



# MAGEE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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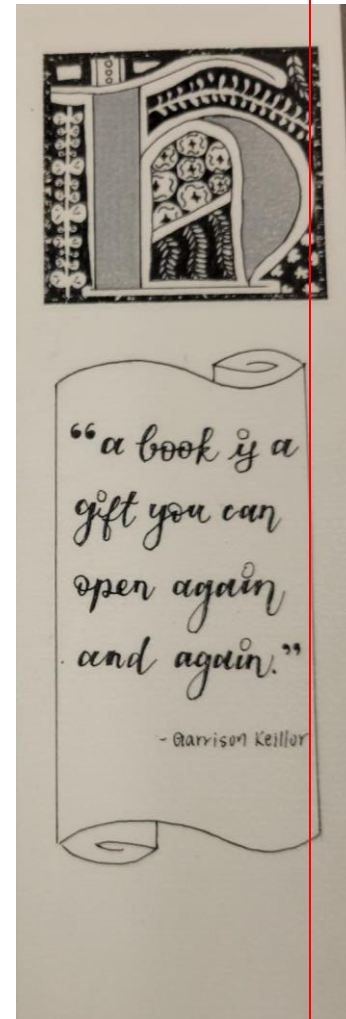
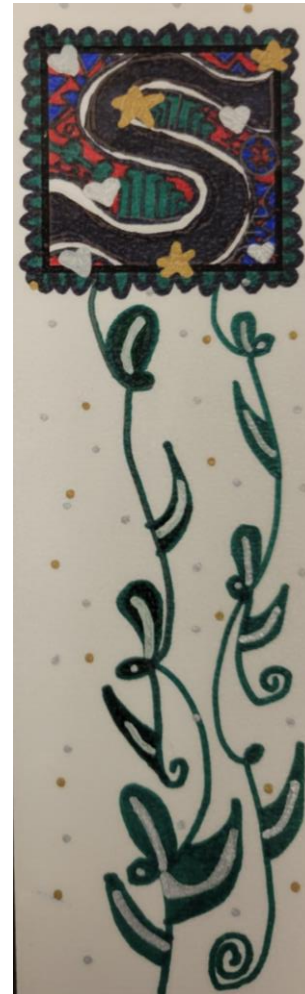
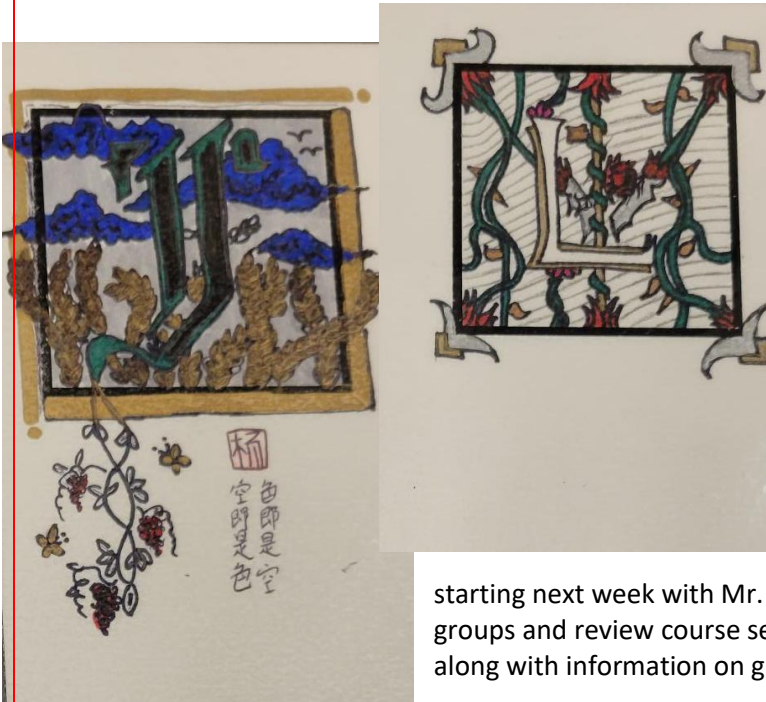
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**Magee News**  
**21 January 2022**

## **School updates- Library/Learning Commons Illuminated bookmark project.**

Ms. Pearson, one of Magee's librarians, has included in her classes a project on the history of writing and illuminated texts at the grade 8/9 level. After introducing block texts and giving examples of illuminated manuscripts students design their own bookmarks that are laminated and used, hopefully, to take out and read old school real books! Here are some examples (and details) of the student's work ...



