



This Week in the Dog House



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

October 31st, 2016

Medical Information - If your child has a serious medical condition, such as Anaphylaxis or Diabetes, and you have not already filled out a medical action plan for the school, please contact Jen Wurban at jwurban@sd62.bc.ca

Tuesday evening the **Senior Girls Volleyball Team** will be competing for the **City Championships title (the Vic Lindal Cup) vs Oak Bay**. The match takes place at Oak Bay and begins at 7:00 and the team would love to hear Belmont students/alumni backing them!

MONDAY, October 31st

- Swim Team meet @ YMCA 3:45 - 4:45 pm
- MyEd Open for Mark Entry
- Halloween - wear your best costume
- "Halloween Howl" (pumpkin carving & costume contest - Blk A, Room A201 for International students & Belmont Ambassadors
- **Halloween Treats at the Café today.**

TUESDAY, November 1st

- Belmont Cheer Team practice @ 3:30 pm
- Swim Team meet @ YMCA 3:45 - 4:45 pm
- SFU visit to French Immersion Classes
- PAC mtg. @ 7:00 pm in Learning Commons
- Dept. Head mtg. @ 3:40 pm
- Movember/Clothing Drive Starts
- PROM meeting at 8pm after the PAC meeting - all grade 12 parents welcome

WEDNESDAY, November 2nd

- Belmont Cheer Team practice @ 3:30 pm
- **Grade 12 Assembly - Block B- after TAG**
- **Lakeside Café** will be offering food choices on Wednesdays at lunch. **Today's menu is Chili & a Bun (vegetarian & meat)**
- Global and Intercultural Meeting in room B307
- Take Our Kids to Work for Gr. 9's

THURSDAY, November 3rd

- Belmont Homework Study Club meet at lunch in Room A201
- WE Day
- Swim Team meet @ YMCA 3:45 - 4:45 pm

FRIDAY, November 4th

- End of Term 1/Hot Chocolate Day
- Hosting a Senior Girls Volleyball tournament. Games start around noon

Did you know that Belmont has a Scholarship Society? For many years now, community members and businesses have donated to the society to create a scholarship in their name or allow us to distribute the money. Last year the society gave out \$23,350 to 38 students. The Scholarships range from \$1500 to \$300. If you are interested in donating to this great cause, please contact Ms. Handy nhandy@sd62.bc.ca

RCMP is now recruiting for '**RCMP in BC Youth Advisory Committee**'. The RCMP is looking for YOUTH to join its Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). Are you in school and aged between 14 and 18 years? Do you have something to say about issues facing young people? Applications can be picked up in the Career Centre with the due date of November 7, 2016. Contact Vijay Morancie, RCMP in BC, Crime Prevention Services - Youth Strategies at 778-290-4021 yacbc@rcmp-grc.gc.ca for more information.

Interested in Improv? Join unscripted fun!

Improv is a type of acting or drama where you make it up on the spot! Interested? Come on down to the Theatre on Wednesday the 14th after school at 3:45. Can't make it this week? There's always next week. No experience necessary! Bring a friend and an open mind.

Improv will include:

- Games
- Performances (By choice!)
- Mistakes (But that's okay!)

Stepping outside of your comfort zone and into the Improv zone.



Congratulations to the students who attended the Imagining Possibilities Conference hosted by the Soroptimist International of Victoria Westshore on October 26. The students who attended the full day conference attended dynamic workshops on how to take responsibility for their future, believing they can and some tools to do so. The 'Live your Dreams Show' allowed students to speak with 50 women who have made successful careers in the arts, science, health care, technology, personal care, business, law and many more. This event is held each year in October for women 15 to 14 years old.



SATURDAY, November 5th

• Soldier for a Day

Coming Soon in September...

