



This Week in the Dog House


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

March 6 – March 10, 2017

Congratulations to our Belmont Concert Band! They received a Double-Excellent at the University of Victoria Band Fest! Way to go! Now our attention is going towards our Drumline, as they head to Abbotsford for the BC Provincial Drumline Competition.

Congratulations to Abby Gravelle (Bronze) and Cyanea Lonsdale (Silver) who competed in the skills Canada hairdressing contest for this region on Friday. Belmont hosted this event and did a very professional job in representing both on the floor and in the organization. Well done everyone.

Best of luck to our Senior Boys Basketball team who are heading to provincials this week.

MONDAY, March 6th

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TUESDAY, March 7th

- Spencer & Dunsmuir Grade 8s visiting at 10am
- Badminton practice 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Gym B & C
- Dept. Head mtg. @ 3:40 pm
- PAC Event-School Goals @ 7 pm
- Prom/Safegrad meeting @ 8 pm

WEDNESDAY, March 8th

- International Women's Day
- Scia'new Community meeting from 4-5pm in the Learning Commons
- Global and Intercultural Meeting in room B307
- Girls' Rugby practice 3:45 – 55 pm
- Belmont Improv Troupe meet in Belmont Theatre 3:30 – 5:30 pm
- Mar 8-9 - Drumline @ BC Drumline Competition (Abbotsford)

THURSDAY, March 9th

- Mar 8-9 - Drumline @ BC Drumline Competition (Abbotsford)
- Homework Study Club meet at lunch in Room A201
- Badminton practice 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Courts B & C

FRIDAY, March 10th

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Belmont Basketball, along with Westshore Basketball, hosted the Sooke School District Elementary Schools Basketball Jamboree. This is the second year for this event at Belmont and it was again a HUGE success. Over 400 students in grades 4 and 5 came to Belmont over the 3-day event. We raised \$850 to put toward KidSport Victoria!

Darien Attridge officially signed his scholarship papers last Thursday, committing him to attend to the University of Saskatchewan and play football for the Huskies. He is the second Bulldog to receive a scholarship this year (Dontae Bull - Fresno State University) and the 7th Belmont Football player in the last 4 years to have their university tuition paid for thanks to the football skills they developed while at Belmont.

Congratulations to Maggie MacKinnon and Julian Foggit who are playing with the British Columbia Elite 7s teams in the international Las Vegas 7s rugby tournament this weekend. Renee Cook was also selected to the U16 girl's side but was unable to participate due to illness. Way to go Bulldogs!!

Aboriginal Education @ Belmont

Monday - Free Traditional Tea with Elder Henry in the **Lakeside Café**
Wednesday - Teachers and staff are invited to a Scia'new Community meeting from 4-5pm in the Learning Commons with Chief Russell Chipps, Bernice Millett, Gordon Charles, Phyllis Charles, Elder Henry Chipps and possibly others. The connection time is informal with introductions, coffee and a circle sharing opportunity for all to share ideas and thoughts. If you have further questions please email or chat with Natasha Burke.

Breakfast Club Cast: A note to actors:

First, a huge bravo and thank you to all students who came out for the auditions. The audition was a great success - so much so that casting has been difficult. There will not be a call back. Final decisions on casting will be posted Monday, March 06, outside the theatre doors. Rehearsals will begin the following Tuesday, March 07; the schedule will be announced at the first rehearsal.

Best of luck to the 9-12 Drumline who are heading to Abbotsford for the BC Provincial Drumline Competition. This annual competition allows for Drumlines in BC to perform and receive adjudication. They will be away Wednesday PM and all day Thursday.

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!

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

Coming Soon

- Mar 14th - Staff mtg. @ 3:40 pm
- Mar 15th - Advanced Dance Auditions 4:00 - 6:00 pm in the gym.
- 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 19th - Grad Rehearsal
- May 21-29 - Rugby Canada Women 7s
- May 22nd - Victoria Day (school not in session)
- May 22nd - Island Farms Victoria Day Parade



Advanced Dance Auditions are March 15th from 4:00-6:00 in the gym. Please arrive warmed up and stretched.

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.

Congratulations to Noelle Ferguson and Isha Cheema who both received awards at the annual Tsukino-Con UVic Anime Event on February 17-19, 2017 held at UVic. Noelle and Isha created and worked on their cosplay costumes in the Belmont Sew Right Club. The UVic Anime Club supports the celebration of Japanese culture, anime fandom and gaming.

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.bccp.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

- 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

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

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

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

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