



Port Moody Times

Wednesday
December 4, 2019
Day 2

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

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NEW NEWS

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT – GRADE 11 AND 12's:

Grade 11 and 12's - You must write the Numeracy Assessment to graduate. Many of you wrote it in Grade 10. If you're not sure, check by logging into your [BCeID](#) (If you need to register for a BCeID, go [here](#)). The next opportunity to write is in January 2020.

Grade 12's - This is particularly important. You will not graduate until you complete the exam **and there is no opportunity to write it in June 2020.**

If you have not written the assessment, or would like to rewrite, please come and register in the office by the end of **today**.

If you have any questions **after checking your BCeID**, please see Mr. Taylor.

ATTENTION GRADE 12s: All Grade 12s will need to attend an IMPORTANT FLEX meeting on **Friday, December 6th** in the SMALL GYM. At this time, we will be distributing the Transcript Verification documents. You will need to take these packages home and review them with your parents. The purpose of this process is for you to identify any errors or omissions on your transcript documents. As well, those students who are missing graduation requirements, will find out what they are missing. You will return the package with corrections indicated to your Block 2 teacher on **Monday, December 9th**. Please note that we require a parent and student signature to complete this process. Any student concerned about graduating, should see their counsellor.

GRAD CLASS 2020: Attention all Grads! Did you miss out on ordering a grad hoodie? We've re-opened the store until **Friday, December 20th**. See the Port Moody store at www.getbold.com/stores/pmss to order and pay. Want to try on for sizing? See Ms. Starr to do so.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: Deadlines for our yearbook are fast approaching. If you are interested in helping out with the yearbook, please come down and see Mr. Watts in room 201 this **Thursday, December 5th** at lunch.

LIBRARY - NEW BOOKS: The Library has lots of NEW BOOKS to checkout, take home and enjoy. We have David Yoon's new novel, "Frankly in Love". We have Stephen Chobosky's "Imaginary Friend", Michael Christie's "Greenwood" and Joelle Charbonneau's new dystopia "Verify". For the non fiction fans we have Ziya Tong's "The Reality Bubble" and Jean Teillet's History of the Metis Nation "The North-West is our Mother".

PHOENIX TIMES CLUB: Very important Phoenix Times meeting for all members and potential new members **today** at lunch in room 217.

SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB: Anyone interested in joining the Ski & Snowboard team??? We will be having a meeting on **Friday, December 6th** at lunch in room 217.

KIDSPORT CLUB – EQUIPMENT DRIVE: KidSport is holding a sports equipment drive which helps provide equipment and grants to kids so they can play a season of sport. If you have any used fair to good quality equipment at home just rusting away, please donate it in the yellow box in front of the school! Only until **Friday, December 20th**.

SHARING CIRCLE CLUB: Do you have problems you want to talk about? Do you need advice? Or do you just like to talk in general? Well then come on down to Sharing Circle. We meet **today** at lunch in room 214. Every Wednesday we talk about anything and everything!

ONGOING NEWS

SENIOR COMPETITIVE DANCE TEAM: The hip hop dance team is assembling! If you love dancing, come to tryouts on **Monday, December 16th** from 3:30 to 5:30pm in the Drama Room. Bring \$5, your water bottle and wear something comfortable to move and sweat in. Tryouts will be run by the team coach and choreographer Ervinn Tangco. Please contact Mr. Podwysocki for further questions.

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER DASH - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: The Ugly Sweater Dash raises money for the Eagle Ridge Hospital Foundation. They need help **Saturday, December 7th**, shifts are available from 7am – 2pm. See Mr. Sabot for details or go to the original Ugly Sweater Dash website to register.

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 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.

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.

CLUBS

PMSS UNICEF CLUB - CHRISTMAS CANDY GRAMS: Christmas is around the corner and it's time to think about gifts for your friends! UNICEF is making your life easier by hand delivering Christmas candy grams for you right before Christmas! Each candy gram has a variety of chocolates and candies for just \$2! So come and pre-order in the MPR from **December 2nd to 6th**!

MATH COMPETITION CLUB – AMC 10/12: Interested in math contests? The Math Competition club is offering the AMC10 and AMC12. Registration will be \$10, **Tuesday, December 3rd**, **Friday, December 5th** and **Tuesday, December 10th**. Registration will be after school in room 220 and will be on a first-come first-served basis. See you there!

MSF – HOT CHOCOLATE/COOKIE SALE: Attention to all students and staff of PMSS. Get into the Christmas spirit and treat yourself with a toasty cup of hot chocolate with marshmallows and cookies! Doctors Without Borders will have a booth set up in the front foyer accepting pre-orders until **Friday, December 6th** so make sure to come check us out! Cookies are only \$1 and all proceeds go to a good cause!

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

COQUITLAM CHRISTMAS FARMERS MARKET is looking for volunteers for this one-time event on **Saturday, December 14th**, at the Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex, with shifts available from 7 am – 5:30 pm. Christmas Market Sign-Up: <https://forms.gle/aepNiddmWd42zsEM6>

PORT MOODY FARMER'S MARKET VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY – The Farmer's Market, running from 10 am – 2 pm every Sunday at the Port Moody Recreation Complex, is still recruiting volunteers. Find a volunteer role that suits you! More info in NEWS, Volunteering Channel.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES? – Check out the new website for CVC, the **Community Volunteering Connections** organization for volunteers in the Tri-Cities, New Westminster and Surrey, with 2 types of volunteering opportunities: **long term**, and **short-term** with a variety of local organizations. Complete details on the APP, **Volunteering and Employment Channel**

COQUITLAM FIREFIGHTING PROGRAM – If you're currently in Grade 11 or 12, and interested in a challenging experience, sign up for the **Coquitlam Junior Firefighting Program** during Spring Break 2020 in an 8-day camp at the Coquitlam Town Centre Firehall – **March 13 – 20, 2020**. Details and Application form on the **App** or the **Career Centre Online: Opportunities & Career Explorations**.

HUMANITARIAN AID RELIEF TRUST – the HART COMPETITION - Are you interested in global issues? Thinking about a career in the humanitarian sector? Consider competing for the prestigious annual **HART PRIZE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**. HART is a charity working in eight countries to bring change through aid and advocacy to victims of oppression and persecution. You may apply and submit in either the essay category or the creative (poetry, artwork, or sculpture) or **both**; one submission per category. Details on the App: **SCHOLARSHIPS & CONTESTS Channel. Deadline: MARCH 2/2020**.



SD43 FIREFIGHTING ACADEMY 2020

APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

SEE YOUR COUNSELOR

The poster features a black background with two horizontal bands of vibrant orange and yellow flames. The text is centered and uses a mix of white and orange colors.

PARENTS

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

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

PMSS GRAD 2020

AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FIRST AFTERGRAD MEETING: Wednesday, December 4th 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: **December 19th, January 16th, February 20th, March 19th, April 16th and May 21st**.