## **Course selection: 2022-2023.**

Course selection for the 2022-2023 school year is starting next week with Mr. Kanavos and our grade 8's. Counsellors meet student groups and review course selection. Our course selection guide is available [here](#), along with information on graduation requirements.

## **Traffic Safety around Magee.**

If you are dropping your child/ren off at Magee please observe the posted road signs and driving etiquette- no U-turns at Maple and 48<sup>th</sup> or 47<sup>th</sup>! No texting in the intersections! No dropping off in the intersections! If you are waiting to pick-up the south side of our staff parking lot (facing 49<sup>th</sup>, adjacent to the field) is a great safe spot to pull in and park- and generally there is plenty of parking available!

*On unceded territory of the Musqueam nation*

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## **Numeracy 10 and Literacy 12 Exams:**

The Ministry of Education has cancelled all January sittings of provincial exams. They will be re-scheduled. There are some changes to Personal Growth Week due to exam cancellations.

## **Personal Growth Week Workshops (Wed Jan 26, Thu Jan 27, Fri Jan 28, Tue Feb 1):**

Students will have no regular classes during Personal Growth Week, unless directed by their classroom teacher. Registration for workshops opened on Thursday December 16<sup>th</sup> through [Magee Secondary \(office365.com\)](https://www.magee365.com).

Instructions to register, an updated list of workshops and a brochure can be found on the Magee website.:

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/magee/Teaching-and-Learning/Programs/Pages/Personal-Growth-Week.aspx>

Information for students can also be found on posters around the school and on the 'all grades team' on Microsoft Teams, where students can also ask questions.

Some students may be anxious about not registering for the minimum number of workshops. The aim of the workshops is for students to learn, grow and have some fun, not to be stressed!

**Please review the expectations** (below) around registration, attendance, and exceptions to the minimum number of workshops requirement.

### **Expectations for Students:**

1. All students must sign-up for a **minimum of 10 workshops** during the 4 days (5 for Sparts). If a student has work deemed a higher priority, **parents/guardians may excuse** them from the minimum 10-workshop requirement by signing this Student Attendance Passport (will be distributed on Monday January 24). All students are expected to remain at Magee during school hours.
2. Classroom teachers may request students to attend **class/tutorial** to complete courses, get extra help or catch up on missed work. These requests take priority over workshops or any self-directed work. Each class is worth 1 workshop.
3. If students are not in a workshop or class, they are expected to study, read, or work independently. You must remain at Magee during school hours.
4. Check the 'all grade team' in Microsoft Team or the Magee Website (Teaching and Learning -> Programs) for registration instructions, an updated list of workshops, a workshop brochure, the link to register, and



Ms. Lexi Knobler, semi-pro skateboarder, one of our palette of presenters and facilitators in our Personal Growth Week. Other sessions include land defense, dance, internet safety Climate Justice, identity, Holocaust Remembrance and awareness, and a Black History Month keynote speaker.

Drama and Career-Life Connections 12 teacher **Mr. Waterman** working with our **Learning Assistance and Life Skills** class during their drama block. Integrating our LALS kids enriches our teacher's and school's experience and helps us to become more mindful and thoughtful educators and learners.





the answers to student questions.

5. Students may only attend the workshops for which they registered.

6. To make sure you are registered -Log-in to the email address you used to register for sessions. You should have received a confirmation email immediately after registering. You will also receive a reminder email, three days before the workshop.

7. The workshop supervisor or classroom teacher will **initial your Student Passport** to confirm your attendance

8. When the personal growth week is completed, all students must **obtain their parent/guardian signature**

9. **Return** the initialed and signed Student Passport as directed (announcement will be made)

## **PAC Update.**

Happy New Year from your Magee PAC! Much has changed since mid-December but we hope your families are well and safe. We have several items to share with you as we kick off 2022:

