



This Week in the Dog House



<http://belmont.sd62.bc.ca/>

February 8 to February 12, 2016

Keep your calendar clear for our Open house! Wednesday, February 17th It is a chance to showcase our programs for all parents both current and new. A special meeting will be held for new parents coming into grade nine. View the school, meet the staff and learn about all the great courses and programs - Everyone Welcome!

Course Handbook and Course Forms are found online.

<http://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/parents/course-selection-2016-17/>

The attached calendar outlines when we will be actively visiting classrooms for the choices to be made.

MONDAY, February 8th - Ms. Fulton

- AM Supervision - M. Evans/ Bain/ Christ-Rowling/ Frodsham/ Wilson/ Chan/ Kind
- Bus Supervision - Erickson & Tolman
- Family Day - School closed
- Chinese New Year

TUESDAY, February 9th - Mr. McHugh

- AM Supervision - Beattie/ Lusk/ Haupt/ Sawatzky/ Nicholson/ Boyte/ Stee/ Choma
- Bus Supervision - Sandberg & Barrick
- Valentine's Flower & Candy Grams on Sale
- School Wide Celebration of Chinese New Year with Chow Mein @ lunch
- New Year Celebration in Ms. Boyte's room during Block A (Belmont Ambassadors & Intercultural Certificate students welcome)
- Gr. 11 Class Visits, Block C
- Gr. 10 Transition Assembly in Belmont Theatre @ 9:10 - 10:00 am
- Jr. & Sr. Boy's Rugby Practice @ 3:45-5:30 @ Goudy Field
- Staff Meeting afterschool in the Learning Commons
- PAC @ 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, February 10th - Ms. Fulton

- AM Supervision - Vos-Guenter/ B. Brown/ Pampin/ Pampin/ Bendall/ Davis/ Willing/ McAleer
- Bus Supervision - Morrison & Jaswal
- Valentine's Flower & Candy Grams on Sale
- Girl's Rugby Practice @ 3:45-5:30 @ Goudy Field
- Jr. & Sr. Boy's Rugby Practice @ 3:45-5:30 @ Goudy Field

This week we focus on the grade 11 course selection for next year. Students will have classroom visits to make those choices

The **Junior girls' Basketball Team** wrapped up their regular season by defeating Oak Bay 44-25 in an all-round excellent team effort. Gracie May (14 points, 18 rebounds), Savannah Purdy (10 points, 10 rebounds, 6 assists) and Sydney Belton (11 points, 10 rebounds) paced the Bulldogs offensively, while Ashanti Whyte did a great job of running the team from her point guard position, and Devon Woolley and Jasmine Totzke each contributed a number of points and rebounds. Alyssa Paula, Paige Sutton, Kaley Campbell and Jena Janmohammed were defensive stalwarts. The girls open the city playoffs with a home game Tuesday after school against Stelly's.

Belmont's Contemporary Vocal Ensemble will be spending all day and evening on Tuesday Feb. 9 participating in the South Island Sings choral event in Victoria. The event culminates in a concert: Alix Goolden Hall - 7:00 pm - tickets \$5.

Gong Hey Fat Choy!!!!

Rugby - Attention all rugby players, and anyone still interested in playing rugby. Practice days have changed for Jr., and Sr. Boys. We now practice Tuesday and Thursday, at the same time 3:45 - 5:30. Girls continue to practice on Monday and Wednesday at the same time.

Belmont Open House:

Wednesday, February 17th

- 5:30 to 7:30 - Programs and Displays available for viewing
- 6:00 - New Academy information (theatre)
- 6:30 - Grade 8 parent's information session (gym)

More details to come!

Congratulations to Ms Amado and the students who attended the Model UN conference. The Gazette did a great job in showcasing our students and success!

<http://www.goldstreamgazette.com/eeditions/?id=i20160205044336526>

Planning 10 has a new classroom facility in room B210. There are computers to work on and the Planning teacher, Ms. Musy is available for assistance in blocks A, B and D. Should a student require use of the room during lunch, before or after school, please contact Ms. Musy and that can be arranged. The next assignment due is:

3.3B Communication Analysis
due Feb. 12

THURSDAY, February 11th - Mr. McHugh

- AM Supervision - Sanschagrín/ Lait/ Dawson/ Desrosiers / Phillips/ Grainger/ Mitchell/ Marseille
- Bus Supervision - Dube & Robertson
- Valentine's Flower & Candy Grams on Sale

FRIDAY, February 12th - Ms. Fulton

- AM Supervision - Feser/ Conway / Meijer / Maulsby/ Cullen/ London/ Amado
- Bus Supervision - T. Evans & Arkell
- Valentine's Flower & Candy Gram delivery

Coming Soon...

