PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY: G. Walker, G.Lau, E. Cluett, M. Finnigan, V. Martin, J. Bouvier

COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION:

Registration and information available at the website How to Get Vaccinated

LOST & FOUND: If any of the following items belong to you, please come to the office to claim:

- Guess wallet
- airpod case
- 2 gift cards

<u>GIVE TO SHARE!</u> With the holiday season right around the corner, please show support by giving to SHARE Family & Community Services. Non-perishable food collection will be happening in Block 2 classes for the rest of December, and you can also donate to SHARE directly via this link: https://sharesociety.ca/donate-to-share

The Port Moody Secondary School community has always done our part to donate to our community partner and we're hoping to do the same this year. Please do what you can to make this time of the year brighter for others. Thank you all in advance for your generosity!

<u>DECEMBER DECATHLON:</u> Hey PMSS! We are collaborating with SHARE Food Bank once again this holiday season. From December 1 to December 17, please bring food donations to your block 2 class and place them in the food drive box provided. The class that brings in the most food will be awarded with a pizza prize!

We are also bringing back last year's popular event, the December Decathlon! Decathlon events will run from December 6-10. Events will be towards the end of the block and may go into lunch. You will be competing in the Decathlon with your block 2 class as your team. Spirit days will take place the following week from December 13-17 to wrap up our ten days leading up to winter break.

Here is a list of the 5 events from December 6-10:

- Monday, December 6 Holiday Kahoot #1
- Tuesday, December 7 Holiday building challenge
- Wednesday, December 8 Holiday musical challenge
- Thursday, December 9 Holiday Kahoot #2
- Friday, December 10 Holiday-themed game!

More specific instructions for the events will be sent out on the day of. Links to the Kahoots and forms for the events will be emailed to block 2 teachers before the events.

And here's the Winter Spirit Week themes for December 13 to 17:

- Monday, December 13: Flannel & Fuzzy Socks Day Wear your favourite flannel and some fuzzy socks to start your week!
- Tuesday, December 14: Candy Cane Day Dress like a candy cane! You can also grab a friend for this day! One of you wears white, and the other wears red.
- Wednesday, December 15: Holiday Colours
 - o Grade 9 White
 - o Grade 10 Red
 - o Grade 11 Green
 - o Grade 12 Blue
 - o Teachers Wear the same colour as your block 2 class.
- Thursday, December 16: Holiday Character Day
 - Grade 9s: Elves
 - o Grade 10s: Snow people
 - o Grade 11s: Reindeer
 - o Grade 12s: Santa
 - o Teachers: Christmas Trees
- Friday, December 17: Ugly Sweater Day Show off your ugliest holiday sweater!

Happy holiday season!

BLUES SPIRIT CREW CLUB - PMSS GOT TALENT SHOW: Audition now for the PMSS Got Talent Show on *Friday, December 17*th! Blues Spirit Crew is hosting the annual talent show and auditions are now open! From singing to dancing to magic - display your talents for a chance to win prizes (1st - \$50, 2nd - \$30, and 3rd - \$20). The event will take place in Block 2 classes and students will vote for winners. *Submit auditions by Monday, December 6*th using this link https://bit.ly/pmsstalent

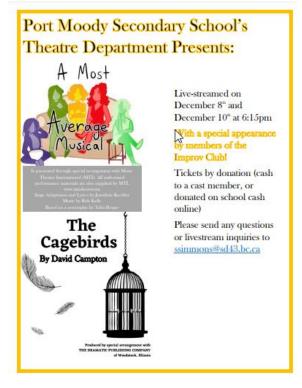


PMSS THEATRE PRODUCTIONS:

Due to COVID-19 and safety protocols, this year's fall/winter production will be streamed virtually on YouTube Live. The shows, "A Most Average Musical" and "The Cagebirds," are free to watch and streamed twice; once on **Wednesday**, **December 8**th, and once on **Friday**, **December 10**th. There will also be a short improv set out on by members of the Improv Club. We are incredibly grateful that you are interested in watching the shows and supporting the theatre community here at PMSS.

If you wish to further support the theatre community at the school and are looking to donate financially, feel free to donate either by school cash online or by cheque/cash. Any donation is gratefully appreciated and donations of \$25.00 or more will receive an income tax receipt from School District 43.

Thank you on behalf of the Theatre Community here at PMSS and we hope that you enjoy the show.



<u>ONGOING</u>

<u>STUDENT COUNCIL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!</u> Student Council invites you to make your voices heard on a grade-level-basis. This year, the team would like input from fellow peers on event ideas as well as positive changes they'd like to see implemented in our school community. Use the grade level form link below to submit your ideas. We encourage you to participate and to make your voice and ideas heard!

- Grade 9 Form
- Grade 10 Form
- Grade 11 Form
- Grade 12 Form

YOUTH DIALOGUE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE: Are you interested in helping make our education system for racially just for all? You might be interested in participating in a dialogue with other students, and the Minister of Education. For more information, please see https://www.speakingrights.ca/bc-youth-dialogue-series. The deadline to apply is *Monday*, *December 6th*, and you can decide the format that you use to apply.