- Nov 8 - Staff mtg. @ 3:40 pm in Theatre
- Nov 9 - Bring an MP to school day" Honorable Alistair MacGregor
- Nov 9 - SPEAC Event on "Sex & Drugs" at Belmont 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Learning Commons at BSS
- Nov 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov 10 - All marks due 9:00 am/Verifications in mailbox
- Nov 11 - Remembrance Day (school not in session)
- Nov 14 - All corrections complete by 9:00 am
- Nov 14 - Report Cards printed
- Nov 14 - 15 - Comox Valley Music Festival
- Nov 16 - Belmont Family Super PAC mtg.
- Nov 16 - Report Cards distributed during TAG
- Nov 17 - Hold & Secure Drill @ 11:30
- Nov 21 - Dec 2 - Grad Portraits in the Learning Commons 8:30 am - 9:00 pm
- Nov 24 - 3 hr. early dismissal Learning Conferences
- Nov 25 - Pro-D (school not in session)
- Nov 30 - Movember Assembly/Clothing drive ends
- Dec 1 - Rafiki Sale starts
- Dec 1 - 12 Days of Christmas Starts
- Dec 6 - Dept. Head mtg. @ 3:40 pm Learning Commons
- Dec 7 - 10,000 Tonight
- Dec 8 - Winter Concert in Learning Commons & Theatre @ 7:00 pm
- Dec 12 - 16 - Christmas Spirit Week
- Dec 13 - 15 - Bake for Change
- Dec 13 - Staff mtg. @ 3:40 pm Theatre
- Dec 14 - Winter Formal @ Westin Bear Mountain Resort
- Dec 16 - Santa's Breakfast in Social Commons
- Dec 19 - Jan 2 - Winter Vacation
- Jan 12 - "Indie Night" (Music, Poetry, Dance, Art Show)

For a list of **volunteer opportunities**, please see <http://bssccareercentre.weebly.com/volunteer.html>

Grade 12s, Don't forget to check the scholarship weebly for updates.
<http://belmontscholarship.weebly.com/home.html>

Homework Club

Every Thursday at lunch, students gather in Ms. Boyte's room A201 to get help with their homework or challenges they are having in their classes. We invite all students to gather and

Coming Soon - Marketing Class is going to host two Club days showcasing all the various clubs one can join at Belmont. This will be over lunch on Monday November 7th and Wednesday, November 9th.

Congratulations to grade 9 Jacob Unger for a successful high school cross-country season. Jacob came 48th out of 90 in a muddy Island Championship race this last Wednesday. Well done Jacob, and good luck in your upcoming Provincial Club Championship race!



Congratulations to Grade 10 students Christine Camaso and Veronica Cho on their successful representation of Georgia and Azerbaijan respectively, at the 3-day University of Victoria Model UN Conference held this past weekend. The two were amongst 178 delegates from all over Vancouver Island's high schools and colleges. You do us proud, girls! Next stop - VMUN in Vancouver in January!



Take Our Kids to Work™ (November 2nd) is an annual program for Grade 9 students. Students can spend the day in the workplace of a parent, relative, friend or volunteer experiencing and learning about the world of work. This year's event is on Wednesday November 2, 2016. Parent permission forms for Take Our Kids to Work can be picked up in the Career Centre and must be returned by Monday October 24, 2016. This event is for Grade 9 students only.

Belmont Secondary has had a long history of supporting the Big Brothers Big Sisters Teen Mentor program. Students who are between 15-18 years old, and have one hour per week, during the school day, available to volunteer to this program are invited to apply. To find out more information, and to obtain an application package, please see Ms. Handy in the counselling suite or Mr. Morrison in the Library. It's a fabulous opportunity to make a real difference in a little person's life

interact in this incredible learner-friendly environment.

Belmont is participating in "Bring an MP to school day". Honorable Alistair MacGregor is booked at Belmont all day on November 9th. We will arrange a series of opportunities for our classes to learn more about our democracy with this opportunity.

Soldier for a Day

For those students interested in a little challenge and fun, the 39 Canadian Brigade Group is hosting a Soldier for a Day program on November 5, 2016. This program is an introduction to the role of the Canadian Armed forces - Army Reserve both here in Canada and around the world. See Mrs. Hyde in the Career Centre to sign up, pick up an application form and more information.

Join the **Belmont Cheer Team for Basketball season.** See Miss Rachael in room B210 for a permission form, and join us for practices Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 3:30 starting November 1st. For more info email rsandberg@sd62.bc.ca.



Grade 12's: Grad Transitions Deadline

Grad Transitions is mandatory for graduation. Assignments 1, 2, 3 and 4 are due on Monday, October 31, 2016. Students can tear off the assignments from the Grad Transitions Booklet and hand the assignments in to the Career Centre. Extra copies of the booklet can be picked up in the Career Centre.

Encounters With Canada is a federal program, through Historical Canada, that provides participants (ages 14-17 years of age) to participate in one of 13 different theme weeks. These themes enable students to explore potential careers and areas of personal interest. The exclusive weeks happen during the school year, gathering students from all parts of Canada, for an unforgettable opportunity. Interested students are invited to read over further information at www.encounters-recontres.ca or see Ms Handy in the counselling suite.