



# WINDERMERE SECONDARY *Weekly Bulletin*

We would like to acknowledge that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territory of the *xʷməθkʷəy̓əm* (Musqueam), *seɬíłwítulh* (Tseil Waututh) and *skwxwú7mesh* (Squamish Coast Salish) peoples.

**THE WINDERMERE WAY!**

- R** Respect
- E** Excellence
- A** Attitude
- C** Courage
- H** Honesty



**School Operating Hours: Please note that our office is open from 7:30 am to 3:45 pm.**

## SEMESTERS

Semester 1	Sep 7, 2021 – Jan 28, 2022
Semester Turnaround Day	Jan 31, 2022
Semester 2	Feb 1, 2022 – Jun 29, 2022

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 20 – Jan 3, 2022	Winter Vacation
Jan 4, 2022	First Day Of School After Winter Vacation

## Safety & Traffic Around Our School

Parents and guardians are reminded to abide by the traffic signs around our school and at our staff parking lots. Specifically,

- No stopping and no parking zones.
- No student drop off or pick up in the staff only parking lots.
- No driving through the staff parking lot as a shortcut.



We have had a couple of near misses and are concerned for the safety of our students and staff. Please help us keep everyone safe. Please arrange to pick up students on Windermere or Lillooet St.

## Assessments

### Literacy 10 Assessment or Numeracy 10 Assessment:

Any student in Grades 10, 11, or 12, who would like to write or rewrite the Literacy 10 Assessment or the Numeracy 10 Assessment, please register with Ms. Siddle in the Office by December 17th. These Assessments will be offered sometime during the week of Jan. 24th - Jan. 28th, 2022.

### Literacy 12 Assessment:

Any student in Grade 12, who would like to write or rewrite the Literacy 12 Assessment, please register with Ms. Siddle in the Office by December 17th. The Literacy 12 Assessment will be offered sometime during the week of Jan. 24th - Jan. 28th, 2022.

All three Assessments are required for graduation. This information has also been posted on the Grade wide Microsoft Teams for each grade.

## International Baccalaureate Applications



**BRITANNIA**  
SECONDARY SCHOOL



<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/britannia-secondary/Teaching-and-Learning/Programs/Pages/IB.aspx>



**SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL**  
SECONDARY SCHOOL



<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/sir-winston-churchill/Teaching-and-Learning/Programs/International-Baccalaureate/Pages/default.aspx>

## NEW Community School Team Coordinator

My name is Alyse Alaouze and I am the new Community School Coordinator here at Windermere. I worked at King George Secondary School in the West End for the past 9 years before moving here on Monday. I am very excited to get to know the school and the staff/students here!

I was born and raised in Vancouver and attended Kitsilano Secondary School. After high school, I went to UBC and studied sociology. I like art, cooking, reading, knitting, travelling, and spending time with friends and family. I began working for the VSB as a programmer for art programs after school and still love doing arts and crafts with students.

My office is located here at Windermere but, I also work at Bruce, Collingwood, Grenfell, Nootka, Norquay, and Renfrew Elementary Schools mostly organizing out of school time programs.

Please feel free to come by room 209 and say hi, introduce yourself, grab a snack, and learn about where you can volunteer or connect in the community! I look forward to meeting you all soon!



## Grade 12s

**GRADE 12 ASSEMBLY & AFTERNOON TEA** There will be a mandatory grade 12 assembly during FIT (1:15 - 2:05pm) on Thursday Dec. 9th. The assembly will take place in the cafeteria. Important: bring a mug to enjoy free hot chocolate or tea.

**NOTE: The cafeteria will not be available to grade 11s during FIT due to the assembly.**

### GRADS OF 2022 HOODIES

Grade 12 families: Monday Dec. 6th, 3pm, will be the last chance for grade 12s to order a Grads of 2022 Champion-brand zip-up hoodie. Available in black or navy, the grad logo will be embroidered on the left chest, and you can have your name printed on the back if you'd like. Cost is \$45 plus tax. Don't miss out, order online at VSB.SchoolCashOnline today, or bring a cheque to the main office with your order details (colour, size, name you'd like printed on the back.)