<u>PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES:</u> School District 43 uses the KEV School Cash Online for both fee statements and District Policies forms. Currently our focus is to collect the information from the various forms.

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot please come to the office at lunch or after school to pick up a Parking Registration form.

<u>PMSS TIMES NEWSLETTER:</u> The PMSS Times newsletter will be emailed to parents and students on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays*. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies of the PMSS Times outside the office and it will also be posted in the Cafeteria under the clock and in the LLC (Library Learning Commons).

CAREER CENTRE

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

PLEASE READ: For the following items, please check the Career Centre

Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or the website: https://tinyurl.com/4x8ucpc6 for more info and links. Follow @pmsstransitions on Twitter and Instagram for reminders!

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO - PLANETARY ROBOTICS VIRTUAL SEMINAR (IN COLLABORATION WITH NASA):

When: Thursday, December 2nd from 4:00pm – 5:00pm PST

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA INFO SESSION FOR SD43:

When: Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00pm

KINTERNS: KINESIOLOGY ESHADOWING:

What: Learn about a day in the life as a Kinesiologist with Q&A

When: Sunday, December 4th at 9:00am

STEAMCANADA - DECEMBER VIRTUAL COURSES:

What: Courses for high school students include Java Coding, Physical Computing, 3D Printing and Blender Animation

Cost: \$200 - \$250 +TAX (depending on course)

Runs: Monday, December 6th – Tuesday, December 14th from 5:00pm - 6:30pm

BC CENTRE FOR WOMEN IN TRADES VIRTUAL EVENT:

For: Females of all grades interested in trades or taking a trades class

When: Monday, December 6th from 6:30pm – 8:00pm

SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: MATERIAL ENGINEERING (VIRTUAL):

For: All grades Cost: Free

When: Saturday, December 11th from 1:00pm – 2:00pm **Deadline to register:** Monday, December 6th at 11:59pm

SHAD CANADA 2022:

Brief Description: For the first time in two years, Shad will be on campus with 19 university partners across Canada. Collaborate with a community of like-minded grade 10 and 11 students from across Canada, live-on campus, dive into hands-on STEAM learning and social innovation - that uses #STEAM4Good, and make strides in confidence, teamwork, and critical thinking skills.

For: Grades 10-11 students

Cost: \$6100 (financial aid available)

Program runs: Sunday, July 3rd – Friday, July 29th, 2022 **Deadline to apply:** Monday, December 6th at 8:59pm PST

POST-SECONDARYBC VIRTUAL FAIR:

Registration is required on the PSBC website

When: Tuesday December 7th from 9:00am – 7:00pm

LANGARA COLLEGE WITH SD43 INFO SESSION:

When: Thursday, December 9th at 6:00pm

EMILY CARR - NATIONAL PORTFOLIO DAY (VIRTUAL): **NEW**

What: Get your portfolio reviewed by faculty members from art and design schools before applying to colleges and

universities!

When: Friday, December 10th from 8:00am – 2:00pm

Cost: Free

FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY 2022 APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN:

For: All current Grade 11 & 12 students

Runs: First week of Spring Break 2022 (Friday to Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm)

Deadline to apply: Friday, December 10th

VANCOUVER FILM SCHOOL INFO-SESSION:

When: Wednesday, December 15th at 4:00pm

MT. SEYMOUR APPRENTICE INSTRUCTOR PROGRAM: **NEW**

What: It will focus on improving both your skiing and riding technique to meet CSIA and CASI level 1 standard. Program participants will have the opportunity to achieve their volunteer hours working with our Bear Cub programs on the weekends.

For: Must be at least 15 years old and enjoys working with children ages 4-7

Cost: \$199

Runs: Option A: December 21st - March 5th, Option B: December 23rd - March 6th with Exams March 11th -13th

ON THE MIC TRAINING - IN-STUDIO KIDS AND TEENS WORKSHOP:

For: Students 9-17 that are aspiring voice actors

Program runs: 6 weeks from Saturday, January 8th – Saturday, February 12th, 2022 every Saturday from 10:00am -

12:30pm **Cost:** \$399

JIBC: LAW ENFORCEMENT STUDIES DIPLOMA/ DEGREE PROGRAMS INFO SESSION:

When: Tuesday, January 11th, 2022 at 7:00pm

U OF ALBERTA GETAWAY:

Description: Experience a Top 5 university in Canada! Your adventure will include transportation, accommodations, and a whirlwind weekend of exciting events. You'll have the chance to stay in residence, check out state-of-the-art facilities, learn about our 200+ programs, uncover hidden gems on campus, and experience UAlberta student life.

