



Port Moody Times

Wednesday
September 18, 2019
Day 1

**PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:
D. Rabbai, A. Pughe, N. Labranche, R. Stewart, E. Ganacheva, M. Cristiano**

NEW NEWS

FOUND:

- A debit card was found on Tuesday, September 17th. If you've misplaced your debit card please come to the office to claim.
- A key ring with two keys (one colored) was found in the student parking lot this morning. Please come to the office to claim.

STUDENT ID CARDS: Student ID cards are available at the office during lunch or after school.

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.

THIS MESSAGE IS POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AND APP (ORIGINALLY SENT ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH):

Good afternoon parents and guardians,

Next **Thursday, September 19th** is **Meet the Teacher** night at Port Moody Secondary. The evening is a chance for us to come together, get to know one another, and to learn about some of the norms and rhythms of a large diverse school such as ours. The tone of the evening is very much like an open house, and the chance to meet formally with teachers for one to one interviews is scheduled later in the semester on November 21st.

Shape of the Evening:

- Opening remarks with our administration and counselling team at 6:30pm in the multi purpose area.
- From 7:00 to 8:00pm parents are encouraged to get familiar with the building, learn about some of our program offerings and introduce yourselves to the wonderful teachers and staff.
- Mr. Lenihan will host an IB presentation for grade 9 IB parents from 7 - 7:30 pm (Drama room).
- Ms. Campbell will host a grade 12 parent meeting to outline some key points and dates for the year ahead. The session is from 7:30 - 8:00pm (Main Gym)

Student greeters will also be stationed throughout the building to assist families with questions and in making your way around the school.

We recognize as a family you have extracurricular commitments, and possibly other schools to visit on this evening, so please come whenever is convenient to you in the 6:30 to 8:00pm time period.

Finally, the link below is for you to submit questions to us in advance, so that we have the opportunity to address them during the opening presentation and in the grade 9 IB presentation. If you have questions or comments to share, please complete the online form here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkSxTrDsz8255CIMKktT7eFOhUOUVYNUVNMzZGWDRKM09PSFFLRUZPSzhMNi4u>

On behalf of the entire staff, we look forward to seeing you next week.

Regards,

Glen Conley
Principal

ATTENTION GRADE 12'S AND 11'S: The Senior Sail is coming up! Join your fellow Grade 11 and 12 classmates at the Harbour Cruise Dinner and Dance, **Friday, October 4, 2019**. Ticket price includes a 3 hour harbour cruise around beautiful Vancouver with a pasta dinner, dessert, bottomless soft drinks followed by dancing.

Parents and guardians are asked to make arrangements to have their child dropped off and picked up at the Harbour Cruise docks, 501 Denman Street, Vancouver. Please arrive between 6:45 and 7:05 pm, the boat loads at 7:15 pm, all students will go through Harbour Cruises Security Screening. The boat departs at 8:00 pm and returns at 11:00 pm. Students are required to bring picture ID (PMSS student ID or Driver's License to gain entry) along with their receipt of payment.

There is a coat-check on board at no cost – however there is very little room. Only bring what is absolutely necessary, no big bags/purses.

Reserve your space on the boat now! Tickets are limited to 335! **Sales run from September 11 – 25 for Grade 12 students, September 17 – 25 for Grade 11 students** starting at 10 am. Tentative guest approval forms are available at the office and may only be approved IF there are extra tickets available.

Thank you for respecting our PMSS school expectations and Code of Conduct as well as demonstrating social responsible behaviour during the duration of the cruise and while travelling to and from the dock.

If you have any questions please contact Vice Principal Sharon Starr, sstarr@sd43.bc.ca.

GRADE 12 CLC STUDENTS: Would all Grade 12 CLC students meet this **Thursday, September 19th** during Flex:

Mr. Straumford – Small Gym
Mr. Bolognaise – Rm 316
Mr. Luniw – Rm 304

Ms. Sinclair/Carruthers – Drama Room
Mr. Marrello – Rm 323

GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY: All girls interested in play field hockey this year, meet **today** at lunch in the small gym.

SKI AND SNOWBOARD: Anyone interested in joining the ski and snowboard team this year, there will be a short meeting on **Thursday, September 19th** at lunch in room 217.

DIGITAL ARTS OPPORTUNITY: University of the Fraser Valley is hosting a Digital Arts Meeting, which is a free event for young Artists and Designers interested in Digital Arts. DADA aims to inspire and connect you with professionals in film, TV, gaming, and maker spaces and beyond! See the website: <http://events.ufv.ca/events/dada-02-digital-arts-meeting/> for a list of presenters. The meeting will be held at The University of the Fraser Valley: 33844 King Rd., Abbotsford on Tuesday, September 24th between 6 to 9pm (with a reception starting at 5pm) at in Room B101.