1. **Return To School Amidst Omicron** – thank you to the Magee administration, teachers and staff who prepared the school for return of students this week. Thank you also to each family for ensuring health checks are done each day and masks diligently worn. One area of improvement that has been identified by Magee administrators is around student social distancing. We know it is particularly challenging for teenagers to social distance! Please provide your student gentle reminders about adhering to social distancing guidance at school so we can increase the likelihood of keeping students and staff healthy.
2. **Lions' Lot Café Social** – mark your calendars! The next coffee social between parents/caregivers and available Magee administrators will be on **Friday, February 4 from 8:15- 9:00 AM** in the **Magee South Parking Lot**.
3. **Magee PAC Meeting**– the next **virtual** Magee PAC meeting is on **Tuesday, February 8, 2022 @ 7 PM**. This PAC meeting will include parent education featuring 2 guest speakers. Closer to the date, more information as well as an agenda will also be posted on the [Magee PAC website](#). Please pre-register for PAC meetings using the link below - a reminder email will be sent to you prior to the meeting:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtdumvrjoiHdcGxIKD-b-QjaMPJM\\_5ZQTE](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtdumvrjoiHdcGxIKD-b-QjaMPJM_5ZQTE)
4. **Magee PAC Fundraisers** – all funds raised by the Magee PAC are provided to Magee in consultation with parents, the Magee PAC and school staff to enhance Magee student experiences. Active fundraisers include:
  - Direct donations to the Magee PAC – can be made on the [Magee PAC website](#)
  - FlipGive – click [here](#) to join the Magee PAC team
  - Return-It Depot - provide the school phone number (604-713-8200) when you return your bottles and the money for your bottle deposits go to the Magee PAC

Full details on all fundraisers can be found on the [Magee PAC website](#)

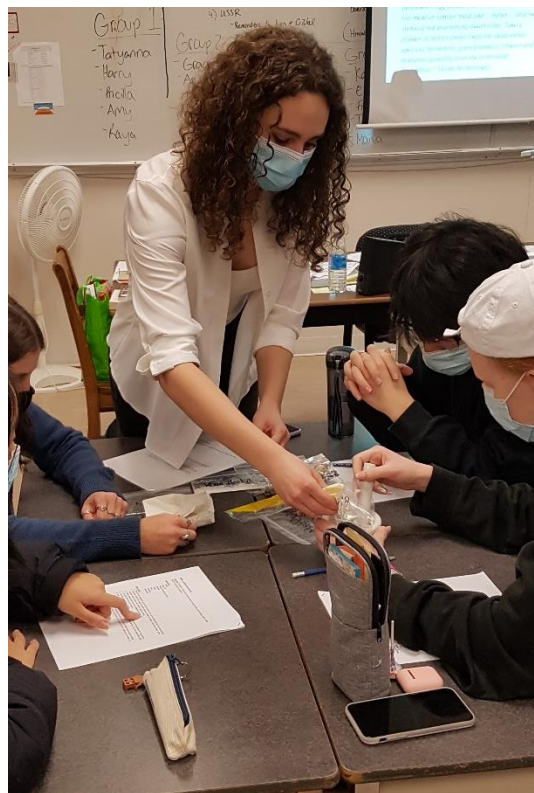
5. **WhatsApp Group** - are you interested in connecting in a WhatsApp group with other Magee parents/caregivers? If so, you are invited to join the group that one of the parents has started either through the link or QR code:  
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DeEO8VGqtM54scFxEE1p8R>
6. **BCCPAC Events** - BCCPAC (BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils) is hosting a webinar on Feb. 10 entitled "Understanding PACs from A-Z and Why They Are Important for Families." It's open to all and it's free but you do need to [register](#) in advance.



If you have any questions or would like to connect with your Magee PAC, please email us at: [pac.magee@gmail.com](mailto:pac.magee@gmail.com) or please visit the revamped Magee PAC website (<https://mageepac.ca/>) where you can find updates and information about your Magee PAC!

## Comparative Cultures 12 ...

... spent December and January presenting their year-long (Semesterised!!) research projects. Photos show some of the student work and engagement. One activity had student groups apply their knowledge of energy meridians that