## Winter Concerts

**Winter Concerts** are happening this week!

Hey Warriors! Come and experience the fantastic talents of our own Performing Arts programs! Come and watch and listen to the Bands, Choirs, Dancers, Actors, and Strings of all kinds! There will be two concerts this week, on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Doors open at 5:45, showtime 6:30pm in the auditorium. Tickets are \$2 and are available from Mr. Robertson, Ms. Lee, Ms. Berry, and Ms. Babcock. They will also be available at the door. Don't miss out, see you there!



## PAC

Hello Windermere Community:

Our next PAC meeting is this Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 7pm via ZOOM.

As always, we will have time to answer your questions. If you know your question in advance, please submit it to [pac\\_wind@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:pac_wind@vsb.bc.ca) or chime in via the chat function on Zoom and we will make sure we ask it on your behalf.

To join the meeting, please see details below:

Via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86373633168?pwd=Tm5UclJLMVo4QlB6cW03Y2NqWEhlUT09>

Meeting ID: 863 7363 3168

Passcode: 2468

Dial in by telephone: 778 907 2071 Canada

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\*Please note there will be no PAC Meeting in January 2022. We will resume our monthly PAC meeting on February 8, 2022.

## Official Windermere Student Clubs 2021/2022 Revised Nov 30

Name of Club	Staff Sponsor	Location	Student Leader name & contact info	Date/Time for meetings	Description of club
Advertics Business Club	Ms. Chang, Mr. Mazo	110W	Reagan Leung reaganleung45@gmail.com  Instagram: @advertics.club	TBD based on member availability	Advertics members will gain experience with creating websites and social media content by participating in digital projects. We also hope to help businesses in our local community promote themselves with establishing a strong digital presence.
Anime Club	Ms. B. Ng (and Lisa Wong from VCH)	Sacred room		TBD	The anime club is where people can come together and enjoy the beauty of anime. A place where you can meet new friends with the same interests. Our activities will consist of, anime movies and shows, games, and fun quizzes with prizes. We are also open to any and all suggestions on new activities and types of anime, as long as it is appropriate.
Best Buddies	Mr. Wynn/ Mr. Raymond	114	TBD	TBD	Best Buddies is a club that plans social events and activities with the Windermere's Life Skills class. In the past, we've organized lunch-time movies, costume contests, potlucks, and basketball free-throw competitions. Membership is open to all Windermere students.
Bike Club	Mr. Tenta Mr. Tam	236 (Tech Wing) 317		TBD	Learn to maintain your bike and maybe go on group rides together.
Chess Club (Semester 1 only)	Mr. Annas	121		Friday lunch	All levels welcome!

Criticulture	Mr. Mazo	216	Instagram: @criticulture_wre	Tues lunch	Students create current events news summaries on social media
Diverse Colours Initiative (DCI)	Mr. Zess	323	Elena Nguyen elenanguyen2005@gmail.com	The club will meet every couple of months according to plans and events made by the members.	Our goal is to create a community for BIPOC youth and allies to express themselves through the creative arts. This will encourage them to pursue safe and expressive hobbies as well as “confront and seek to dismantle barriers of isolation, loneliness, and exclusion that these youth may face due to their identities within the social system that exists”.
Finance Club	Mr. Demarco	TBD	Mathew Medhanie matthewmedhanie@gmail.com	Tuesdays at lunch	For students interested in finance and investment-related topics and activities.
Games Club	Mr. Tam	317		Monday to Friday at lunch	Fostering creativity, developing problem solving and social skills
Garden Club: Windermere Sprouts	Ms. RempelMs. Dixon	Courtyard (doors by Cafeteria)	Instagram: @windermereorchard	Tuesdays & Thursdays after school	We grow food and other plants in the schools garden spaces (the courtyard and the orchard in the back field)
Get REAL (Junior and Senior)	Alyse Alaouze Lisa Litwiller	209 & 124	<a href="mailto:aalaouze@vsb.bc.ca">aalaouze@vsb.bc.ca</a> <a href="mailto:llitwiller@vsb.bc.ca">llitwiller@vsb.bc.ca</a> Instagram: @windermere_getreal	Seniors -Monday and Tuesday afterschool Juniors- Wednesday afterschool	The program is run by our community partner, Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House and with the support of Windermere Community Schools Team and Windermere staff. The aim of the program is to build and strengthen life skills, and to provide leadership opportunities for youth in the school and local community. The program is well supported by adult and peer mentors who work to foster new friendships

