



# Port Moody Times

Tuesday  
March 3, 2020  
Day 1

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

T. Fairley

## NEW NEWS

### COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS UPDATE - FEBRUARY 28<sup>th</sup>:

As they are released, COVID – 19 Novel Coronavirus updates from Fraser Health are posted to our school website under 'District News'. The most recent one was released late Friday (February 28<sup>th</sup>).

Additionally, the Ministry of Health has approved this message to share with parents/guardians. <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/bulletin/20200228/covid-19-letter-for-parents-and-guardians.pdf>

The Provincial Health Officer has also released a new [Frequently Asked Questions on COVID-19 for Children and Students](#). The FAQs provide more information on COVID-19 – including symptoms, prevention practices, additional resources and guidance related to staying home from school, wearing masks and supporting friends/classmates who are worried about the coronavirus.

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

- Two separate amounts of money were found in the school last week.
- A debit gift card was recently found in the student parking lot.
- A Starbucks gift card was recently found in the MPR at lunch.

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

**ATTENTION HOMEROOM 12 STUDENTS:** Your group *must* check in with Mr. Olynyk or Mrs. Stockley with your G9IP questions this week.

**ATTENTION GRADE 9 DIGITAL LEARNING STUDENTS:** Do you need support with Assignment 4: My Digital Portfolio or do you need some help getting ready for your interview? Then, please see Ms. Nagra, Ms. Mehai and Mr. Valente in room 321 from *March 3 – 6<sup>th</sup>* during Flex. *Interviews begin on March 10<sup>th</sup> and continue until April 16<sup>th</sup>. Check the bulletin board in room 320 for your interview date and time before March 10<sup>th</sup>.*

**ATTENTION GRADE 9 HOMEROOM 10 (MRS. SARTE AND MRS. BAYLEY):** We meet during Flex on *Wednesday* morning in room 214. See you there!

**ATTENTION GRADE 9 HOMEROOM 3 (MR. PODWYSOCKI AND MR. MILLIARD):** Reminder that a mandatory meeting takes place on *Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>* during Flex in **Portable 9**. Please ensure that you remind your Inquiry Project group members. **Homeroom 3. Milliard & Podwysocki. Portable 9. March 6. Friday at Flex.**

**ATTENTION GRADE 9 HOMEROOM 9 (MR. STRAUMFORD AND MS. MEHAI):** There is an important meeting on *Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>* during Flex in room 321 regarding your progress with your G9IP project research. Please connect with your group members to ensure everyone attends. See you in Flex!

**ATTENTION MR. LUNIW'S CLC STUDENTS:** There will be a mandatory class for Mr. Luniw's CLC students this *Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>* in Flex in the Band Room. Did we mention you need to complete all the assignments in this course in order to graduate?

**SFU INFORMATION SESSION FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS:** All Indigenous students are invited to an information session about SFU on *Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>* between 11:30-12:30 in the Drama room. Simon Fraser University will be coming to PMSS for a short presentation about entry into SFU and about the Interim Aboriginal University Preparation Program (IAUPP). A Soup, Bannock & Pizza Lunch will be provided. Parents are also welcome to attend.

**CALLING ALL READERS:** The Library Learning Commons seeks champions for three more books in our inaugural Canada Reads battle. Your challenge is to champion one of the books selected for Canada Reads. This year's contenders that are still up for grabs are:

- ***Small Game Hunting at the Local Coward Gun Club* by Megan Gail Coles**
- ***Radicalized* by Cory Doctorow**
- ***Son of a Trickster* by Eden Robinson**

As champion you will read and campaign for your title to be crowned as our Canada Reads winner this year. Prizes will be awarded. Interested? Speak to either Ms. Swistak or Mr. Birch in the Library Learning Commons. We would like to have student readers confirmed this week.

**DODGEBALL INTRAMURALS:** Dodgeball Intramurals begin **today**. If you signed up, make sure to check the gym bulletin board for details. The teams playing **today** are:

- Give 2 Live vs The Return of Jamba Juice
- Bardia & Friends vs the Cross

**TRACK AND FIELD:** Sign-up for the Track and Field team will be held during Flex time in the Library. Practices and meets will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting in April and running into June. See Mr. Sawchuk if you are unable to meet during Flex time.

**SENIOR COMPETITIVE DANCE TEAM:** Congrats to the Senior Competitive Dance Team for placing 8<sup>th</sup> place at Footloose 2020! They will be competing again this **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** @ Notorious 2020 and **Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** @ Shamrock 2020. Wish them luck!

**COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP FORCE – POKE BOWL PICK-UP:** A reminder to all who ordered a poke bowl from CLF that they will be available for pick-up after school **today** in the Blues Zone!

**HAVE YOU APPLIED TO BCIT? CHECK OUT BCIT PATHWAY TO SUCCESS AWARDS FOR SD43 STUDENTS** – Three, \$3,000 tuition awards are offered to SD43 STUDENTS **who have already applied to BCIT**, have a BCIT student number, and will begin studies in a full time first year technology, technical studies or trade program **before** March 31, 2021. You must be endorsed by your school to apply; submit endorsement application to Ms Campbell or Ms Truax by **3 PM, MARCH 11/20**. Endorsement application/instructions and criteria details are available at the Career Centre Online – Financial Aid/Scholarships, or see Ms Truax in the Career Centre.

**COAST CAPITAL SAVINGS ‘YOUTH GET IT’ INTERNSHIPS** – Future Grade 11 & 12 in September 2020 are invited to join the **Coast Capital Savings 2020/2021 Youth Internship program** for students in the Lower Mainland/Fraser Valley. Interns work PAID, full-time shifts in summer, 5 days a week at Coast Capital branches and part time on weekends during the school year. Applications are **NOW OPEN ONLINE**, and close **April 10/20** – visit [www.coastcapitalsavings.com/OurCommunity/ProgramsForYouth/YouthTeam/](http://www.coastcapitalsavings.com/OurCommunity/ProgramsForYouth/YouthTeam/) for details and the online application.

