



This Week in the Dog House



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April 25 to April 29, 2016

Thank you Belmont Staff! On Friday, we submitted 121 Dogwood Award applications. This is more than any other year for Belmont! This is due to all the encouragement and support to our students to apply. Well done!

MONDAY, April 25th - Ms. Fulton

- Prom/Safegrad tickets on sale
- Block A - Satisfaction Surveys
- Apr 25 - 29 - Spring Spirit Week
- Flannel Day

TUESDAY, April 26th - Mr. McHugh

- Jr. & Sr. Boy's Rugby Practice @ 3:45-5:30 @ Goudy Field
- Block A - Satisfaction Surveys
- Belmont Badminton Team practices Tuesdays @ 3:30 - 5:00 pm
- Tropical Day BBQ with GSA

WEDNESDAY, April 27th - Ms. Fulton

- Block A - Satisfaction Surveys
- Gr. 9 Immunizations
- Blue & White Day
- Track & Field Meet #5 @ UVic

THURSDAY, April 28th - Mr. McHugh

- International Day of Mourning for those who died while at work
- Block A - Satisfaction Surveys
- Fire Drill @ 10:00 am
- Weird Sock Day
- Belmont Study Club in the foyer from 3:45 - 5:00 pm

FRIDAY, April 29th - Ms. Fulton

- Block A - Satisfaction Surveys
- PJ's & Sweats Day
- Apr 29 & 30 - 30 Hour Famine
- Friday 1 = A, B, lunch, C, D



Students in Mr. Lusk's Innovations class created the pen & brush holder using one of the two 3D printers.

Coming Soon...

- May 3rd, Department Head Meeting
- May 10 - Staff meeting

Thanks to Mr. Willing's Chemistry 12 class for helping keep Hull's trail litter free by walking the trail and picking up litter. This is a small way the class of 2016 can thank the City of Langford for their fantastic donation to Safegrad.

Belmont is offering a new program, Electrical Trades next year depending upon enrollment. Electrical Trades is open to Grade 11 and 12 students who are interested in learning electrical fundamentals in preparation for entry into the trade. After successfully completing the Electrical Trades Program, students will be well prepared to enter the workforce as an electrical apprentice, electrician's helper or be an excellent candidate for the Electrical Foundation or Electrical Apprenticeship Program at Camosun College if the college prerequisites have been met.

For more information contact Mrs. Nicholson in the Career Centre nnicholson@sd62.bc.ca

Another article published by our students from Ms. Frodsham's writing class!

Hannah Kuiack's article about killer whales in captivity:

<http://www.goldstreamgazette.com/opinion/375480921.html>

Thanks to those who helped out with our food donation drive. Between Edward Milne and Belmont, we collected over 5000 items on Thursday evening!

Ms. Sawatzky's grade 10 English students have been doing project based learning around issues that concern teens: gender discrimination, stress, homelessness, bee endangerment, and relevance in education. Various guest speakers, invited by the students, will be in our hallways.

"Students of the Belmont Music Department, along with guests from Royal Bay, Ecole John Stubbs, and Spencer Middle School, will be audience for the Augustana Chamber Choir from the University of Alberta in the lecture theatre on Friday April 29th".

Belmont Study Club will be held on Thursday, April 28th in the foyer from 3:45-5:00pm. Drop by to finish those half completed homework assignments.

Advanced dancers are going to the **Greater Victoria performing arts Festival** Tuesday afternoon and all day Thursday to perform!

Dear Parents,

Prom is approaching quickly and the Prom Committee is working very hard to make this a fun-filled evening for this year's Royal Bay & Belmont grads! In order to make this event successful, **we are in need of approximately 200 VOLUNTEERS!!** Parents of ALL grades are encouraged to sign up, as well as past students, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends and community members! So please spread the word and pass on our email! Whether you can spare one hour, 4 hours or even the whole evening, it is much appreciated! Please email: promvolunteers2016@gmail.com to let us know how long you can

- May 10 - PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- May 13 - Earthquake Drill @ 9:50 am
- May 16 - 22 - Mental Health Awareness Week
- May 19 - Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA) Awards Celebration @ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- May 20th - Class of 2016 host a thank you BBQ in a way of giving back to the school
- May 23 - Victoria Day
- May 25, 26 and 27 - Outdoor Ed. Camping trip
- May 28 - Aboriginal Grad
- May 28 & 29 - Evening of Dance
- May 30 - Fire Drill @ 1:40 pm
- Mar 31 - Department Head Meeting
- Jun 2- Belmont Night Live
- Jun 2 - ISP Recognition Ceremony @ Royal Bay
- Jun 4/5 - Prom/SafeGrad
- Jun 7 Staff Meeting
- Jun 7 - PAC meeting at 6:30pm
- Jun 8 - French Immersion Grad
- Jun 9 - Year End Concert
- Jun 12 - Graduation Ceremony 11:00 - 1:00 @ UVic University Centre Auditorium
- Jun 14 - 16 - Impact Camping Trip
- Jun 15 - Sports Banquet
- Jun 17 - Celebrations Day - Yearbooks allocated
- Jun 20 & 21 - Class exams
- Jun 22 - 28 - Provincial Exams
- Jun 23 - Awards Night
- Jun 29 - Report Cards Distributed

