



# This Week in the Dog House


<http://belmont.sd62.bc.ca/>
October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

**Awesome View of the PEP Rally on Friday**

**Tour de Rock riders stopping at Belmont this week.** The riders arrive on October 5th at 11:39 and staying for 30 minutes. This is a "fueling" stop as they just came over the Malahat. This is the second year we have hosted this event. It is a community event that we are committed to keep as a perpetual event. The City of Langford and Belmont are working in partnership to provide food and the opportunity to donate. Come to Belmont that day & time, make a donation, and a burger is on us!

**Here is a nice story about one of our students.** Hannah Clarke found a wallet full of ID, bank cards and cash. She turned it into the police and the owner was ecstatic to get his precious valuables back. Well done Hannah, what great integrity!

## **MONDAY, October 3rd**

- Event Entertainment meeting at lunch in Mr. Grangers room -B222
- Belmont Spring Break Trip to NYC & London info mtg. @ 6:30 pm in the Learning Commons

## **TUESDAY, October 4th**

- Belmont Cheer Team practice @ 3:30 pm
- Dept. Head Meeting @ 3:40 pm
- PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm in the Learning Commons

## **WEDNESDAY, October 5th**

- Tour de Rock visiting Belmont @ 11:39 am

**Big congratulations to the Senior Girls Volleyball Team**, who took home the championship at the Vancouver Island University Tournament this weekend. The girls were unbeaten, going 6-0 and defeating St. Thomas Moore of Vancouver in the final. Tournament all-stars went to Taylee Pomponio, Hannah May, Gracie May, and MVP honours to Savannah Purdy. Olivia Godek was outstanding and special mention to Miranda Cyr for filling in for injured Sydney Belton at the middle blocker position!

We are looking for photos to be included in a **Belmont historical timeline project**. If any parents or grandparents have interesting pictures that capture a memorable or interesting school event, we'd love to see them (you could either email them to [ccullen@sd62.ca](mailto:ccullen@sd62.ca) or drop them off at the office and we would scan them and return them to you). All photos are welcome, but in particular, this coming week we are hoping to locate photos of Belmont's early years, including its initial 1946-47 year at the Albert Head annex, as well as the two mosaics created by Nancy Adams' yearbook class that used to be in the former Belmont hallway beside the library.

**Grade 12s, Don't forget to check the scholarship weebly for updates.** The applications for the Loren Scholarship are due Wednesday. <http://belmontscholarship.weebly.com/home.html>

**Our launch of information sessions for learning more about Post-Secondary opportunities.** We will have a series of information evenings coming in October for parents and students to attend. Please check out the attachment: **6.0 Learning more about Post-Secondary opportunities**

**All events from 6:30 to 8pm and hosted in the Belmont Theatre:**

- **Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>: Post-Secondary Welcome Session**
- **Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>: post-secondary application and scholarship prep**

- Belmont Cheer Team practice @ 3:30 pm
- Wellness Session with UVIC
- **Post-Secondary Welcome session from 6:30 to 8pm**

#### **THURSDAY, October 6th**

- Belmont GSA meet at lunch in Room A205

#### **FRIDAY, October 7th**

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#### **SATURDAY, October 8<sup>th</sup>**

- Hosting the Camosun Charges Women's Basketball verse Trinity Western @ 2pm

**Lakeside Café will be offering food choices on Wednesdays beginning October 12th at lunch time.** The first menu item is cheesy Nachos, fudgy brownies and smoot.

#### **Coming Soon in September...**

- Oct 10 - Thanksgiving (school not in session)
- Oct 11 - Staff Mtg @ 3:40 pm
- Oct 12 - Mindfulness for students at lunch
- Oct 15 - Drum Line Retreat @ Belmont
- Oct 16 - 30 Hour Famine
- Oct 18 - Picture Retake Day with Lifetouch
- Oct 20 - BC Shake Out @ 10:20 am
- Oct 21 - Pro-D (school not in session)
- Oct 24 - 28 - Spirit Week
- Oct 24 - BC PSI 9:00 - 11:00 am
- Oct 29 - Concert Band Retreat Day @ Belmont
- Oct 31 - Halloween
- Nov 4 - End of Term 1
- Nov 5 - Soldier for a Day

**Did you know?** We give away free toast to anyone who wants it every day before school. This is operated by students who care!

**Work Experience 12 course.** Students who have seen Mrs. Nicholson for an orientation and who have received paperwork for the Work Experience 12 course credits must return the Orientation Package and the Agreement/Training Plan by Wednesday, September 29, 2016 to ensure enrollment in the course.

Are you interested in participating in an intense week of hands-on **firefighting and rescue training** on Pender Island from March 20 to 25, 2017? This unique boot camp will help you build your confidence, strength and team work skills while being immersed in firefighting and rescue techniques. You must be 16-18 years old. Admission fee is \$200. Come to the Career Centre for more information and an application.

- Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>: UVic admission and program planning
- Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>: Camosun admission and program planning



Belmont junior girls come second out of 16 teams in a weekend tournament that we hosted. What was supposed to be rebuilding year has the team becoming a contender.

Our **Elder in residence program** will starting again in October and running through until the end of May. **Elder Henry Chipps** will be here on Mondays and is available to present in our classes on a number of topics. Staff keep your eyes open for a bio and more info about the programming in your mail box next week!

**Spring Break Adventure 2017!** Belmont students are invited to come join us for 10-12 days in New York, London & Paris as we explore the sights, sounds, and tastes of three of the most culturally historic and significant cities in the world! Information meeting Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 6:30 PM in Belmont's Library Learning Commons for those who could not make it to our spring meetings. It's still not too late to sign up. Mr. Chan and Mr. Morrison will be presenting the itinerary, expectations and associated costs.

**The Belmont swim team** sign-up sheet is in the office.

We will be swimming out the YMCA on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:45-4:45pm. Starting September 27th.

Select the Swim channel on the Belmont app.

**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

#### **Imaging Possibilities Conference**

This one day conference is for female students 15-24 years old who are interested, taking charge of their own future. 15 dynamite workshops will be offered from Reaching Your Dreams with SMART Goals, Personality Power, Job Search Boot camp, Healthy Relationships, The Real World of Money, etc. The Live your Dreams Show will give students a chance to speak with 50 women in all walks of life about



**Are you considering a career in Aviation and Design?** Mt. Doug Secondary School is offering an Aviation and Design Program second semester from February to June 2017. Students will receive 16 high school credits as well as achieve Transport Canada Ground School Certification, Co-Pilot Three Fights and work with local aviation and design employers. For more information and an application package please see the Career Centre or go to <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/programs/careers-and-transitions/aviation-design/> for information.

what they do and how they got there. This free conference is on Monday October 26, 2016 from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm and is presented by Soroptimist Club. Pick up field trip permission forms and a conference description from the Career Centre. Space is limited to 30 students on a 'first come first served' basis.

**Belmont is participating in "Bring an MP to school day".** Honourable Alistair MacGregor is booked at Belmont all day on November 9<sup>th</sup>. 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.

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