- Month of February - Rafiki Sale for Free the Children Foundation
- Feb 16 - Gr. 12 Assembly in theatre 9:10 - 10:00 am
- Feb 15 - 19 - Gr. 10 Class Visits, Block D
- Feb 17 - Open House to showcase our programs 5:30 - 7:30, New Academy Meeting at 6:00 in the theatre, Grade 8 parents meeting at 6:30
- Feb 17 - New Gr. 8 parent & student info evening in Belmont Gym @ 6:30
- Feb 17 - Sooke School District Career Exploration Evening/Career Fair held at Royal Bay Secondary School 6:30 to 8:30 pm
- Feb 19 - Non-Instructional Day
- Feb 19 - Band Retreat Day - Belmont
- Feb 20 - Drum Line Retreat Day - Belmont
- Feb 20 - "In Concert" Belmont Concert Band & Drum Line, with Special Guests Gr. Victoria Concert Band (Jazz Band & Senior Ensemble) @ 7 pm in the Belmont Theatre
- Feb 23 - Gr. 9 Transition Assembly in Belmont Theatre @ 9:10 - 10:00 am
- Mar 1 - 3 - Gr. 9 Class Visits, Block D
- Mar 2 Reach Out Psychosis Grade 12 Assembly @ 9:15am
- Mar 7 - 8 - BC Provincial Drum Line Competition in Abbotsford
- Mar 15-29 - Spring break
- Mar 30 - School open after spring break
- Apr 4 - Non Instructional Day (extra day #2)
- Apr 25 - 29 - Spring Spirit Week
- Apr 29 - 30 - 30 Hour Famine
- Late Apr-10,000 Tonight: Spring Edition with EMCS
- May 12th 7pm to 8:30 PM Freedom of Expression: Spoken Word, Music, Digital Art & Film.
- Jun 4/5 - Prom/SafeGrad
- Jun 12 - Graduation Ceremony 11:00 - 1:00

Where are Those Jobs for Youth? School District 62 is hosting a **Career Explorations Evening** on Wednesday, February 17th. Listen to presentations from guest speakers representing Island Health, Herold Engineering, Kinetic Construction and Skilled Trades Employment. The presentations will include labor market outlooks, employment forecasts for occupations in demand and will link the jobs to career path options. There will also be information on the many career related school and post-secondary programs that students can start while they are still in high school. After the presentations students and parents can enjoy refreshments while visiting the many exhibitor tables. Please see the attached poster for the exhibitor tables. **The Career Explorations Evening will be at Royal Bay Secondary School on February 17th from 6:30 pm to 8:30pm.**

Discover Tectoria Event - a one-day exposition showcasing Greater Victoria's technology firms and research agencies. The event will have 100 exhibits, local gaming companies, a popular video game lounge to try out products, a 'startup alley' to get the inside scoop on the next up-and-coming tech companies, a 'research district' to see innovative projects from UVic students and much more. Discover Tectoria is hosted by VIATeC on Friday February 19th from 11:00am to 6:00pm at Crystal Garden, 713 Douglas Street. The event is **FREE** for students and their parents. For more information go to <http://discovertectoria.com/>

There is a **Bottle Drive** being held at the school Feb.28: The **Victoria Volleyball Association's U-16 Black team**, featuring 9 students from Belmont, is hosting a bottle drive at the school on Feb.28, between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. We would love your support! Any questions please contact Mr. Toakley (mtoakley@sd62.bc.ca).

Students currently enrolled in gr 10 or 11, considering Medicine as a possible career path, or students currently enrolled in gr 10, 11 or 12 considering Law as a possible career path may be interested in the Youth Summer Programs, offered through the University of Toronto. Please see the following link for further information on the program and application process. <http://www.ysp.utoronto.ca/>

Reminder of up-coming post-secondary admission deadlines:

- **Camosun:** Application deadline is May 15 in order to be considered as a high school applicant
- **UVic** application for admission: Application deadline for September entry: Feb. 28 ****Check if your program requires supplemental application information**
 - Self-reporting: March 31
 - Scholarships: May 1
 - Housing: June 30
 - UBC** admission for September entry, online applications including the personal profile are due by 11:59 pm PST, January 31
 - Qualified students with significant financial need can apply for the UBC Centennial Scholars Entrance Award by Feb 1st.
 - February 15 deadline to apply for Language 11 exemption; see UBC website for clarification

**(1) Next Force Society Parent Meeting
Thursday Feb. 18th**

Anxiety: Anxiety disorders are the most common form of psychological problems reported and can interfere significantly in the lives of children.

This **Webinar** is presented by **Lynn D.**

Miller PhD, RPsych, Associate Professor in the Education and Counseling Psychology and Special Education department at UBC.

This talk will help to:

Increase awareness of the anxiety disorder spectrum,

Identify basic behavioral indicators of anxiety in children,

Develop a preliminary understanding of the current research,

Understand the efficacy of psychological treatment and be aware of techniques that are useful to implement immediately with an anxious child and become aware of resources in our community

Date: Thursday Feb. 18th

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: Saanich Neighbourhood Place (inside Pearkes Rec. Center)

RSVP: Lisat@forcesociety.com