



# Port Moody Times

Thursday  
December 9, 2021  
Day 1

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

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**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:

- ring
- Guess wallet
- airpod case
- 2 gift cards
- 2 compass cards

**ATTENTION ALL GRADE 12s:** If you have not yet done so, please return your Transcript Verification package to your **BLOCK 2 teacher or the main office even if there are no changes, as they are now past due!** Counsellors need to confirm that you have reviewed your credits and graduation status. If there are errors, please write the corrections on the package and Counsellors will review and fix the errors.

**ATTENTION ALL GRADS!** Time to put in writing all your positive memories that happened during your last 4 years of high school! These write-ups go with your photo in the PMSS Yearbook. Please follow the link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/RYJESz8py1>

You will be asked to provide your Grad write-up for the yearbook and your baby photos. These are all due by **Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**, but you should get them done asap. If you need access to a computer you may come down to room 201 during Flex or lunch.

**WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE FOR DOWN TOWN EAST SIDE WOMEN'S CENTRE:** There will be boxes in the Blues Zone. Please check our posters around the school for needed items and make sure that all clothing is bagged and labelled with gender and size.

**PHILOSOPHER'S CAFÉ:** Join us to discuss Philosophy and explore the unanswered inquires of life this **Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** at lunch in Room 217. Teams code: mOq1w66 or email [gkukulowicz@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:gkukulowicz@sd43.bc.ca)

**CURLING TEAM:** If any students are interested in joining the PMSS curling team, please see Mr. Straumford ASAP.

**KIDSPORT EQUIPMENT DRIVE:** Hey PMSS! If you have any old sports equipment please bring it in from **December 7<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>** and leave it in one of the Kidsport bins in your class or around the school.

**GIVE TO SHARE!** 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!

**DECEMBER DECATHLON:** 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 events for the remainder of this week:

- 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
  - Grade 9 - White
  - Grade 10 - Red
  - Grade 11 - Green
  - Grade 12 - Blue
  - Teachers – Wear the same colour as your block 2 class.
- Thursday, December 16: Holiday Character Day
  - Grade 9s: Elves
  - Grade 10s: Snow people
  - Grade 11s: Reindeer
  - Grade 12s: Santa
  - Teachers: Christmas Trees
- Friday, December 17: Ugly Sweater Day - Show off your ugliest holiday sweater!



**Thank you for supporting your community!**

**SHARE Food Bank is in need of:**

- Canned Fruit**
- Cooking Oil (1L or under)**
- Juice (1L or under)**
- Granola Bars/Cookies/Crackers**
- Lentils and Beans (canned or dried)**
- Rice (900g or under)**
- Canned Meats**
- Tomato Paste and Sauce**
- Canned Pasta with Sauce**
- Honey/Tahini/Jam (500g or under)**

For safety reasons, we are unable to distribute items that are open, damaged, or past the best before date

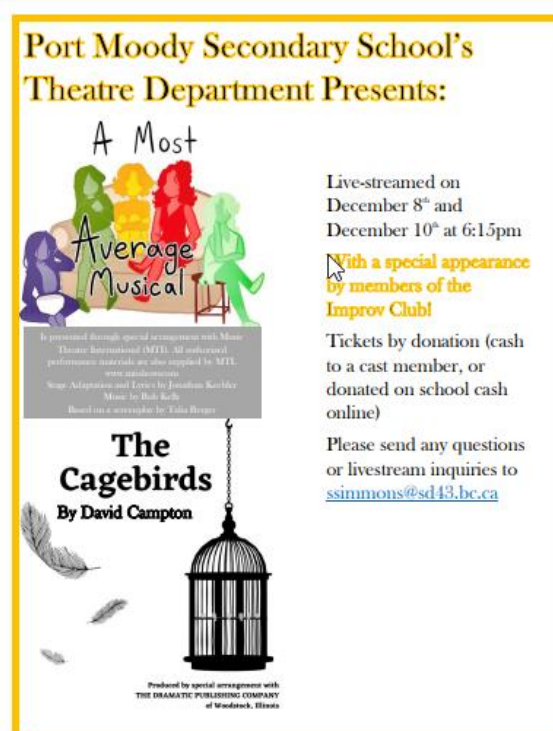
## ONGOING

### 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<sup>th</sup>**, and once on **Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**. 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.



