



# THUNDER NEWS

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We are now mid-way through January and almost mid-way through the school year. The end of 1st semester is fast approaching. Students and teachers are working hard to finish the semester on a positive note. We are all working hard to make sure we meet our school's academic goal: "More students being more successful in more courses". Students need to make an extra effort these last couple of weeks. Please note, the grade 8 academic courses are year-long, not one semester.

In addition to all of the classwork, there is a lot going on at both campuses. Highlights include:

- Drama Productions - "Rumors"
- Performing Arts Electives Showcase
- Boys and Girls Basketball at many grade levels
- Rugby pre-season training
- Dry Grad fundraising events
- Student Leadership activities
- French Immersion Carnival
- Whistler Ski Trip
- 2nd Semester preparations

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## SEMESTER 1 IS ALMOST OVER!

With fewer mandatory Provincial Exams now, there is no need for an EXAM WEEK of no classes. All students will attend all regular blocks leading up to the end of Semester 1. The exceptions to this are those students who still have a Provincial Exam to write (mostly grade 12). A schedule of exams was emailed home earlier and is posted around the school. Teachers with students who are still writing a Provincial Exam are preparing the students now. They know the schedule. So here is what the last week of Semester 1 will look like:

- Monday, Jan 23rd - regular classes for all grades
- Tuesday, Jan 24th - regular classes for all except Grade 12s doing English 12 exam
- Wednesday, Jan 25th - regular classes for all grades except students doing an exam
- Thursday, Jan 26th - I-Day - all teachers available for all students who need to catch-up!
- Friday, Jan 27th - Turnaround Day - NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
- Monday, Jan 30th - First day of Semester 2

Grade 8 classes are year-long, not semester, but they follow the same schedule and calendar.

## SEMESTER 2 TIMETABLES

We will be handing out **NEW** timetables for students for 2nd Semester. While many students will have a similar 2nd

Semester to the timetable you saw in September there will likely be a few changes to many timetables. As mentioned in the fall, we had a lot of new registrations, we had to hire more staff, and we had to juggle student timetables. The same will be true for 2nd semester.

## NEXT YEAR

Watch for information coming soon about Course Selection Booklets. Students will be signing up **soon** for courses for the next school year.

## INCOMPLETE WORK – I-REPORTS

If you have recently received an "I" (incomplete) report from one of your son's or daughter's teachers, please help by ensuring that the missing work is completed and submitted by your child by the deadline date on the report. When the semester ends, the course is over.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, please contact the teacher or counsellor by email (see teacher's email addresses at the end of this newsletter) or phone your campus and schedule an appointment.

## COWICHAN THEATRE CLASS PRESENTS

Niel Simon's Rumors!  
Jan 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>  
Quamichan Theatre at 7pm  
Tickets \$10 for adults, \$5 for students  
***Mature language***

## CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE

This is a reminder to please keep your child home if they have a contagious or infectious disease of any kind. We can prepare homework if needed, but we don't want to spread anything to others.

## ICE SAFETY

With this cold weather, here is some good info:  
[http://www.lifesaving.bc.ca/sites/default/files/Kids\\_on\\_Thin\\_Ice.pdf](http://www.lifesaving.bc.ca/sites/default/files/Kids_on_Thin_Ice.pdf)

## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Happy 2017 T-Bird Families!!**

We have one CSS PAC for the Dual Campus. The AGM & Budget meetings of the year were Oct and Nov respectively; decent turn outs, but we need more parents, and lots of input!

**Our next meeting, is now Feb 08, 7:00 p.m. in the Library at the Cowichan Campus (James Street).**

All parents of Cowichan Secondary School students (Grade 8-12) are automatically members of the Parent Advisory Council and are encouraged to attend.