## **ONGOING NEWS**

**PHOENIX MUSIC FESTIVAL – MARCH 11<sup>th</sup>:** Music Council is selling tickets for Phoenix Music Fest at lunch! The grand raffle prize is a \$100 Amazon gift card and you get 3 raffle tickets if you pre-order. Admission is \$5. It's not just for PMSS students – invite your family and friends too!

**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 [pmscookbook@gmail.com](mailto:pmscookbook@gmail.com) with your name, recipe and a photo of the dish if possible. We're excited to see what you cook up!

**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.

**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

**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.

## CLUBS

**GREEN TEAM CLUB – ELECTRONICS AND BATTERY RECYCLING DRIVE:** Hey PMSS! The Green Team is running our annual Electronics and Recycling Drive until **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**. 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*

**STUDY AND GO ABROAD EXPO, MARCH 3** – A great opportunity to learn about international undergraduate programs and experiential travel and volunteer opportunities at Canada's largest International University and Student Travel Fair on **Tuesday, March 3 from 2 – 6 pm** at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Details on the App – Post-Secondary Channel.

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP: FARAH ISMAIL LEGACY FUND BURSARY - \$500** – Students intending to apply for this 'External Scholarship' (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) can now find current application instructions online on the **Mobile App/Scholarships & Awards NEWS channel**, or check the PMSS website/Career Centre/Financial Aid & Scholarships. Students must have attended **Glen Elementary School**. **Deadline: May 15/2020**

**BCIT BIOTECHNOLOGY CAREER EXPLORATION** – Open to students in Grades 10, 11 & 12 with an interest in science, scientific research, and in a biotechnology-related career. Spring Workshop now planned: **April 27– May 1/20**. Students must commit to the entire week, which requires missing classes at PMSS for the week. Your application must include a **referral** from a Science teacher (entered on application form); DEADLINE March 6/20. Detailed info and the application is on the App/Opportunities & Careers channel, or the school website: Career Centre/Opportunities & Careers

**SFU SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS**– 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.**

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS – COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – Robert Simms Memorial Scholarship- APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE** – 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**.

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS PACKAGE, EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS: 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](http://school website/Career Centre/Scholarships). **DEADLINE TO APPLY: April 7/20**

**BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS** – 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](http://www.bcit.ca/finaid)

## PARENTS

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

**NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Library**

New parents welcome.

# PMSS GRAD 2020

## AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**NEXT AFTERGRAD MEETING: Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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, pocket square, 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21<sup>st</sup>. 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: **March 19<sup>th</sup>, April 16<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>.**



# COMMUNITY



Please visit our website for details:  
[www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)  
 Phone: 604-936-4261



## Secondary Skill Building Advanced (High School) Credit Fast Track (Online Blended) Credit

Classes available to view on our website as of Mar. 1st  
 Registration dates listed below.

Fast Track	Advanced (High School) Credit	Skill Building and Remedial
<p>Blended Model of Instruction;                      Face-to-face classes twice a week (3 hours each) &amp; online instruction. Morning and Afternoon classes.</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> July 2-August 7  <b>Location:</b> Gleneagle Secondary</p> <p>Biology 12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11; English 10,11,12; Mathematics 10,11; Physics 11,12; PE 10; Fitness &amp; Conditioning 11/12; Social Studies 11.                      Completion of course is within a 6 week timeline. These are full credit courses.</p>	<p>Students who complete these courses will receive full credit and a mark on their transcript. Morning and Afternoon classes.</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> July 2-August 7  <b>Locations:</b> Centennial Secondary                      Gleneagle Secondary</p> <p>Grade 10, 11 and 12 courses in English, Mathematics &amp; Sciences; Social Studies 10/11; *EAL 10 Academic Strategies for Learning; *EAL 10 &amp; 11 English Language Development</p> <p><i>* EAL courses are by referral only, not open for public registration. Referral forms available starting in April.</i></p>	<p>Skill Building - Grades 8, 9 &amp; 10                      Courses are non-credit. Students may take these courses to review previously covered course content OR preview a course.</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> July 7-24  <b>Times:</b> 8:30-11:30 &amp; 12:00-3:00pm  <b>Location:</b> Centennial Secondary                      Gleneagle Secondary</p> <p>Courses: Coding (Info Tech), English, English for Beginners, Financial Literacy, Home Ec, Jazz &amp; Concert Band, Math, Basketball/Leadership, Science, Skills for School Success, Tech Ed, and more!</p>

Registration opens at 6am:

Secondary Skill Building:  
 Wed. April 29

Advanced (High School) Credit:  
 Tuesday May 5

Fast Track:  
 Tuesday May 5

Check our website's Registration Information page for instructions.

Were you a student in Summer 2019? Watch for emails in mid-March for profile and registration instructions.

Parents' comments from Summer 2019:

"My kids loved their summer learning experience. We will most certainly register again!"

"My daughter loved her class"

Courses are tuition free for BC residents. A \$100 textbook deposit is charged upon registration for courses that use textbooks. International students will be charged tuition after registering.



Remedial - Grades 9 & 10

Courses provide a path for students who achieved 40-49% in a course to attain a 50% passing grade. Grade 9 & 10 remedial courses only. All Remedial courses include teaching of organizational and study skills.

Courses: Grades 9 & 10 courses in English, Math, Science & Social studies. Centennial Secondary only. Remedial courses are by referral open, not open for public registration. Referral forms available starting in April.



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