**STUDENT COUNCIL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!** 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](#)

**PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES:** 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.

**PMSS TIMES NEWSLETTER:** 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!

### LANGARA COLLEGE WITH SD43 INFO SESSION:

**When:** Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

### EMILY CARR - NATIONAL PORTFOLIO DAY (VIRTUAL):

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

**When:** Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup>

**VANCOUVER FILM SCHOOL INFO-SESSION:**

**When:** Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm

**ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY (IN NEW BRUNSWICK) - WESTERN CANADA VIRTUAL INFO SESSION:**

**\*\*Students who attend the webinar will be eligible for an application fee waiver.**

**When:** Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm PST

**MT. SEYMOUR APPRENTICE INSTRUCTOR PROGRAM:**

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

**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.

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

**Cost:** \$199

**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 8<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, every Saturday from 10:00am - 12:30pm

**Cost:** \$399

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

**When:** Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 7:00pm

**U OF ALBERTA GETAWAY:**

**For:** Grade 11 students only

**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**

**When:** Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Deadline to apply:** Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**UBC: ARCHIMEDES TALKS: \*\*NEW\*\***

**What:** Three talks that will feature a variety of scientists and mathematicians, as well as undergraduate engineering teams that work on rockets, autonomous sailboats, and robots that play soccer.

**For:** High school students interested in math and science

**Where:** All talks will take place at UBC's Vancouver campus – in Irving K. Barber Learning Centre Rm 261

**When:** Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Cost:** \$15.00 (covers all three talks and lunches)

**GRADE 10 UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO FAMILY NIGHT:**

**What:** If you're in Grade 10 and planning to attend university, you and your parents are invited to this online event to learn what you can do now to prepare.

**When:** Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, from 3:00pm – 4:30pm PST

**KPU FUTURE BUSINESS CONFERENCE: \*\*NEW\*\***

**For:** Grades 11 and 12 high school students interested in business competition

**Prizes:**

- 1st Place Team: \$1000 tuition award + \$50 Visa Gift card for each member of the team
- 2nd Place Team: \$50 Visa Gift card for each member of the team
- 3rd Place Team: \$25 Visa Gift card for each member of the team

**When:** Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 10:00am – 4:00pm

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO: LAW MARCH BREAK WEEK (VIRTUAL):**

**For:** Grades 10-12 students

**Runs:** Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Cost:** \$800 CAD + \$98 registration fee

**Deadline:** No formal deadline – open until spots are filled

**VOLUNTEER / WORK EXPERIENCE****STEPPING4WORDS – MATH TUTOR (PAID): \*\*NEW\*\***

**Where:** On St. John's St (5 min walk from Port Moody Secondary School)

**Commitment:** Approx. 12 hours per week after school hours

**Apply:** [info@stepping4words.com](mailto:info@stepping4words.com) with a cover letter

**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- 24<sup>th</sup>, with hours available from 12:00pm – 9:00pm

**SUNSHINE SOCIETY:**

**For:** All high school students

**Positions available:** Chair member, environmental team member, social media marketer, website design member, internal communications member, external communications member, grant writer and campaign manager

**Deadline to apply:** Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

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

**For:** Students aged 16+

**When:** Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup> – Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, from 9:00am – 3:00pm