**2016-17 PAC Executive:**

Chair: Sara Lowe  
Vice-Chair: Dawn Butler  
Treasurer: Caroline Kirman (DPAC Rep)  
Secretary: Sandi Urquhart

CSS PAC is always looking for new regulars to come out to the meetings. Meetings are once a month, usually on the second Wednesday of each month. Cowichan Secondary School PAC is NOT a fundraising PAC. Primarily we are here to help distribute funds allotted to the school, and help facilitate and enhance student opportunities, school needs and activities, in a fair & democratic but simple way. Please consider joining our next PAC Meeting. **Next meeting will be Feb 08<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (CSS)** followed by: Mar 8<sup>th</sup>(Quam), April 12<sup>th</sup>(CSS), May 10<sup>th</sup>(CSS-Cookie meeting), and June 14<sup>th</sup>(Quam) 2017.

CSS PAC Email is [csspac@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:csspac@sd79.bc.ca)  
CSS PAC Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mtppac/> (or Search for "Cowichan Secondary School – PAC")  
CSS PAC Page: <http://css.sd79.bc.ca/index.php/parent-advisory-council> PAC meetings and Social Media pages, help us know what is going on at school.... because our kids may no longer tell us! Which means...This is a group to share events, news, ideas and school docs, ask stuff, etc... We help support gaming applications by fundraising groups at the school, learn from presentations and about opportunities for travel and learning for the students, occasionally start committees where there is a need and put the word out for volunteer opportunities within the school community.

**DRY GRAD COMMITTEE**

**Happy New Year!!!**

As most of you know, traditionally the parents of the Grade 12 graduating students organize a Dry Grad celebration for the students. Dry Grad is just one night where Grads can hang out with their friends and make a lasting memory, without drugs or alcohol, in a safe and fun environment. The Dry Grad celebration follows the **"Walk Up Ceremony," on June 29<sup>th</sup>**.

A group of volunteer parents have been spending their time since September, organizing and partaking in fundraisers and meetings for this awesome event. It has been a great opportunity to form community while getting to know some of the grad parents! Newcomers are ALWAYS welcome to the meetings!! First Monday of the Month Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3... Your time is very valuable and we would truly appreciate it.

The success of our fundraising efforts is completely dependent upon active Grade 12-parent involvement. It is our pleasure as committee members to plan and implement fundraising events for dry grad. We feel fortunate that we are able to work together to provide an amazing evening for our kids. It is imperative now that we all work together to ensure our grads get a fantastic dry grad event!

We are completely aware that not every parent has the time to be a part of the Dry Grad Committee. This being said we would like to offer you a few opportunities to participate in other ways. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

**1. "Like" "Share" and Follow our Fundraising Events on our Facebook Page and Facebook Group:**  
[https://www.facebook.com/cssdrygrad/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/cssdrygrad/?ref=page_internal)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cssdrygrad/>

**2. If you own or work at a business, you can offer services or product to support our fundraising endeavors. Email:**  
[cssdrygrad@gmail.com](mailto:cssdrygrad@gmail.com)

**3. Last but not least you can contribute financially by making a Monetary Donation. \$ This is a preferred way to help take a bit of the pressure off of the Dry Grad Committee**

HERE'S HOW: \$25 \$50 \$75 or \$100  
you can pay with:  
CASH (leave at office in an envelope marked dry grad)  
CHEQUE (Make payable to css dry grad, leave at office))  
e-transfer ([cssdrygrad@gmail.com](mailto:cssdrygrad@gmail.com))

**GRAD COUNCIL**

(Sponsored by Ms. Blacklock, Ms. Cizeron, Ms. Rowan)

Grad Council 2017 is off to a great start! Campaigns, speeches, and elections were held, and this year's council members are:

**PRESIDENT:** Laura Snelling  
**VICE - PRESIDENT:** Darlene Gitaari  
**SECRETARY:** Makenzie English  
**TREASURER:** Cara Baudin  
**COMMUNICATORS:** Ashton Aumen and Jenna Howard  
**DECORATORS:** Syan Johnson and Eve Truhn

Grad Council meets every Wednesday at lunch in Room 216.

**LEADERSHIP**

**GSA**

We have a GSA (Gay-Straight Alliance, and sometimes known as Gender and Sexuality Alliance) at the James Street campus.

Our next meeting is Friday, January 20th at lunch in room 48. Everyone is welcome! GSAs play a vital role in making schools safer for LGBTQ students by providing supportive and accepting spaces. GSAs also do broad organizing work against homophobia and transphobia in school.