Are you interested in gaining knowledge and exploring the **Adventure Tourism Industry**? This eight week program is offered in partnership with SD 61 and West Coast Adventure College to students from June 27 to August 19, 2016. Learn about wilderness first aid, navigation, leadership, communication, risk management, trip planning and survival skills. Upon completion of the program including a four week work experience placement, students will acquire eight high school credits. See Mrs. Nicholson in the Career Centre for an application.

Attention all Westshore grade 10 -12 students. Royal Roads University Student Association 2016 Idea Challenge & Innovation Lab on Saturday, May 14th 9:30 - 4:00 pm - \$20 includes lunch. Location is Royal Roads University, Mews Ballroom, 2005 Sooke Road. Register at <https://rrusa2016ideachallenge.eventbrite.ca>.

help out! OR at the bottom of the prom ticket order form, there is a volunteer portion you can also fill out and send in with your ticket order. We thank you in advance for your support and look forward to this fabulous evening!

Volunteer Coordinator Team

This e-mail is being sent out to all Grade 12 students as a reminder of the deadline for Grad Transitions. The deadline to hand in all the assignments is Monday, May 2, 2016.

Please have your son or daughter check with the Career Centre to make sure he/she has completed the requirements for Grad Transitions. Grad Transitions is mandatory for graduation. The school can help arrange a non-paid work experience placement for assignment #8 (30 hours of paid or volunteer work experience hours). Please see Mrs. Hyde in the Career Centre for a work experience placement if needed.

GRAD ceremony noteworthy dates:

April 25- April 29 - Valedictorian Nomination Week (20 signatures required)

May 4 - "O Canada" and Original Grad Song audition at lunch in the Choir room.

May 10 - Vote for valedictorian during a special assembly after TAG

May 13 - Grad Status Confirmation...Grade 12 students must be in the position to graduate in order to participate in the Grad ceremony. All fees will be refunded if a student is not in a position to graduate.

June 1 - Graduation ceremony rehearsal at UVic Auditorium University Centre 9:30am-10:30am

June 4 - Prom/Safe Grad at Eagle Ridge Arena

June 12 - Graduation ceremony at UVic Auditorium University Centre, 11:00AM

PROM/Safegrad noteworthy dates:

May 10 - work bee to get the garment bags ready

May 13 - Ticket sales close

May 24 to May 27 - ticket pick up and garment bag handed in (could be adjusted to meet the respective schools schedule)

June 4 - Prom/Safegrad event

Get Your Ship Together is a one day workshop for students aged 16-18. Workshop topics are Renting for the first time, Basic Finances, Interview, resume and cover letters, Stress Management, and Cooking on a budget. The workshop on May 4, 2016 from 9:00am to 3:00pm is hosted by 'Our Leadership Victoria' at the Boys and Girls Club Outdoor Centre at 3900 Metchosin Road. Space is limited so register early at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J3R6LZ7>

or by following the link on our community Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/Get-Your-SHIP-Together-For-the-Journey-of-Your-Life-1543247645969356/?fref=ts>

The **Bulldogs Senior Boys rugby team** are selling 1 lb bags of premium Oughtred Coffee for \$15 as a fundraiser to help pay for their trip to the BC Championships in Abbotsford in May. If you know a Belmont rugby player please support our team by purchasing a bag or two of Bulldog Blend coffee. If you would like to support the team and buy a bag of coffee, but don't know a player personally please contact Dan

This is aimed to address local issues through the innovation approach Human Centred Design (HCD). The Idea Challenge will present attendees with a real life challenge in the community, and will call on quick thinking, collaboration, and creativity to come up with innovative solutions.

Beattie at dbeattie@sd62.bc.ca and I will organize getting a bag to you. Every bag of coffee sold gets us closer to our goal. Go Bulldogs!

The Victoria Highland Games & Celtic Festival are looking for volunteers 15 years and older for May 21, 22 and 23, 2016. Volunteer opportunities include helping with parking, running contests, face painting, kids events, selling t-shirts, helping out in the Festival tent and so much more. Shifts are a few hours in length and volunteers will receive free entrance into the games, a free t-shirt and lunch. The festival is at Topaz Park (Blanshard between Topaz and Finlayson). Please apply on-line at <http://victoriahighlandgames.com/games/participate/volunteers/> See the Career Centre for a detailed job descriptions of each volunteer opportunity.