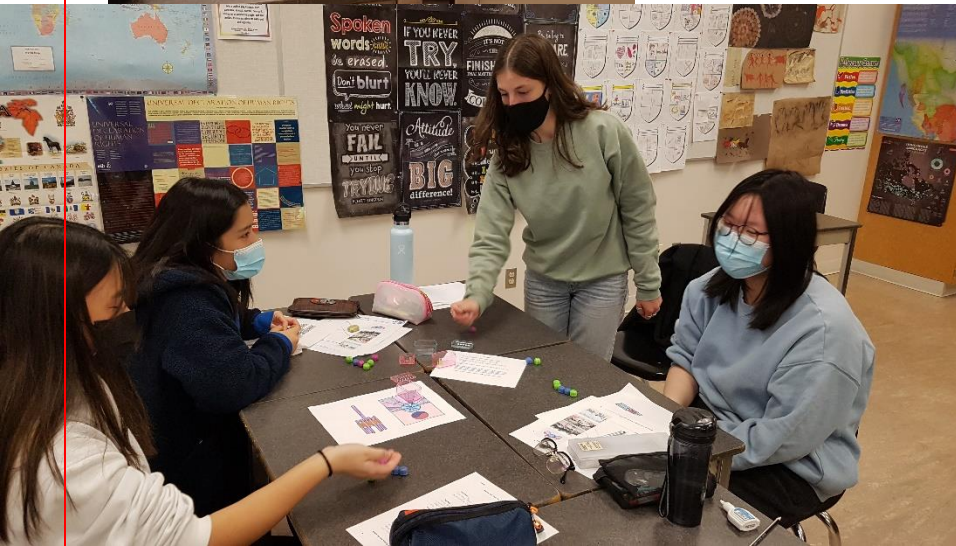
early Chinese communities believed were responsible for disease and pain. Working through case studies, students designed healing plans using acupuncture, accupresure and reflexology techniques. Finally (left, under **Ana Erdevicki's supervision**) students ground a poultice for a wound using an ancient Celtic recipe.

Other presentations include aspects of Korean, Japanese, Mayan and Persian culture

and Ancient Korea through the lens of children's games. Pictured below left are students playing Gonggi (a form of jacks) and Jegichagi (a form of hacky sack) on the right,



facilitated by **Eileen Jung!** Viking culture was presented by **Tatyanna Wilke** who focused on Viking metalwork designs that were hand drawn into a "maze" that students travelled through using chalk to mark their path (below right).





**Tatiana Wilke, Grade 11, shows her Viking inspired 12ft maize!**



### Covid resources.

Here are some resources that may be helpful ...

### [COVID-19 BC Support App and Self-Assessment Tool](#)

This site helps you to understand whether you may need further assessment or testing for COVID-19.

### [Student daily assessment app.](#)

Another excellent and very user-friendly app is the Kindergarten to Grade 12 Health Check that is either web based or downloadable to student phones. [Here](#) is the link.

### [COVID-19 Information](#)

Find information about COVID-19, how to protect yourself, your family and your community and what to do if you suspect you have the virus. Non-medical information about COVID-19 is available 7:30am-8pm, 7 days a week at 1-888-COVID19 (1-888-268-4319).

### [School COVID-19 Information](#)

The Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA) plans, manages and evaluates specialized health care services in partnership with other B.C. health authorities. School related information is available at this link.

Lastly, Coastal Health has just released an excellent **flowchart** that helps to clarify responses to exposure. This is reproduced on **page five**. You will see that there are important changes to these guidelines from 2020 and 2021; these changes reflect the endemic nature of the Omicron variant and a synthesis of responses from jurisdictions around the world.

Our counsellors ...

#### **Grade 8:**

Surnames A-Leung: Mrs. Miladinovic

Surnames Levitt-Z: Mr. Kanavos

**Grade 8 SPARTS:** Ms. Alain

**Grade 9:** Mr. Kanavos

**Grade 10:** Mrs. Alain

**Grade 11:** Ms. Miladinovic

**Grade 12:** Ms. Lercher

And (Grade) administrators ...

**Grade 8 and 9:** Mr. Petr Pospisil

**Grade 10 and 11:** Ms. Brenda Dowle

**Grade 12:** Andrew Schofield

# COVID-19 Symptoms, Testing & Return to School

**Students or staff members experiencing symptoms are to stay home and seek guidance**

(using the [K-12 Health Check](#), BCCDC [Self-Assessment Tool](#), 8-1-1 or your health care provider)

**Symptoms of COVID-19 include:**

Fever or chills	Sore throat	Headache
Cough	Loss of appetite	Body aches
Loss of sense of smell or taste	Runny nose	Nausea or vomiting
Difficulty breathing	Sneezing	Diarrhea
Extreme fatigue or tiredness		

**Go to an emergency department or call 911 if you:**

- find it hard to breathe
- have chest pain
- can't drink anything
- feel very sick
- feel confused

## If you have MILD SYMPTOMS

(or have mild symptoms and tested negative)  
**STAY HOME**

For most people, [testing is not recommended](#).