**Leadership 11/12**

Peggys, the school-wide tag game, is on now! Students playing along have a bracelet with the name of another player they need to "peg", and then get their bracelet. They try to peg that person, collect their bracelet, and so on... the student with the most bracelets at the end of the game wins!

Also coming in early February - **Matchmaker!** Students fill out questionnaires about themselves, and then on Valentine's Day for \$2 can purchase a list of their ideal matches. All funds raised will be donated to charity.

**GRAD TRANSITIONS**

All Grade 12 students have now received their Grad Transition package (if you haven't, please print off from the school website or pick up one from Career Center). Graduation Transitions is a 4-Credit requirement that **must** be completed in order for a student to graduate. No mark is assigned. Students will receive an RM (requirements met) upon completion. For more information contact an administrator, the Counseling Department, or the Career Center. You can also check out the Ministry of Education website: [Grad Requirements](#)

To download a Grad Transition form, please visit this link:  
<http://css.sd79.bc.ca/media/CCGradTransitionsPackage.pdf>  
All B.C. secondary school students must complete Graduation

Transitions. Graduation Transitions are intended to prepare students for a successful transition to life after secondary school. In order to meet this goal, Graduation Transitions encourages students to:

- Take ownership of their own health and learning
- Examine and demonstrate connections between their learning and their future
- Create a plan for their growth and development as skilled, healthy, knowledgeable, participating citizens
- Exhibit attributes of a model B.C. graduate

All B.C. secondary school students must demonstrate they have met the following requirements for:

- Personal Health - maintain a personal health plan and participate in at least 150 minutes per week of moderate to vigorous physical activity.
- Community Connections - participate in at least 30 hours of work experience and/or community service and describe what was learned.
- Career and Life - complete a transition plan and present significant accomplishments.

Another aspect consists of students having a Grad Transition Conversation with a guest of their choice, usually a teacher or administrator here at the school.

Grad Transition Conversation Dates:

- **Last names beginning with A, B, L, and M: Thursday, January 19**
- **C, D, N-R: Thursday, February 23**
- **E, F, G, S, T: Thursday, April 13**
- **H-K, U-Z: Thursday, May 11**

If you wish to do your conversation on a different date other than what you have been assigned to above, no problem! Please reschedule on the sign up sheet on clipboard in Careers Center. Each grade 12 student has a "Blue" sheet they need to complete and bring to their conversation, as well as instructions for setting up their portfolio in [myblueprint.ca](http://myblueprint.ca) - they can see Ms. Mann in the Careers Center if they need another copy, or they can print it from the school website.

### EARLY GRADS

Did you know it's possible to graduate early? Yes, it is possible to complete three years' worth of grad credits in less than three years. Each year we have a handful of students who plan for this option. Again, at the end of this semester, we will say good-bye to several students who have chosen to finish early. Most of them plan to come back for Grad Banquet and Walk-Up in June. We wish our Early Grads well. Good luck!

### CAREER CENTRE NEWS

The Career Center is located across the hall from the main office and we are open from 8:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m. Ms. Blacklock, Career Facilitator and the Career Assistant, can provide you with information and assistance in the following areas:

- Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Dual Credit Courses in partnership with VIU and Camosun
- Work Experience Opportunities
- Certificate Training (Food Safe etc.)
- Job Search, including Resume & Cover Letters
- National Scholarship Opportunities
- Career Exploration
- Grad Transition Program

### CAREER CENTER ON-LINE

Information from the Career Center is now available on-line at our website at <http://www.sd79.bc.ca> Click on Schools-Secondary Schools-Cowichan Secondary-Student Services.

Please watch for the **Career Newsletter - January Issue** to be posted to the website in January. The Career Newsletter is filled with important dates and information including the following:

*January 17, 2017 - Food Safe Level 1*

*January 19, 2017 - Grad Transitions Conversations - Grads with last name that start with A, B, L & M*

*February 7, 2017 - P.A.R.T.Y. Program - Cowichan District Hospital (Grade 10's only)*

*February 21, 2017 - VIU Discovery Days (Grade 10's only)*

### P.A.R.T.Y Program

The P.A.R.T.Y. Program is offered to grade 10 students at 10 sites across the Island Health region, who tour the hospital to learn about real life physical trauma from those who witness it first-hand.