**Please check Career Centre TEAMS / website for full details

For: Grade 11 students only

When: Friday, May 27th – Sunday, May 29th, 2022 **Deadline to apply:** Friday, January 28th, 2022

VOLUNTEER / WORK EXPERIENCE

AUNT LEAH'S TREES (VOLUNTEER):

For: All ages

Positions available: cashiers, customer service reps

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL AT THE MUSEUM (VOLUNTEER):

For: 13+

Positions: Front door taking donations, gift shop

When: will take place December 1- 24th, with hours available from 12:00pm - 9:00pm

COQUITLAM VOLUNTEER CONNECTIONS SURVEY (VOLUNTEER):

**Earn 1 hour of volunteer hours for completing a 3 min survey

Deadline: Friday, December 3rd

POCO REC: SWIM LESSON ASSISTANT (VOLUNTEER):

For: 15+ students with Bronze Cross, Water Safety Instructor and Standard First Aid Certifications

Where: Hyde Creek Rec Centre and/or PoCo Community Centres – Lap and Leisure Pools Commitment: Must commit to a minimum of one full lesson set (approx. 20 hours/ season)

Deadline: Friday, December 3rd

<u>CITY OF POCO – TREE PLANTING AND INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL:</u>

When: Sunday, December 5th from 10:00am – 3:00pm

Where: Coutts Park

SUNSHINE SOCIETY: **NEW**

Positions available: Chair member, environmental team member, social media marketer, website design member,

internal communications member, external communications member, grant writer and campaign manager

For: All high school students

Deadline to apply: Thursday, December 16th

ADVENTURE PLAY CARE SOCIETY: OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP LEADER: **NEW**

When: Monday, December 20th – Monday, January 3rd, 2022 from 9:00am – 3:00pm

Where: Wil meet at places like White Pine Beach, Buntzen Lake, Lafarge Lake, Lion's Park, Mundy Park, Westhill Park and

more

For: Students aged 16+

SCHOLARSHIPS / AWARDS

SCHULICH LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP:

You must be nominated by the school to apply for the scholarship

Value: \$100k for students pursuing engineering, and \$80k for students pursuing math, technology or science

School nomination deadline: Friday, December 3rd at 12:00pm

7BINARYOPTIONS SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST:

For: Anyone 16+ Value: \$3000

Deadline: Wednesday, December 15th

BURGER KING FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM:

** Note: You do not need to be a Burger King employee to apply

Value: \$1000 x 30

Deadline: Wednesday, December 15th

2021-2022 FRENCH FUTURE NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:

For: Grades 10-12 students
Value: Ranges from \$1k - \$20k
Deadline: Friday, December 17th

MINI-MED SCHOLARSHIP: **NEW**

For: Grade 12 students who participated in all 4 Mini-Med School 2021 sessions (Live or On-Demand)

Value: \$1000

Deadline: Friday, January 7th, 2022

JOHN EVANS ENGINEERING ENTRANCE AWARD:

Value: \$5000.00

Deadline: Monday, January 10th, 2022 at 9:00pm PST

BEEDIE LUMINARIES SCHOLARSHIP:

Value: Up to \$40,000, access to mentors, peer support groups and summer paid internship opportunities

Deadline: Thursday, January 13th, 2022

2022 STEAM HORIZON AWARDS:

Value: \$25,000

Deadline: Friday, January 14th, 2022

WESTERN UNIVERSITY NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP:

**This scholarship requires school nomination.

Value: Up to \$72,000

School nomination deadline: Friday, January 14th, 2022 at 3:00pm

CMOLIK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP:

School nomination is required. Students that have faced adversity and/ or financial difficulty is encouraged to apply!

Value: Up to \$40,000 per recipient, 1:1 mentoring, Career Coaching, and eligibility for additional internal awards/ grants

School deadline: Friday, January 14th, 2022

SPEAT BC ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP:

**Domestic AND International Students can apply!

Value: \$1000

Deadline: Saturday, January 15th, 2022

FCM CANADIAN WOMEN IN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP:

Eligibility: Open to any female Canadian citizen currently enrolled in any year of study at a Canadian Secondary School

Value: \$1000

Deadline: Friday, January 21st, 2022

DB PERKS AND LIFE SAVING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP:

For: Grade 12's that are active lifeguards

Value: \$1000.00

Deadline: Monday, January 31st, 2022

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:

For: Open to students under the age of 19 as of October 1st, 2021 who are not enrolled as degree-seeking students of a post-secondary institution

Topic: "How Does an Optimistic Mindset Change My Tomorrow?"

Value: \$2500

Deadline: Monday, January 31st, 2022

KIN CANADA BURSARY:

Value: \$1000

Deadline: Tuesday, February 1st, 2022

COQUITLAM FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARIES: **NEW**

Value: 11 scholarships available (so depends), but only one will be awarded per student

Deadline: (For all scholarships) Tuesday, February 15th, 2022

BCSTA SCHOLARSHIPS:

Value: \$500

Deadline: Monday, February 28th, 2022

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PARENTS

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

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, December 7th at 7:00 pm

Join our meeting by Zoom: The link will be posted at a later date.

GRAD 2022

Grad 2022 needs the support of all families in our Port Moody Secondary School community.

ECO-FRIENDLY LAUNDRY DETERGENT FUNDRAISER: Got dirty laundry? Get it clean and help the 2022 GRAD CLASS by purchasing an ECO-FRIENDLY LAUNDRY DETERGENT that's as sensitive on your skin, as it is on the environment.

Use the link below or scan the QR code with your device to learn more.

http://shrsl.com/1tkr7-1xxd-tzco