Mild symptoms are symptoms that can be [managed at home](#).

## If you TEST POSITIVE

**SELF-ISOLATE**

1. [Complete an online form to report your test result](#)
2. [Manage your own symptoms](#)
3. [Let your household contacts know](#)

## Return to School/ Work

Stay home until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities.

## If you are fully vaccinated OR less than 18 years of age

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all three of these conditions are met:

1. At least **5 days** have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
2. Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
3. Symptoms have improved.

You should avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long-term care facilities and gatherings for another 5 days after ending isolation.

## If you are 18 years of age or older AND not fully vaccinated

You can end isolation and return to school/work when all three of these conditions are met:

1. At least **10 days** have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
2. Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
3. Symptoms have improved.

## If you still have symptoms

Continue to isolate longer if you have a fever or are not feeling better. If you are unsure or concerned, connect with your health care provider, call 8-1-1, or go to an Urgent and Primary Care Centre to be assessed.

## Close Contacts

Household contacts should continue to self-monitor for symptoms and stay home if they get sick. All school students and staff members should regularly self-monitor for symptoms as usual as per the Daily Health Check. Those who develop symptoms should stay home. The best way to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19 is to get vaccinated. Vaccines are available for anyone ages 5 and up. Register now at: [Getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca](https://getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca)

## Information for Travelers

If you are a traveler returning from outside Canada and test positive for COVID-19, you need to follow the quarantine requirements set by the Federal government. Visit the Government of Canada website for more information: [travel.gc.ca/travel-covid](https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid)

Updated Jan 20, 2022, 6:00 pm

## COVID-19 Daily Health Assessment

All parents, guardians, and/or caregivers have the responsibility to conduct a Daily Health Assessment of your child(ren) each day before sending them to school.

Similarly, all VSB staff must complete a Daily Health Assessment and confirm completion each day at sign-in or with their supervisor. *Do not return this form to your school/supervisor.*

Keep a copy of this Daily Health Assessment in a handy area at home (such as in your kitchen) and incorporate this Daily Health Assessment into your morning routine, before leaving for school or work.

### Daily Health Assessment

1. COVID-19 Symptoms	Do you have any of the following symptoms?	
Fever (over 38°C)	YES	NO
Chills	YES	NO
Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
Difficulty breathing	YES	NO
Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
Sore throat	YES	NO
Loss of appetite	YES	NO
Extreme fatigue or tiredness	YES	NO
Headache	YES	NO
Body aches	YES	NO
Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
Diarrhea	YES	NO
<b>2. International Travel</b>	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	
	YES	NO
<b>3. Close Contact</b>	Have you had contact with a person who has COVID-19? You would have been advised of this by Public Health.	
	YES	NO
<b>4. Isolate</b>	Have you been told to isolate by Public Health?	
	YES	NO

#### WHAT TO DO NEXT

**If you answered "No" to all of the above (1-4), the student or staff member is welcome to attend school or work.**

**1. If you answered "Yes" to any of the above symptoms, follow the instructions below:**

SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C) Chills Cough	Loss of sense of smell or taste Difficulty breathing →
<b>1 or more of these symptoms:</b> Get tested and stay home.	
Sore throat Loss of appetite Headache Body aches	Extreme fatigue or tiredness Nausea or vomiting Diarrhea →
<b>If you have 1 symptom:</b> Stay home until you feel better. <b>If you have 2 or more of these symptoms:</b> Stay home and wait 24 hours to see if you feel better. Get tested if not better after 24 hours.	

**2. If you answered "Yes" to travelling internationally** within the last 14 days,  
*Self-quarantine for 14 days at home from the date that you arrived back in Canada.*

**3. If you answered "Yes" to being a Public Health confirmed close contact** of someone who has COVID-19,  
*Self-isolate at home for 14 days. If you also have any symptoms or develop any, get tested for COVID-19.*  
**Note:** People who are close contacts are notified by Public Health.

**4. If you answered "Yes" to having been told to isolate,** you must stay home until Public Health says it is safe to return

Access the BC COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool (<https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>) anytime to determine if you/your child should seek testing for COVID-19.