The students meet volunteers from various health care and related professions (such as BCAS and RCMP) and crash survivors as they experience the pathway of a seriously injured patient, from the crash site through to rehabilitation.

This reality education provides information to young people that will enable the participants to recognize potential injury producing situations, to make informed choices and to adopt behaviours that minimize injury risk. The purpose of the program is to educate teens about what is safe, taking personal responsibility, and making smart choices.

Students learn that crashes are not accidents and that traumatic injury can be prevented. They learn the consequences of not wearing a seat belt, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, and distracted driving—consequences such as permanent brain or spinal cord injury, burns, paralysis and death.

Cowichan Secondary students will have the opportunity to attend this presentation on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. Permission forms and more information to follow closer to the date. For more information, please contact the Careers Centre.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Please encourage your child to check the bulletin boards inside and outside the Career Center. National scholarships are posted in the Career Center Monthly Newsletter too. Check it out and stay informed!

There are new national scholarships posted regularly in the Career Center. Please encourage your student to check frequently for these opportunities.

Counsellors and Administrators will be going over the local scholarship process with all Grade 12's sometime in February. Also, there will be a Parent Night for Scholarship information, Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 7 pm in the library.

## T-BIRD ATHLECTICS UPDATE

**Gr. 8 Girls Basketball:** (Sandeep Heer) - The junior girls basketball team is currently in the middle of the season. Currently the team is undefeated in league play and are preparing for the provincial qualifier. Cowichan Secondary Junior girls basketball team is hosting an 8 team provincial qualifying tournament January 27th and 28th.

**Gr. 8 Boys Basketball:** (Alex Dodd)

**Jr. Girls Basketball:** (Wendy Charles/James Cutt):

**Senior Boys' Basketball:** (Lucky Walia) – Sr. Boys have played in four tournaments so far, now entering league play this month, hosting Dover Bay on January 19, 7pm.

**Junior Boys' Basketball:** (Lucky Walia) - Jr. Boys are hosting two tournaments this month, January 13/14, and January 27/28.

**Junior Boys' B Basketball:** (Lucky Walia) – Jr. Boys B have been playing league games. Hosting games on January 17 & 19, tip at 5.30pm.

**Girls Rugby:** (Brad/Alanna Skene, Scott Jackson) – The girls 1st practice of 2017 is Friday Jan 13th. After this the team trains Tuesday morning before school and Wednesday and Friday 3:45-5:15.

**Boys Rugby:** (Tom Fogarty) – The boys got off to a great start with an awesome coaching clinic this past Wednesday... Special thanks to Mr Glass for making that happen. Preseason weight training will continue for the next few weeks until the field is usable - this is on Wednesday's after school in the weight room from 3.30 to 4.30. Everyone is welcome!

**CSS Mountain Bike Club:** (James Cutt) - The **advanced mountain bike club** rides continue every Monday from 4 to 5pm on Mt. Tzouhalem, starting and ending at the water tower parking lot. The **beginner/intermediate bike** club rides for January and February are: Wednesday, January 18 at Cliffs Road in Duncan. Wednesday, February 1 and 15 - location TBA. Please email James Cutt at [jcutt@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:jcutt@sd79.bc.ca) if you are planning to join any of the above rides.

**Girls Ice Hockey:** (Mike Moroz) - Our Female Ice Hockey Thunderbirds are running a fun event at ISC on Feb. 15th designed to introduce existing and first time female hockey players to the Thunderbird Hockey program. Do you already play and want to get more ice time? Great, then Thunderbird Hockey is for you. Did you play hockey, but don't anymore? Thunderbird Hockey is for you. Have you always wanted to try the game but thought it was too late? Then Thunderbird Hockey is for you too! The event is free for current Cowichan Secondary School students, and \$5 for non-Cowichan students, but we do need you to register as space is limited. Contact [mmoroz@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:mmoroz@sd79.bc.ca) to reserve your spot! Here's a weblink to a **great** story about the event, <http://www.cowichanvalleycitizen.com/sports/410313775.html>

**Jr. Boys Ice Hockey:** (Mike Moroz)

**Girls & Boys Wrestling:** (Nic Zubak) - Team is training Monday and Wednesday nights through the CV Wrestling club.

**Girls & Boys Swimming:** (Sandi Urquhart) - Team is training Tuesday and Thursday. Practices start this Thursday Oct 1<sup>st</sup> from 7-8am at the CAC Pool.

