

# This Week in the Dog House



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

August 28 - September 1st, 2017

The name, "This week in the Dog House" is a play on words as our school mascot is the Bulldog!

August 28th to 31st - Counsellors back early to help with course selection adjustments

TWDH is not the only way to get information about what is happening at school. We have a Belmont APP! This is a more personalized opportunity to attain information. It is customizable for you and your student. Please download it now and we will start giving out lessons over time on how you can maximize its use. (first one attached). When you search for the APP it will have this symbol:



Breaking News! We are hosting the UVic Mens basketball team vs Bishops University on October 5 at Belmont at 7:00. We will have more details of this great news as the plans develop

#### MONDAY, August 28th

- Counsellors available for drop in timetable changes 10 - 12 & 1 - 3
- New registrations

#### TUESDAY, August 29th

- Counsellors available for drop in timetable changes 10 - 12 & 1 - 3
- New registrations

# WEDNESDAY, August 30st

- Counsellors available for drop in timetable changes 10 - 12 & 1 - 3
- New registrations

#### THURSDAY, August 31st

- Counsellors available for drop in timetable changes 10 - 12 & 1 - 3
- New registrations

#### FRIDAY, September 1st

 School Closed - All staff participating in a professional development day

## Coming Soon ....

Sept 4 - Labour Day (school not in session)

### September 5<sup>th</sup>

First Day of school for Grade 9s only-from 9am to Noon. Students will report to their Teacher Advisory Group (TAG) at 9am. Students names and their respective TAG will be posted.

#### September 6<sup>th</sup>

Full Day for all students. Students will report to their TAG first thing in the morning.

A lot of parents have been inquiring about a supply list. At the secondary level, there is not a standard supply list. Each class, teacher and student have unique needs. Students should have choice on what works for them as well. Some students like a binder per class. Others prefer one large binder with all their classes within. We recommend that you send your student to school with a binder with paper, pens & pencils for the first week. The supply needs will become evident after the first week.

Did you know our Bell Schedule has changed slightly? Check out the link and open the PDF to see if you notice the change. http://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/about/bell-schedule/

Now this is a wonderful story! Keegan Small (grade 11) and Nolan Sievert (Belmont two years ago) unselfishly are raising funds to donate to cancer research. They originally were selling lavender this summer break but have run out. They have a GOFUNDME page and are accepting donations. They have more than exceeded their original goal of \$500 dollars. Please consider a contribution!

https://www.gofundme.com/44w1oe8



Many of the players from last year's AAAA B.C. High School Provincial champions continued to excel over the summer! Savannah

- Sept 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  day Gr. 9 only 9:00 11:35 am
- Sept 5 Dept. Head Meeting @ 1:00 pm
- Sept 5 Staff Meeting @ 2:30 pm
- Sept 6 Full Day for all students
- Sept 6 Belmont Bistro opens with a half service menu
- Sept 11 Wellness Centre Re-opens
- Sept 12 Staff Meeting @ 4:00 pm
- Sept 13 School Pictures
- Sept 18 School Planning Day School Closed
- Sept 19 PAC Executive Meeting
- Sept 27 Welcome back evening for parents, students and staff
- Sept 29 Orange Shirt Day
- Oct 4 Cops for Cancer "pit stop" for lunch
- Oct 5 UVIC Men's basketball team vs Bishops University hosted at Belmont

Are you dropping your student off at school? Our parking lot is very busy and we highly recommend that you do not enter our parking lot to drop-off or pick-up students during peak times. The entrance off of Glen Lake Road is no longer available this year. This means the only entrance is off Langford Lake Road. However we have a generous drop off area on Glen Lake Road as well as the Lower Goudy parking lot.

June exam results were released on July 29, 2017. The results can be viewed on the Student Secure Web (SSW) at https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student/

Belmont Cheerleading - If you are registered in, or would like to take Cheerleading 9-12, please meet in room B210 at 3:30 - 5:00 on Wednesday September 6 for program introduction and practice. Please wear comfortable workout clothes and proper running shoes. Contact Miss Rachael for more information in room B210, through email at

rsandberg@sd62.bc.ca, or via Facebook at "MissRachael Belmont" (person) or "Belmont Cheer Team" (page).

Purdy was selected to the U-18 indoor Team B.C. and travelled to Florida for the U.S. High Performance Championships and to Winnipeg to represent B.C. at the Canada Summer Games. Taylee Pomponio, Jocelyn Sherman, and Gracie May were all selected to the U-16 Team B.C. program and competed in the National Team Challenge Cup, taking on Canada's top provincial teams. Taylee and Jocelyn helped lead B.C. Blue to a silver medal, while Gracie's B.C. Red team took the bronze. Gracie and Jocelyn then turned their focus on beach volleyball, and at the B.C. Beach Championships both were on the podium - Gracie took silver while Jocelyn scored bronze. Gracie and her partner were also selected to Team BC for Beach Volleyball, and travelled to a tournament in Seaside Oregon. Also on the beach, Hannah May and Olivia Godek teamed up to participate in a high performance camp in Vancouver before playing in the Kits Classic and competing in the Vancouver Open Pro qualifier, where they made it all the way to the final!

Congratulations to Zoe Williams, Maggie Mackinnon, Ashley Stephenson, Maliyah Colombe, Ashanti Whyte, and Renee Cook who won a Silver Medal for the U16 Girls BC Rugby Team at Nationals this summer in Calgary. These players along with Silken Tschofen also won Gold at the Provincial Regional Championships earlier in the summer.

Congratulations also to Lucas Nielsen who won a silver medal representing the U16 Boys BC Rugby Team at Nationals in Calgary this summer.

Did you know that every grade 10 student must pass a course called Planning 10 in order to graduate? At Belmont, this course is offered "outside the timetable". This means it does not occur during a block during the normal school hours. The students will be interfacing with the curriculum in a variety of manners to cover the learning outcomes. We are updating the course this year to meet the new requirements for the new curriculum within the "Career Life" component. More information to follow as we navigate the school year.

Do you have any questions about bussing? If you do please email: <a href="mailto:bussing@sd62.bc.ca">bussing@sd62.bc.ca</a> or visit the District Bussing website:

http://www.sd62.bc.ca/about/transportation/

You will also find current bussing information on the Belmont website as well:

http://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/parents/district-bussing/

How a student can attain a locker? During TAG, the first week, students will get a form to fill out to apply for a locker. The TAG on Wednesday, September  $13^{th}$  you will receive your locker number and combination. After that date, anyone wanting a locker will see Ms. Woods directly in the main office.

Is your student driving to school? Here is the parking situation. We have about 30 stall that are marked "general". They are first-come-first-serve. All other spots are assigned and unfortunately people will be towed if they park in those spots. There is also parking in the Lower-Goudy parking lot and the along Langford Parkway, just a short walk to from these lots.