



**COWICHAN SECONDARY**

# **COWICHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL'S FRIDAY FILE**

**Friday, October 16**

# Important Dates and Events

- Friday, Oct. 23 – Provincial Pro-D Day (no classes)
- Wednesday, Oct. 28 – One Hour Early Dismissal (PLC)
- November 3-5 – All Grade 11 students to write the Graduation Numeracy Assessment in Block A.
- Tuesday, November 10 – Photo Retakes
- Tuesday, November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly – will be done in class this year.
- Wednesday, Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day holiday (no school)
- Friday, November 13 – Last Day of Quarter 1
- Monday, November 16 – First Day of Quarter 2

# Career Life Connections 11 and Capstone (grade 12 students)

- At this point all grade 11 students should have completed and submitted September's components:
  - Updated Resume
  - Cover Letter
  - Smart Goals worksheet.

Components of October are:

- Health and Safety in the Workplace (Work Experience Unit 1)
- Fitness Goal set for the first two quarters
- Time Management Strategy

Grade 12 Students:

- The proposal and mentor letter are due at the end of the month

# From Our Transportation Department

The Transportation Department will be holding Bus Evacuation Drills on afternoon bus runs on Wednesday, October 21st. These drills will be performed at the school where the bus departs fully loaded. These drills are important to better prepare our students and staff in the event of an emergency. The driver will instruct the students on how to unload and move to a designated safe spot as a group in a safe and orderly fashion. These drills may delay afternoon drop-off times by approximately 15 minutes. The Transportation Manager can answer all questions by email at [transportationmanager@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:transportationmanager@sd79.bc.ca) or by phone at 250-748-0321 ext 275.



# 2020-2021 Yearbooks are now available for pre-sale!

Don't miss out on the Yearbook that will document that most interesting year that we have had so far. We will have the usual Grad photos and quotes, photos of all of us but also some in-depth reporting of the 2020-2021 school year.

\$40 - Pay at the office with cash,  
cheque, credit or debit.



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# Graduation Numeracy Assessment

On November 3-5 all grade 11 students will be writing the Graduation Numeracy Assessment 10. Typically, this is written in a student's grade 10 but with the school closure last school year, this year's grade 11 students still must write it.

This assessment is a requirement for graduation and is based on mathematical concepts learned across multiple subjects from kindergarten to Grade 10, with an emphasis on K–9. This assessment is based on a proficiency scale from emerging (1) to extending (4) and is not blended with their course grade; it shows up separately on their Government transcript. There are no failing grades for this assessment.

Please use either of the links below to find out more information on this assessment:

[https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/sites/curriculum.gov.bc.ca/files/pdf/Graduation\\_Numeracy\\_Brochure.pdf](https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/sites/curriculum.gov.bc.ca/files/pdf/Graduation_Numeracy_Brochure.pdf)

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

## IEP Committee Volunteers Requested

The IEP committee was established in 2019 by DPAC as a way to support families of kids with special needs or learning challenges. Many of these kids have an IEP (individual education plan) - hence the name of the committee. However, the workshops were open to all families of SD 79.

In the 2019 / 2020 school year, the IEP committee hosted two events before the pandemic hit: Understanding an IEP workshop co-hosted Shelley Moore's presentation on why inclusion matters in education. This year we are working to expand the Committee's membership and hope to have representatives from all of our schools in the district.

We have a Zoom meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 6:30pm. We will use the time to brainstorm initiatives and goals for the school year. It will also give you a chance to learn more about the committee and share your thoughts.

Topic: IEP Committee Meeting

Time: Oct 22, 2020 06:30 PM Vancouver

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/68199276125?pwd=Ui92VFRJWlJpN3FSSEp6SUt5MVptZz09>

Meeting ID: 681 9927 6125

Passcode: c#TVkV6^



## Ms. Donnelly's Photography 11/12



Students in this class were to photograph pictures of Duncan as we see it today. all of these photos were taken by Eleanor Jingwen Liu



# Donations for our Environmental Stewardship Program Requested

Our Environmental Stewardship program requests the following donations if possible:

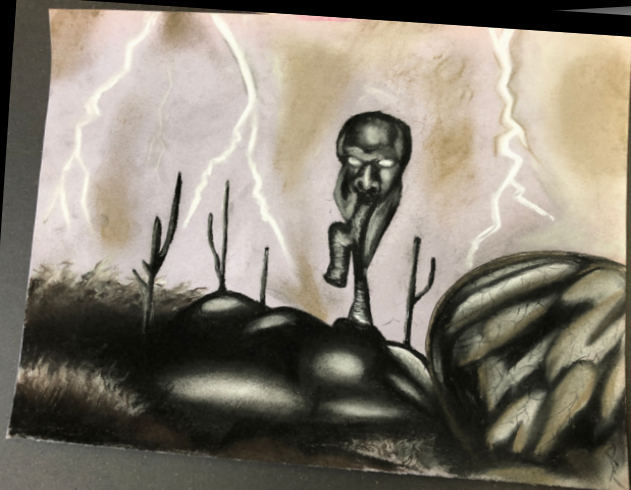
- Tape Measures - 30 m
- Hip Chains
- Survey Staffs
- Stopwatches
- Folding Metre Stick
- 20L Buckets
- Magnifying Glasses
- Clinometers
- Flagging Tape
- Thermometers (armored)
- Waders
- Large Plastic containers with lids (150+ L)

It has been fantastic seeing the engagement and hands on learning in this program. If you would like to donate any above, please contact Mr. Lofto at [jlofto@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:jlofto@sd79.bc.ca) or Ms. Veraflores at [jveraflores@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:jveraflores@sd79.bc.ca).



## Ms. Moore's Art 10 Class

Students explored charcoal, conté, nupastels and chalk pastels.



# Extra-Curricular Volleyball

Volleyball at Cow High looks a little different this year with the COVID protocols, but the players have been enthusiastic and wonderful to work with.







## PICTURE OF THE WEEK

Harold Joe doing an oil change in Auto Tech 11/12.

Harold, it looks like you're holding up the car!!