## YEARBOOK



**Yearbooks are \$55 and can be ordered at the main office.**

Yearbooks order forms are available in the main office. Do not miss out!

## BAND

Thank you to all Concert Band and other performers that took part in our Winter Concerts! We had great turnouts and fantastic performances.

Band students will soon be selling coffee and chocolates to support their spring Band Tour in Vancouver. Support your friends!

We already have our first performance on January 14th at 7:00pm at Duncan Christian Reformed Church for the Ross Memorial Concert: admission by donation.

We have two festivals coming up at the end of February and beginning of March too! Let's keep the music going!

## GREEN FIELD TRIPS

The Community Classroom is working to collect 30 bikes for students at Cowichan Secondary to use as green transportation for field trips. Our goal is to make field trips greener, cheaper and more physically active. Thanks to the generous support of Cycle Therapy we are half way there! So, if you have an adult sized bike you no longer need, we've got a home for it. Bike donations can be dropped off at the front office of our James Street campus.

## KNITTING BLANKETS FOR CHARITY

It's very cold outside, so we've decided to spread a little warmth. Students in the Community Classroom are knitting blankets to give to the needy in the valley. You could help us by donating your unused knitting needles and yarns to our project. Donations can be dropped off at the front office of our James Street campus.

## KRISPY KREME DONUTS SALE

Help us raise a little dough! On Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> the students from the Explore! Class and the Community Classroom will be selling Kripsy Kreme Donuts at the Duncan Walmart Store (on Drinkwater) to help cover field trip costs. Sales start at 10:00 am and end at 3:00 pm. Students will be selling delicious original glaze donuts at \$10 for a dozen. Supplies are limited, so come early so as to not be disappointed!

## LOCKS, LOCKS & SECURITY

As always, we remind students to keep valuables in their locker and to NOT give out locker combos. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



The Cowichan Valley School District's International Student Program is looking for families who would like to host a student. We have long term and short term winter, spring and summer hosting opportunities. **We are currently looking for home stay families for 2016-17 school year.** Criminal record checks are required for all adults (18 years old and older) residing in your home.

### To be a host family, you must:

- Be willing to provide emotional, social and academic support
- Be open to new cultural experiences
- Integrate your student into your family life and share activities together
- Have transportation and the ability to pick up students occasionally
- Provide a private bedroom with a desk, dresser and closet
- Provide healthy meals and snacks

Families are paid \$200 per week/\$800 per month. To find out more about our program email me, call our office or visit our website at <http://isp.sd79.bc.ca/apply-now/homestay/>.

Cheryl Fotos  
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## WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSURES

As the temperatures begin to fall, the possibility of snow and icy road conditions becomes an increasing possibility. This is just a reminder that in keeping with SD 79 Policy, the closure of schools and/or the suspension of school bus service for weather related reasons will be made by the Superintendent of School in consultation with the Board.

The decision to close schools and/or suspend school bus service is determined by 6:00 am. The Superintendent will contact radio and TV stations to inform the station as to whether schools will be closed and/or due to impassable or dangerous road conditions, school buses will not run.

Parents may tune in to any of the following radio stations to confirm whether schools are open and school buses are running. Radio Station **JUICE-FM 89.7 Duncan, CBC FM (90.5), CFX AM (1070) and VI-TV** will be notified by 6:00 am. Parents may also check the **School District website** [www.sd79.bc.ca](http://www.sd79.bc.ca) for updates.

During inclement weather conditions, parents are advised to exercise their own judgment in determining if their children should remain at home when travel to school presents a potential safety hazard.

## POWER OUTAGES

In case of power outage during school hours, after 15 minutes, the Principal, will contact the school board office to inform them of the outage. Usually the power outage is solved in 2 hours or less. Once the problem is known, the principal will be advised of the time frame.

