



This Week in the Dog House



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February 27 - March 3, 2017

Casting for the "Breakfast Club" play after school on Tuesday, February 28. (see poster)

MONDAY, February 27th

- Deadline for submission for BC Quebec Exchange

TUESDAY, February 28th

- The Pascal, Cayley, and Fermat Math contests to be written at 9:00am.
- Ann-Bernice Thomas (Victoria's youth Poet Laureate) doing a presentation in our theatre
- Swim Team meet @ YMCA 3:45 - 4:45 pm
- Casting for the "Breakfast Club" after school
- Gr. 9 Classroom visits (Blk D) - Course Forms
- Elementary Schools Basketball Jamboree from 3 to 6pm

WEDNESDAY, March 1st

- New Grade 9s from Dunsmuir visiting in the morning
- Concert Band - BandFest @ UVic for blocks A & B only
- Global and Intercultural Meeting in room B307
- Girls' Rugby practice 3:45 - 5:55 pm
- Belmont Improv Troupe meet in Belmont Theatre 3:30 - 5:30 pm
- Elementary Schools Basketball Jamboree from 3 to 6pm

THURSDAY, March 2nd

- Career Fair organized by ABED & Career Centre 9:00 - 11:30 am
- Grade 12 Assembly during block B - Reach out Psychosis
- Biology 11 hosting - "Talk to Your Doc" program during block A
- Homework Study Club meet at lunch in Room A201
- Gr. 9 Classroom visits (Blk D) - Course Forms
- Elementary Schools Basketball Jamboree from 3 to 6pm

FRIDAY, March 3rd

- Regional Skills Canada Hairstyling Competition
- Gr. 9 course forms due for collection

Grade 12s, Don't forget to check the scholarship website for updates.

Senior Boys Basketball Team lost a hard battle with Oak Bay in the Island Championship final game this weekend. We hosted the 4A Senior Boys Island Championship and put on a great show for our community. Dante Bull and Nishad Tarak were 1st Team All Stars. Nathan Johal was a 2nd Team All Star. The boys play again on Tuesday at home against the Cowichan Thunderbirds for the final spot to the provincials.

A big thank you to Rajan Rai (PND Soil and Gravel) for their generous donation of soil for our new garden. We are busy making raised beds and this generous donation goes a long way. We really appreciate the support!

Another great day to be a Bulldog! Our football team and coaches were part of a movie set this weekend (Saturday). They donned the gear and got in front of the cameras. It was definitely a great and unique experience to have the opportunity to be on a movie set. Coach Sanschagrin was very pleased on the deportment of our players. The movie is called Framed for murder: a fixer upper mystery and is about: In the small resort town of Lighthouse Cove, everyone knows that the best man for the job is a woman. And that woman is Shannon Hughes, owner of a construction company and an expert in Victorian home restoration and renovation. Through her renovations she will find clues to uncover the house's secret past and in turn become an unlikely sleuth to help crack these unsolved mysteries. Stars Jewel, Colin Ferguson and Laura Soltis.



Congratulations to Jonathan Vallee for being chosen the Top male competitor for the RBC Training Ground Program! This is a program that seeks out elite athletes for the Canadian Olympic program. A gofundme page has been set up for Jonathan so that he can continue to attend all the opportunities presented to continue his quest to be a Canadian Olympic athlete.

Link is: www.gofundme.com/Jonathan-Vallee

On March 3rd, Belmont Secondary is hosting the **Regional Skills Canada Hairstyling Competition**. This is an opportunity for young students

