



# This Week in Late Dog House



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

August 21 - August 25, 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

It is that time of year again to be thinking about "BACK to SCHOOL"! Welcome back Belmont Families. This is the very first edition of This Week in the Dog House (TWDH). A new addition comes out at the start of each week of school and is loaded with all sorts of information to help you keep on top of school events.

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:



# 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

# September 5<sup>th</sup>

First Day of school for Grade 9s only <del>and 10s</del> from 9am to Noon. Students will report to their Teacher Advisory Group (TAG).

# 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/

Did you know that some of our music students from the Belmont Music Department (BMD) played for the Premier's Open House on July 18<sup>th</sup>? What an honour for our students and school!

A shout out to Daryana Mielecka who won BRONZE at the francophone games in Moncton this summer. The event was shot put.

We want to hear about any successes your child achieved this summer! For example, Navya Pottumutu was awarded the top cadet in Canada trophy and medal this summer. She scored 100% in Academic Excellence. Well done Navya, we are so proud of you!



#### Coming Soon ....

- Sept 4 Labour Day (school not in session)
- Sept 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  day Gr. 9 & 10's 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 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

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 <a href="https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student/">https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student/</a>

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: <a href="http://www.sd62.bc.ca/about/transportation/">http://www.sd62.bc.ca/about/transportation/</a>

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-comefirst-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.

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