ONGOING NEWS

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION: Please see our school website under Programs & Services, Aboriginal Education, with respect to Aboriginal Self Identification. Ensuring students and families self identify as having ancestry allows us to better address the diverse needs of all our Aboriginal students. Coquitlam School District 43 is committed to the academic success, cultural connection and socio-emotional development of all Aboriginal Learners. We have one of the highest Aboriginal graduation rates in the Province and are very proud of the work of all our educators and the Aboriginal Education Department. We wish to continue this excellent work and improve even more. As such, self-identification is important.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FIELD TRIP: International Students- don't forget to submit your forms for our Rocky Point Picnic coming up on **Tuesday, September 24th**! Forms must be submitted to Ms. Woldring in Portable 2 by **Thursday, September 19th**. Didn't get a form? Pick one up in Portable 2!

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS MEETING: Would all international students please attend an important meeting at lunch on **Thursday, September 19th** in the drama room. Don't forget to bring your field trip form!

EUROPE 2021: Did you know: Monaco is the second smallest and also the most densely populated city in the world? Check it out on the Europe trip in 2021. Information meeting **Wednesday, September 25th** at lunch in room 207.

TERRY FOR RUN: Our Annual Terry Fox is coming up on **Friday, September 27th**. For the next two weeks we are collecting donations in block 2 to support cancer research. Each student is encouraged to donate at least a toonie to help us reach our school goal! Your generosity can make a huge difference! A pizza lunch will be awarded to the block 2 class that raises the most money! Donations can also be made online through the link on our school website.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY: On **Monday, September 30th**, raise awareness for survivors of Residential Schools and to remember those who did not make it home! **WEAR ORANGE!!!** Interested in purchasing a shirt? Shirts are available for purchase (\$6 for sizes S-XL and \$8 for sizes XXL-XXXXL) through cash online. Purchases must be made by **noon on Thursday, September 19th**.

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.

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.

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.

SPORTS

JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY: Any Junior Boys interested in playing rugby this fall, please see Mr. Fraser in room 310 on **Thursday, September 19th** at lunch for a brief meeting.

ALL STUDENT ATHLETES: Please add the new ATHLETICS channel on the school app for all the latest and updated information with athletics.

CLUBS

CLUB APPLICATIONS: Club applications are due in the main office by 3:15 on **Thursday, September 19th**. If you have any questions or need help preparing your application, please see Mr. Taylor.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

VANCOUVER LAW SCHOOL FAIR 2019: Is a joint project organized by the University of Alberta, University of Calgary, and University of British Columbia. It is open to all ages, including high school students and their parents. Present at the event will be representatives from over 30 North American schools. Interested students are able to find more information and register at www.vanlawfair.com<<http://www.vanlawfair.com>>.

Vancouver Law School Fair 2019

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019

Location: Four Seasons Hotel Vancouver

Time: 1PM - 6PM

Register at www.vanlawfair.com<<http://www.vanlawfair.com>>.

BC RCMP NOW RECRUITING MEMBERS OF YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE! - The BC RCMP Youth Advisory Committee will bring up to **30 youth** together in an online, social media-based committee to provide guidance to the RCMP from October to June 2020. Applications due **Sept. 20/19**; details on the App: **CAREER CENTRE-VOLUNTEERING** channel.

LESTER B. PEARSON INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS -UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO - Offered to **International Students ONLY**, the [Lester B. Pearson International Student Scholarship](#) is a FULL RIDE SCHOLARSHIP for 4 years at the U of T. You must be nominated to apply; details on the App/Career Centre/FINANCIAL AID + SCHOLARSHIPS Channel. Deadline to submit Nomination application to Ms Campbell or Ms Truax: **November 4/19**

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY QuARMS PROGRAM NOMINATION – BIG CHANGES THIS YEAR! – Students who were thinking of applying for a PMSS nomination for the QuARMS medical program should check the announcement on the App and school website: Career Centre – Post Secondary Info!

2019 MOREHEAD CAIN SCHOLARSHIP – The Morehead-Cain is a four-year merit scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The scholarship provides full tuition for all 4 years, all student fees, housing & meals, books & laptop, and a 4-year Summer Enrichment program. Students apply by school nomination: 3 permitted. More details on the App: **Scholarships Channel NEWS**, and the school website: **Career Centre/Financial Aid & Scholarships**. **Deadline to apply for sponsorship: MONDAY SEPT. 30, 3pm.**

THE LORAN AWARDS PROGRAM offers up to **36** awards valued at up to **\$100,000 for 4 years**, including a \$10,000 yearly stipend and access to funding, mentorship and annual forums. Students may apply directly for the award **or** as one of PMSS's **3 sponsored candidates**. Details on the App: **Career Centre: Scholarships NEWS channel**, & the school website: **Career Centre: Financial Aid & Scholarships**. Deadline to apply for school sponsorship: Oct. 3/3 pm.

PARENTS

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

FIRST PAC MEETING: Tuesday, October 1st at 7:00 pm in the Library

New parents welcome.