Coming Soon

- Mar 7th - PAC Event-School Goals @ 7 pm
- Mar 7 - Prom/Safegrad meeting @ 8 pm
- Mar 7th - Dept. Head mtg. @ 3:40 pm
- Mar 8th - International Women's Day
- Mar 8-9 - Drumline @ BC Drumline Competition (Abbotsford)
- Mar 14th - Staff mtg. @ 3:40 pm
- Mar 17th - End of Term 3
- Mar 17th - Jazz Band performing at lunch
- Mar 17th - St. Patrick's Day/Day before Spring Break BBQ!
- Mar 17-18 - Rugby Canada University 7s
- Mar 20 - 31 - Spring Break
- Apr 4th - PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- Apr 4th - Dept. Head Meeting @ 3:40 pm
- Apr 7th - Indie Night - 6:30 to 9pm
- Apr 9th - Choir & Band @ Rink Cycle II - Save-on-Foods Memorial Centre
- Apr 9th - Ruth King Magic Show at the Belmont Theatre
- Apr 11th - Staff Meeting
- Apr 11th - Report Cards Distributed
- Apr 12th - 3 hr. Early Dismissal Learning Conferences
- Apr 13th - Pro-D (school not in session)
- Apr 14th - Good Friday (school not in session)
- Apr 17th - Easter Monday (school not in session)
- April 21st - Sustainability class organizes an Earth Day event
- Apr 21st - West Coast Choral Festival @ Brentwood College
- Apr 24th - 28th - Spirit Week
- Apr 28th - Belmont students attend the 5th Annual Ocean Science Symposium
- Apr 29th or 30th 9am to 5pm - Football fundraiser - Drive for your students sponsored by buick
- May 2nd - PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- May 2nd - Dept. Head Meeting @ 3:40 pm
- May 3rd - West Coast Jazz Festival @ VIU
- May 9th - General Election - youth at the booth program
- May 9th - Staff Meeting
- May 8-11 - Mother's Day Grams on Sale
- May 12th - Pro-D (school not in session)
- May 15th - "O'Canada"/Grad Song Auditions @ lunch in the CRM
- May 21-29 - Rugby Canada Women 7s
- May 22nd - Victoria Day (school not in session)

across the Province to showcase their mastery of hairdressing trade skills. 12 students from Belmont are competing this year.

Special, Limited Edition Belmont Toques and Hats!

One day only sale, Wednesday March 8th at noon, Lakeside Café.
2 styles of Toques - \$20 each. Snapback ball caps - \$25. Get them before they are gone!

Regional Skills Canada Competitions will be held at Camosun College Interurban Campus on Friday, March 3, 2017.

Skills Canada promotes, celebrates and rewards students for their excellence in their mastery of the skilled trades & technologies in hands-on competitions similar to the Olympics. Winners in each competition area are awarded gold, silver or bronze medals, with the gold medal winners qualifying to compete in the annual Provincial Competition. Please wish our Belmont students, Austin Crowther, Travis Crowther and Ethan Gilbertson good luck as they compete against other South Vancouver Island students in the Welding competition. We have our fingers crossed for either Austin, Travis or Ethan to win the brand new TIG 185/AC/DC welding machine donated by Linde Canada Ltd. for the gold medalist winner. Spectators are welcome to watch the Skills Canada Competitions at Camosun from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Competitions include: Automotive Services, Carpentry, Culinary Arts, Public Speaking, Electronics, Cabinetmaking, Welding, Mechanical CAD.

Check out the interview with Dorian Munro one of our Robot Club leaders who took our robot "scruffy" to an international competition.

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Second semester is also the start of course selection for next year. There will be lots of activities surrounding this. You can get a head start by reviewing the online course forms and course handbooks at: <http://belmont.web.sd62.bc.ca/parents/course-selection-2016-17/>

Grade 9 students selecting courses for grade 10

- ~~Classroom visits February 28th, March 1st and 2nd (Block D)~~
 - Grade 9 course forms due for collection that week

Grade 10 students selecting courses for grade 11

- **COMPLETED!**

Grade 11 students selecting courses for grade 12

- **COMPLETED!**

Please welcome **Raising Voices** over the next two weeks. This spoken word poetry team will be doing performances and workshops for the English department classes. They show students that poetry is a living, breathing art form. This opportunity comes to us through an Art Starts grant.

Belmont Rugby is currently doing a Raffle to raise money for the upcoming season, and the prizes are awesome!