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

**SCHOLARSHIPS / AWARDS**

**7BINARYOPTIONS SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST:**

**For:** Anyone 16+

**Value:** \$3000

**Deadline:** Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

**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 15<sup>th</sup>

**2021-2022 FRENCH FUTURE NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:**

**For:** Grades 10-12 students

**Value:** Ranges from \$1k - \$20k

**Deadline:** Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

**BC COWBOY HERITAGE SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS: \*\*NEW\*\***

**Value:** \$500.00

**Deadline:** Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

**JANUARY MARIE LAPUZ YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD:**

**For:** Anybody 16+ that has been dedicated to helping the 2SLGBTQ+ community

**Value:** Up to \$1000 in awards

**Deadline:** Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

**MINI-MED SCHOLARSHIP:**

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

**Value:** \$1000

**Deadline:** Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**JOHN EVANS ENGINEERING ENTRANCE AWARD:**

**Value:** \$5000.00

**Deadline:** Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**2022 STEAM HORIZON AWARDS:**

**Value:** \$25,000

**Deadline:** Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**WESTERN UNIVERSITY NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP:**

**\*\*This scholarship requires school nomination.**

**Value:** Up to \$72,000

**School nomination deadline:** Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 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 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**SOROPTIMIST BEA KELLY AWARD AND THE SPREAD YOUR WINGS AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**Value:** Varies

**Deadline:** Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022



**SPEAT BC ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP:**

\*\*Domestic AND International Students can apply!

**Value:** \$1000

**Deadline:** Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**THE HOME DEPOT: THE HOMER FUND – ORANGE SCHOLARS:**

**For:** Dependents of hourly p/t or f/t Home Depot associates

**Value:** Up to \$2500

**Deadline:** Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**YVR EMERGING ARTIST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: \*\*NEW\*\***

**For:** BC and Yukon First Nations artists who are between the ages of 17 and 29 years and who reside in BC or the Yukon

**Value:** \$5000

**Deadline:** Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 4:00pm

**DB PERKS AND LIFE SAVING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP:**

**For:** Grade 12's that are active lifeguards

**Value:** \$1000.00

**Deadline:** Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**AMAZON CANADA FIRST NOVEL AWARD: YOUTH SHORT STORY CATEGORY: \*\*NEW\*\***

**For:** Anyone aged 13-17

**Value:** \$5000 and a mentorship lunch with editors of The Walrus

**Deadline:** Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:**

**For:** Open to students under the age of 19 as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**KIN CANADA BURSARY:**

**Value:** \$1000

**Deadline:** Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**COQUITLAM FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARIES:**

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

**Deadline:** (For all scholarships) Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**PARACHUTE: STACEY LEVITT AWARD: \*\*NEW\*\***

**For:** Any Canadian citizen or landed immigrant currently attending a Canadian Secondary School

**Value:** \$2500

**Deadline:** Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**BCSTA SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**Value:** \$500

**Deadline:** Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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## **PARENTS**

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

**NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> 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.**

Hello PMSS families, friends and relatives,

We have had a successful launch of the FUNDSCRIP gift card-fundraising campaign raising funds for the 2022 graduating class at PMSS. Our initial response has been strong.

As of Thursday December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021, you can purchase gift cards directly from the FUNDSCRIP site and have them delivered to your own home at any time – think graduation, birthdays, weddings, friend’s day, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, Grandparents Day. With this new purchase option, a percentage of all gift cards will still go towards helping to fund the PMSS 2022 After Grad celebration in June 2022.

Here is the link to the online site: <https://www.fundscrip.com/support-a-group/6TMMSM>

You will use the Direct Shipping or E Gift Cards or Reloadable options. This will allow you great flexibility in ordering.

Please feel free to share this information with friends and families near and far. Every gift card purchase will bring us closer to being able to host an afterward event in June 2022.

Thank you for supporting the 2022 PMSS graduating class by purchasing your gift cards through this platform.

**Meijane Quong** on behalf of the Port Moody After Grad Committee



**ECO-FRIENDLY LAUNDRY DETERGENT FUNDRAISER:** Got dirty laundry? Get it clean with this 2022 PMSS Grad Class fundraiser. Purchase 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:

<https://fundraising.tru.earth/PMSSAfterGrad2022>

