



Port Moody Times

Thursday
October 29, 2020

PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:
C. Ditosto, K. Wuttunee

NEW NEWS

SPIRIT WEEK:

Thursday	Pyjama Day
Friday	Halloween Costumes

FRASER HEALTH WEBSITE: As incidents of exposure increase in the Fraser Health region, we have all been asking questions in an effort to better understand school and public protocols. The videos posted to the [Fraser Health website](https://www.fraserhealth.ca) (fraserhealth.ca > Back to school resources for parents and teachers) may be helpful to you. The first video is a Question and Answer session with Dr. Ingrid Tyler (posted October 13th). While 40+ minutes long, it has quite a bit of useful information and the transcript is readable from the same page. Below the first video is a series of shorter videos answering a variety of school based questions (updated October 16th).

REQUEST FROM OUR NEIGHBOURS: We recognize the location of the school is difficult for driver access but please be vigilant in considering others when deciding where you drop off / pick up, as well as how we all generally drive in and out of our school community. We have had several comments from neighbours recently expressing concern for the speed of cars, parking in no parking areas and in some cases blocking driveways.

POST-SECONDARY & CAREER ADVISOR UPDATE: Please welcome **Ms. Megan Chang** as our new Post-Secondary & Career Advisor! While new to the position Ms. Chang is a familiar face at PMSS having moved departments within the school.

PARENT RESOURCES: If you were unable to attend last week's evening Zoom presentation on October 21st, you can still access a variety of videos and presentations showcasing the school. Materials are posted to our school website [HERE](#).

SST - SOCIAL MEDIA AWARENESS AND CYBERBULLYING TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES: Please see the invite information below from Safer Schools Together for virtual training session for students and families.

October 29th – Student Sessions from 4pm – 5pm – Social media Awareness, Digital Footprints and Cyberbullying. To learn more and to register please click here:
<https://event-wizard.com/SocialMediaAwarenessStudentOctober2020/0/register/>

GR. 10 NUMERACY AND LITERACY ASSESSMENTS: In order to meet current health and safety guidelines, Grade 10s will complete their assessments when they are enrolled in their Math (Numeracy) and English (Literacy) Classes. Grade 10s who are not enrolled in an English 10 or Math 10 class will have an opportunity to write in Quarter 3 or 4. Grade 11s and 12s who did not previously complete their assessment will be provided an opportunity to write in Quarter 3.

Please see next week's schedule below. Please note the 8am start time for Ms. Whitcher's Creative Writing 10 class and Ms. Kang's Math 10 class. These students are encouraged to arrive at 7:45am on Monday Nov. 2.

Class	Assessment	Date	Time	Location
Kang (Full Class)	Numeracy	Monday Nov. 2	8:00-11:00am	214
Whitcher (Full Class)	Literacy	Monday Nov. 2	8:00-11:00am	314
Phull (A-L)	Numeracy	Monday Nov. 2	11:15am-2:15pm	107
Kukulowicz (A-L)	Literacy	Monday Nov. 2	11:15am-2:15pm	218
Phull (M-Z)	Numeracy	Tuesday Nov. 3	11:15am-2:15pm	107
Kukulowicz (M-Z)	Literacy	Tuesday Nov. 3	11:15am-2:15pm	218

ATTENTION ALL GRADS: Please follow this link to submit your grad writeup for the Yearbook:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS4f0IRq-ab9MvSrC6pl25wBUOFFQUjdYR1FXMFE3OU5JOU1VMjNaSkROVi4u>. All baby photos and writeups must be submitted by **Friday, October 30th** so do not delay!

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: You can now be a contributor for the **YEARBOOK!** With all of the social distancing this year, we are going to be calling on you, the student body to make our Yearbook great. We need your help getting outstanding photos of your friends and classmates. And don't worry, we've made it easy for you! Just follow these steps to get started:

1. Download the "Friesens ULoadIt" app from the Play Store or Apple Store.
2. Enter the School Code **267346** to be connected to Port Moody Secondary.
3. Start uploading or taking photos from the app. Note: You will need to add a name to each photo before you upload – keep these simple so we can sort the photos better (i.e., Math Class, Grade 10, Halloween, etc...)

