

COWICHAN SECONDARY SCHOOL'S FRIDAY FILE

OCTOBER 23, 2020

Important Dates and Events

- 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 Ceremony will be done in class via Zoom 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
- Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 PAC Meeting
- Wednesday, November 25 One hour Early Dismissal (PLC)
- Wednesday, November 25 Quarter 1 Report Cards issued to students.
- Friday, December 18 Last day of classes before Winter Break.

Graduation Numeracy Assessment

From November 3-5 all grade 11 students will be writing the Provincial Graduation Numeracy Assessment. Normally, this is written in grade 10 but these students were to scheduled to write this in April last school year. Due to the school closure, they were unable to do this.

A few things to know about this assessment:

- All students must write this prior to graduation.
- There is no pass or fail. Students are assessed on a four point proficiency scale.
- The mark is not blended with any subject. Students will receive a mark of 1-4 on their transcript.
- The Numeracy Assessment is not a "Math Exam". Rather, it is an assessment of numerical concepts learned across many subject areas from grade K-9.
- Students are able to retake this in order to upgrade their proficiency score.
- Grade 11 students had an information session in their A block classes on Thursday. Many A block teachers plan to continue preparing students for this.
- Students can prepare at home using the following resources:

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

https://www.awinfosys.com/eassessment/gradassessments_sample.htm

Student Face Masks

A reminder that students are to wear face masks in the hallways and In any common areas that they cannot physically distance.

Each student has been given two reusable face masks. If your child is in need of another one, please have him or her see Mr. van der Linden as we have a few extras in the main office.



NEWS FROM THE DRY GRAD PARENT COMMITTEE

Urgent Deadline: Grads Have The Chance to Choose Grad Celebration Date

All of the graduates who have submitted their contact info to us have been sent a Survey Monkey link. This is their opportunity to give input for potential event dates. Unfortunately, the date we had originally wanted (June 19th) is not available.

Please talk to your graduates and remind them to check their email inboxes, junk folders and trash.

Friday, October 23rd at midnight is the deadline to get their responses in. The Survey Monkey is the only way to have their preference considered.

If they did NOT receive the email, if they have not reached out to us with their own personal contact info, please remind them to send us an email to this address (with their name, email address, telephone number and confirm to us that they are a Gr. 12 student)

Thank you for your help!

More info on next slide......

Dry Grad Conitinued......Parent Connection:

Throughout the year we will have important information to share with you as parents and grads.

The school is not part of the Dry Grad Celebration, so we need to contact you directly.

Please share your contact information and connect to us as follows:

Send an e-mail to cssdrygrad@gmail.com with your:

Name, Email address, Phone number and student's name

AND

Join the Facebook Group (parents only):

Cowichan Secondary Dry Grad Parent Group 2021

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

AND

Like the Facebook Public Page (everyone welcome):

Cowichan Secondary Dry Grad 2021

https://www.facebook.com/cssdrygrad

AND

Follow us on Instagram: www.instagram.com/cssdrygrad

You are **not** obligated to volunteer for anything if you send us your info. It is only a communication connection.

For More Information:

Email: <u>cssdrygrad@gmail.com</u>

Janyse Gordon (Committee Co-Chair) – 250-709-8836 (Cell/Text)

Sue Plester (Committee Co-Chair) – 250-416-1023 (Cell/Text)

The Cow High Writing Club

The Cow High Writing Club met for the first time this school year. We meet every Tuesday at lunch in Ms McKenzie's room (202). Interested in writing stories? Come join us.













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Students used a reaction chamber and an inverted test tube to collect, analyze and identify gas products from chemical reactions.