Tickets are being sold by the boys and girls rugby teams (Jan. 13th - Mar. 3rd, 2017)

Draw: March 3rd, 2017

Tickets are \$10

1st Prize:

- 2, two-day passes to the 2017 HSBC Canada 7s Tournament in Vancouver
- One nights accommodation at The Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

- May 22nd - Island Farms Victoria Day Parade
- May 23-27 - BMD Tour in Vancouver
- June 3-4 - Prom
- June 6th - Dept. Head Meeting @ 3:40 pm
- June 8th - PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- June 10th - Dance Rehearsal 9:00am - 3:00pm
- June 11th - Grad Ceremony @ 11:00 AM UVIC
- June 13th - Staff Meeting
- June 15th - Dance Rehearsal 4:00 - 9:00 pm
- June 16th - Dance Show 7:00 - 9:00 pm
- June 17th - Dance Show 7:00 - 9:00 pm
- June 20th - End of Term 4
- June 29th - Last day of School & Report Cards Distributed

Student Video Game Work Experience Program

The student Video Game Work Experience Program provides students with the opportunity to learn what it is like to work in a video game company.

The program will run from April - May 2017.

Each week placement will run Monday to Thursday

Hours will be from 9.30 am - 3 pm.

To register go to

<http://www.vicvideogames.com/register/>

Open to Grade 11 and 12 students only

Volunteer Victoria is looking for students interested in taking part in the Canada 150 Youth Advisory Committee. If you would like more information on how to get involved please contact Ashley at

ashley@volunteervictoria.bc.ca

Explorations in Technology (TEAC 105) - Are you interested in learning about Computer Science, Electronic & Computing Engineering, Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering? Camosun College offers a dual credit course for high school students at the Interurban Campus for 13 Fridays from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. The next class starts in September with a limited number of seats. Applications can be picked up in the Career Centre. The application fee is \$40.20 and tuition will be paid by the school. Students will receive 4 Grade 12 credits upon completion of the course. For more information please contact Nadine Nicholson at nnicholson@sd62.bc.ca

- \$200 BC Ferry Gift Certificate

- Total value: \$800

2nd Prize:

- Salmon Fishing Charter for 2 with "A-Salt-Weapon Charters"

3rd Prize:

- Authentic Rugby Canada Jersey signed by the Bronze Medal Rugby 7s team from the Rio Olympics

4th Prize:

- 2, two-day passes to the 2017 HSBC Women's 7s in Langford

5th Prize:

- \$100 gift certificate to "The Local" restaurant

Thanks in advance, your support is much appreciated!

Charlotte Haley, Dan Beattie, Megan Evans, Claire Wilke and Ceara Mullin

Vancouver Island Youth Parliament

Applications are now being accepted for the 25th Annual Vancouver Island Youth Parliament (VIYP). VIYP is a model parliament for youth ages 14-18 from March 10-12, 2017, hosted at the Gulf Islands Secondary School. Students will develop skills in Leadership Public speaking and the parliamentary process. For more information go to <http://www.bcp.org/viyp.html>. Applications can also be picked up in the Career Centre.

The registration fee is \$45.00

Deadline to register is March 5, 2017

TALE (Tourism and Leadership Exploration Program)

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 July 4 to August 25, 2017. 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. For more information contact Tanya Larkin at tlarkin@sd62.bc.ca

Summer Secondary School Apprenticeship at Dockyard

Dockyard (Fleet Maintenance Facility, Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt) in Victoria is offering summer positions for Secondary School Apprenticeships again this year. The jobs offered are in the following trades: various metal trades, various hull trades, electricians, machinists, millwrights and pipefitters.

For more information, the application package and job descriptions see the Career Centre. Application deadline is Monday, April 3, 2017. For more information contact Nadine Nicholson at Belmont nnicholson@sd62.bc.ca

For a list of **upcoming career events, job postings and volunteer opportunities** go to

<http://bsscarenecentre.weebly.com/>

The Vimy Foundation offers a prestigious summer scholarship to youth 15-17 years of age, to study the interwoven history of Canada, France, and Great Britain during the First and Second World Wars. During the two week, fully-funded scholarship program, prize winners from Canada, Great Britain and France will visit key historical sites

including lectures, visits to major museums, battlefields, cemeteries and memorials, including Vimy Ridge, where they will be introduced to ideas and viewpoints not typically taught in classrooms

[Apply for the 2017 Beaverbrook Vimy Prize](#)

Deadline for applications is March 1, 2017.

For a list of **volunteer opportunities**, please see

<http://bsscarrercentre.weebly.com/volunteer.html>