student" as the action. From then on, tapping that button will let you add and switch between student profiles.

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**STUDENT CALL TO THE OFFICE:**

- Would the student who has locker #679 please come to the office ASAP.
- Would **Andy Moon** please come to the office.

**COMPASS CARDS:** 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.

**PARENT FORMS ONLINE:**

Yesterday, schools had the district managed online student forms uploaded to KEV School Cash Online. Coincidentally, our fibre cable was cut Wednesday afternoon during some city work thereby impacting our school network all day yesterday. Our data did not get uploaded to KEV.

We are working to have that completed as soon as possible today. Please check back this evening or weekend. Thank very much for your patience and for so promptly returning the paper Emergency Release Form and Data Verification Form.

Once properly loaded, all forms can be accessed via our webpage at [Parents > Forms](#)

**REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RELEASE FORM:**

Online instructions under the required section state: Print and return to your school. This document is the same as the golden rod paper form we sent home Tuesday. If you have already returned it you do not have to do the online pdf version.

**MESSAGE FROM THE COUNSELLORS:** All course correction requests must be made through the school's main webpage. Look for the button in the "Quick Links" section of the website. ***The form will be active only until 3pm today.*** The Counselling area will be closed to students today, as we are working to complete the requests already submitted. Counsellors will not be meeting face-to-face with students to complete this process. Counsellors will contact individual students when changes have been completed, so please check your email. Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes, as the counsellors may not be able to fulfill all requests.

**WELCOME BACK LETTERS:**

Minister of Education Rob Fleming wishes all students and their families all the best for the year ahead. Read more [here](#). SD43 Superintendent of Schools Patricia Gartland welcomes all students back to school. Read more [here](#).

**VACCINATION STATUS REPORTING REGULATION:**

Government has approved the Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation requiring parents or guardians to report the vaccination status of their school-age children. This regulation comes into force on July 1 and public health units will begin implementation of the regulation in September of 2019. Read more [here](#).

**VAPING PRODUCTS INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES:**

Superintendent Patricia Gartland's letter to parents about vaping products and cannabis may be found [here](#).

The use of vaping products by youth is becoming increasingly common. There are some misconceptions about the aerosol (vapour or cloud) produced, and currently the long-term health effects are unknown. As caregivers, you can connect and discuss issues around vaping products with your child. Read more [here](#).

**PMSS TIMES:** 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.

**OFF BLOCK STICKER:** Stickers will be given out when Student ID cards arrive.

**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.

**DIGITAL LEARNING 10:** All Digital Learning 10 students are required to subscribe to the Digital Learning 10 Channel on the My School Day app as soon as possible.

**MUSIC:** Hello, music students!

- Jazz Bands meets **today** at lunch time (Block 3) in the Band Room
- Junior Concert Band meets this **Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** in block 0 (7:20 am) in the Band Room

### **MUSIC COURSES SCHEDULE:**

- Concert Band 9/10: Monday, Wednesday 7:20-8:20 am
- Concert Band 11/12: Tuesday 7-9 pm, Thursday Block 6 (3:10-4:25 pm)
- Junior Jazz Band: Tuesday, Thursday and alternate Fridays Block 3 (lunch time)
- Senior Jazz Band: Monday, Wednesday and alternate Fridays Block 3 (lunch time)  
(Note to all Jazz students: until Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, all students attend Monday, Wednesday and Friday at lunch time)
- Choir: Tuesday, Thursday Block 3 (lunch time), Friday Block 0 (7:20-8:20 am)
- Strings: Tuesday 4-6 pm, Thursday Block 6 (3:10-4:25 pm) in the Drama Room)
- Guitar: Block 2

As you might have noticed, music courses are NOT on the Day 1-Day 2 system.

Please note: Lunch time classes allow students to leave their Block 2 classes ten minutes before Block 2 ends in order to eat lunch (Monday 10:39 am and Tuesday-Friday 11:25 am).

Class schedules are posted to the left of the Band Room entrance.

**SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL:** Senior Boys volleyball tryouts will be held **today** at 3:30 in the Main Gym.

**CLUB LEADERS:** Anyone interested in leading a club this year needs to come to room 214 at lunch on **Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**. You don't need to bring anything to the meeting except your ideas.

## **CAREER CENTRE NEWS**

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

## **PARENTS**

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

**FIRST PAC MEETING: Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Library**

New parents welcome.