The superintendent at the Board Office will decide if students are sent home early or if parents/guardians are to be advised to come and pick up their children. Students are not sent home from school unless authorized by the superintendent.

## TRANSPORTATION

The School District Transportation Department has a presence on Twitter: <http://www.Twitter.com> for our bus transportation. Search "TransportSD79" and you will find us. Follow us and set your preferences to receive a text message every time we post something to this site. Our intended audience is Principals, Vice-Principals, parents and students. We will use this medium to advise our followers when a bus will be late or when we announce revised schedules.

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

School District #79 (Cowichan Valley) Board of Education does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities. Participation in this program is voluntary and the costs are to be paid by the parent or guardian.

If you wish to subscribe on-line, the web page is [www.insuremykids.com](http://www.insuremykids.com) Or call 1-800463-KIDS (5437)

## GIBBY'S CAFÉ AT COWICHAN SECONDARY

### Cowichan Secondary

### HAPPY NEW YEAR

We offer daily BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SPECIALS!

Breakfast \$5.00 includes juice box or coffee.

Lunch special only \$6.00 everyday!

Daily soup and a bun \$3.50.

Homemade soup and sandwich \$6.50

### **YES - WE TAKE DEBIT!!!!**

Plus...we have a full breakfast and lunch **menu** to choose from!  
**COME CHECK US OUT – YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID.**  
Check posters/boards in the school (or in the Cafe) for daily info!!

## CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

Parents may make arrangements to meet with or contact a teacher or administrator in a variety of ways. Often the best way is to email us. See Staff Email List at the end of this **newsletter**.

In person:                      During office hours: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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### **Web Site**

<http://css.sd79.bc.ca>

If you have any questions about your child, it is always best to contact the Advisor or individual teachers directly. In addition, please feel free to contact an administrator or counselor at either campus.

### **Staff Email List – Dual Campus**

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### January

2	Mon	Winter Break – No School
3	Tues	New Block Rotation - DCBA
4	Wed	Grade 8 Rotation 3
11	Wed	PLC – 2hr Early Dismissal
11	Wed	PAC 7pm – Quam
26	Thurs	I-Day
27	Fri	Turn Around Day
30	Mon	Semester 2
30	Mon	New Block Rotation - ABCD

### February

2	Thurs	District Carnival
6-8	Mon-Wed	Grad Photo retakes
8	Wed	PAC 7pm – James St.
9	Thurs	Early Dismissal (1/2 day)
13	Mon	Family Day- No School
17	Fri	Grade 8 rotation 4
24	Fri	Pro D day – No school

### March

3	Fri	Winter Activity Day – Quamichan
6	Mon	New Block Rotation - CDAB
8	Wed	PAC 7pm – Quam
13-17	Mon-Fri	School Closure
20-24	Mon-Fri	Spring Break

### April

6	Thurs	Early Dismissal 1hr
6	Thurs	Provincial Exams
7	Fri	Staff Development Day–No School
12	Wed	Early Dismissal PLC – 2hrs
12	Wed	PAC 7pm – James St.
14	Fri	Good Friday – No School
17	Mon	Easter Monday – No School
19	Wed	I-Day
24	Mon	Term 4
24	Mon	New Block rotation - BADC
26	Wed	Quamichan Open house, Gr 7
27	Thurs	Gr 8 rotation 5
28	Fri	Quamichan Track Meet

### May

5	Fri	Pro D Day
10	Wed	Early Dismissal 2hr
10	Wed	PAC 7pm – James St
11	Thur	Provincial Exams
12	Fri	Provincial Exams
22	Mon	Victoria Day – No School
29	Mon	New Block rotation - DCBA

### June

7	Wed	Scholarship Bursary Night 7pm
8	Thur	Daytime Awards Assembly Gr 10-12
13	Tues	Athletic Banquet
14	Wed	PAC 7pm - Quam
17	Sat	Grad Banquet
26	Mon	Term 4 ends
27	Tues	I-Day
28	Wed	I-Day
29	Thur	I-Day
29	Thur	Grad Walkup