The more creative and unique photos we receive the better the Yearbook will be, so get out there and start taking pictures!

INDIGENOUS NEWS: The Aboriginal Youth Leadership Club (AYLC) is starting once again. The aim of the AYLC is to explore and celebrate Indigenous cultures and perspectives while developing leadership skills, confidence and sense of belonging. In the past there have been such activities as canoeing, weaving, nature walks for medicines and cultural teachings such as Medicine wheel, and as well, opportunities for youth to do volunteer activities for our community events. Meetings will be monthly, and the duration will be 90 mins. For those interested in joining the AYLC, please send your name to awaunch@sd43.bc.ca. Space will be limited due to COVID restrictions and as set out by the Provincial Health Authority.

ATTENTION GRADE 12s: The Counselling Department has set up a Scholarship Team for you to access the Grad presentations, scholarship presentations and documents. To join the team, use this code: eaca16k. Look under "Files" to see the uploaded presentations and files. Also, post any questions regarding scholarships/process/or questions about graduation and the counsellors will answer!

ATTENTION GRADE 11 AND 12 STUDENTS: Post Secondary BC will be hosting Virtual Fairs for students and parents. You must register online: <https://postsecondarybcvirtualfair.easyvirtualfair.com/> and set up an account/password to access the fair. There will be 30 different booths that you can visit with presentations.

NEW PMSS CAREER RESOURCE CENTRE TEAMS GROUP AVAILABLE: Please contact Ms. Chang to be added to the Teams page! Come drop by the Career Resource Centre or email Ms. Chang at mchang@sd43.bc.ca to be included in all the latest updates or if you want to have a quick Q&A!

BC POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION INFO FAIR – The annual Post-Secondary Fair is now virtual! **Tri-Cities students in GRADE 11 & 12** will register for one of two online events: **Wednesday Nov 4th 2 pm – 6pm** and **Thursday Nov 5th 3 pm – 7pm**. Three Community Fairs open to anyone are also available. Find complete details **and the registration link** on the PMSS website/Career Centre: <https://tinyurl.com/Career-Centre-Post-Secondary>

ONGOING NEWS

FOUND: A black car fob was found on the ramp of Portable 6 **Thursday, October 22nd**. Please come to the office to claim.

CHALLENGE EXAMS: The Delta School District is offering **Language Challenge Exams** for Grade 11 and 12 Language Courses. This year they will be offering Language Challenge Exams for the following courses: French 11/12, Japanese 11/12, Korean 11/12, Mandarin 11/12, Punjabi 11/12 and Spanish 11/12.

The purpose of Challenge is to permit students to obtain credit for a Grade 11 or 12 course who have already acquired the appropriate learning elsewhere. A successful challenge results in a student receiving credit for the appropriate content as well as a school mark.

To APPLY: students must access and complete the online form available here--
<https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/schools/secondary/challenge-exams/>

Once the student has typed the application online, they must print pages 7 to 10 inclusive of the application and bring to Mr. Gibney at lunch in the MPR who confirms student eligibility and approves the request. Students must also be advised that a deposit is required, only refundable if the student completes the exam. Students must also be able to travel to Delta to complete the exam on **January 23 or 24, 2021**.

The deadline for applications is FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2020 at lunch break.

ATTENTION GRAD CLASS OF 2021: Artona's mobile trailer will be on-site for grad photos from **November 16th-27th**. Please note that you must pre-book your photo time. Bookings can be made here:
<https://artona.com/schools/PMOD/programs/graduation>. Artona's approved safety protocols can also be found at the same site.

ATTENTION GRAD CLASS OF 2021: Make sure to subscribe to our Grad 2021 channel on the App. Posted this week: information on how to book your grad photos.

TERRY FOX – MARATHON OF HOPE: There's still time to donate to this year's Terry Fox Fundraising. You can donate online at www.terryfox.ca/PortMoodySecondary. Thanks to all those who have been able to donate so far! Let's continue to make a difference in the fight against Cancer.



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.

PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays*. Announcements will not be read over the PA at this time. The Times will also be posted in the Cafeteria under the clock.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

SCHULICH LEADER SCHOLARSHIPS – Grade 12 students interested in a STEM post-secondary program (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) are invited to apply for the PMSS nomination for a **Schulich Leader Scholarship**, awarded at each of 20 Canadian universities to a student enrolling in a STEM program: up to 100 available at up to \$100,00 or \$80,000. Nomination application deadline: **NOV. 27/20**. Criteria details and app form on PMSS/Career Centre website: <https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships>

UBC CENTENNIAL SCHOLARS ENTRANCE AWARDS – UBC's entrance award program is designed to financially support academically qualified students entering UBC from high school who would not otherwise be able to attend without significant financial assistance. This program offers entering students one-time & renewable awards of up to \$80,000, to cover the full cost of a degree and living expenses. Students and families or guardians must complete an application to demonstrate financial need. Application forms will be online **on NOVEMBER 1/20** at <https://you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/scholarships-awards-canadian-students/entrance-award/>. Applications & documents must be received by **December 1/2020**

TD CANADA TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP—valued up to \$70,000 each; awarded to Grade 12 Canadian students who have demonstrated community leadership. Details on the school website/Career Centre/Scholarships. **Deadline for submissions: November 13/20**

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP AWARD – DEADLINE: NOV. 5/20- Students planning to attend Queens U with a 90% + average who wish to apply for the Chancellor's Scholarship **must be nominated** by their high school. Port Moody is permitted **two** nominations; submit a completed School Nomination application form + required documents to Ms Truax or Ms Campbell **before 3 PM, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5**. Complete details & forms are on the Career Centre Online/Financial Aid & Scholarships page.

Future Student Virtual Events/Information Sessions

KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

October 3, 12 pm – 2 pm

Virtual Open House

kpu.ca/openhouse

RYERSON UNIVERSITY

September 21-25

Connect with current Ryerson students

November 9-13, 16-20

Connect with Ryerson faculty and staff for program -specific sessions

<https://www.ryerson.ca/admissions/undergraduate/at-home/virtual-open-house/>

SFU

September 23, 8:00-9:00am

<https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/campus-tours.html>

Prospective Undergrad students

U of Alberta

September 22, 29

<https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?v=canadian>

UBC

Future students Live Virtual Vancouver Campus tours throughout **September and October**, listed on the Undergraduate Future Student Portal:

<https://account.you.ubc.ca/s/events>

U of Calgary

October 14 (for BC students) 10-11am MST

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/events>

U of Manitoba

September 21-October 29

<http://umanitoba.ca/admissions/recruitment-info-sessions>

U of Toronto

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U of T Webcast for Prospective Students
Monday, September 21 at 6:00 PM• U of T Webcast for Prospective Students
Monday, September 28 at 8:30 AM• U of T Webinar for Prospective Students
Monday, October 5 at 6:00 PM• U of T Webinar for Prospective Students
Monday, October 26 at 8:30 AM | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U of T Webinar for Prospective Students
Monday, November 2 at 6:00 PM• U of T Webinar for Prospective Students
Monday, November 9 at 8:30 AM• U of T Webinar Prospective Students
Monday, November 16 at 6:00 PM• U of T Webinar for Prospective Students
Monday, November 23 at 8:30 AM |
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U of Saskatchewan

September 24 3:00-7:00

https://admissions.usask.ca/tours-and-events/open-house.php?mc_cid=10722f22dc&mc_eid=de4d49eda6

UVIC

September 22, 29, October 6, 27, November 12, 17, 24

<https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/index.php>

PARENTS

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

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting: The link will be posted next week.

Hello PMSS parents. Would you like to help run the PAC by attending once a month meetings and make decisions on what the students need or what the student budget money goes towards? Please join us via Zoom.

We are looking for someone to be the **PAC Secretary** as well as **Grade 12 parents** that would like to plan the **2021 Grad**. It is ONE HOUR of your time a month until the actual month of the Graduation, where you may be asked to put in more volunteer hours. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to be part of our planning and committees, please feel free to email Sherry@Gearforce.com.