Grad Committee (grade 12s only)	J. Tong	307	Instagram: @wssgrad2022 Email: wssgrad2022@gmail.com  Lead Facilitator: Juana Domingo Morales Grad Merch Leaders: Gabby Araujo, Wilson Zhou Events Leaders: Ashley Stewart, Z Edwards, Sarah Akl Publicity Leaders: Michelle Zheng, Natalie Su	Combination of in-person and virtual, as needed by committees for planning.	Grad Committee organizes events, activities, grad wear and collects photos to make the final year of high school a memorable one! Leaders and volunteers work behind the scenes to incorporate ideas and feedback from grads. If you have an idea to submit to Grad Committee, check out the linktree on our Instagram or contact one of the leaders.  Any events or activities will follow covid-guidelines. We don't know yet if the graduation ceremony will be virtual or in-person. Grad Dinner Dance is also TBD based on public health orders.
GSA	Ms. Ma Ms. Nakamura	306	Instagram: @windermere_sogi	Friday lunch	GSA is a club to help amplify LGBTQ2S+ Voices. All are welcome, including allies!
Improv/Acting	Ms. Babcock	115	Instagram: @windyactnimprov Stella Jack-Rennie and Juana Domingo Morales	Tuesdays at lunch in 115 (Drama Studio)	Students will meet to learn improv and acting skills, play improv games, build confidence, make friends, and eventually host shows for the student body.
Knitting Club	Ms. Rempel	104		Wednesdays at lunch	We chill out and chat while we make many things with string and stabby-shaped sticks in a supportive environment. No experience needed and all are welcome!
Land Protectors	Lee, Melissa Yellowknee, Ms. Lidder, Heather Froste	211	Instagram: @landprotectorsclub	lunch Tuesdays and Fridays	A club for students who wish to learn about and support the TRC and UNDRIP, land protectors and Indigenous sovereignty

LRP Leadership Resilience Program	Lisa Wong (VCH)	Sacred room		Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch	The SACY Leadership and Resiliency program (LRP) is a youth leadership and engagement program serving late elementary and early secondary school youth in Vancouver. The program is open to youth attending the schools where the program operates, with priority given to youth who could benefit from increased connection to peers, adults, school and community. The program engages youth in weekly resiliency groups, adventure based programming, and community volunteer experiences to support the achievement of these outcomes. The program is by referral, so please see your school counselor or contact Lisa Wong, youth facilitator for Windermere Secondary. Contact: 604-366-6438 or Lisa.wong9@vch.ca
Main Uh Vent Dance Club	Mr. Hamlen	Dance Studio	Instagram: @windmereredance Nicole Desenganio nicole55angelou@gmail.com	Mondays: 3:15pm-5:30pm (Senior) Thursday: 3:15pm-5:30pm (Junior)	Main-Uh-Vent is a dance company run by alumni and senior students. We meet after school once a week to learn urban choreography, hip-hop history, freestyle, collaboration and choreography creation, as well as performance and competition preparation. Dance Styles include hip-hop, waacking, popping, and urban choreography. Membership by audition.
Math Contest Club	B. Ungurean	313		Tuesdays at lunch & after school	Practice skills and strategies, and enter mathematical contests.
Oasis Room	Lisa Litwiller	124		Tuesday & Wednesday at lunch	A place for Gr. 8's & 9's to hang out with friends, eat lunch, get snacks and play foosball.

Probability and Stats Club	Maggie	319		Thursdays at lunch	Enrich your math knowledge and develop critical thinking skills by working on probability and statistics activities and questions in a relaxed environment.
Reach for the Top	Maggie	319		Fridays at lunch	Trivia club, similar to Jeopardy. Open to all students.
Running Club	Ms. A. Lee	Meet in the foyer at main entrance	Steven Lee stevenchong1939@gmail.com	Tuesday & Thursday mornings 7:30am	Running Club helps you keep up your fitness, make new friends and develop new habits! Whether you're new to running or just looking to have a good time, this is the club for you. Meet us every Tuesday & Thursday morning at 7:30am in the foyer for a run, rain or shine.
Sacred Room Drop-In (open to all students) (Tech Building, B328)	Heather Froste, Melissa Yellowknee	Exit main doors and follow covered walkway to the Tech Building.		Mondays at lunch: beading workshops  Open Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays	Heather, the Indigenous Education Teacher, and Melissa, the Indigenous Education worker, provide support to Indigenous students and families. Heather and Melissa's office is in the Sacred Room, which is safe and inclusive space that celebrates Indigenous knowledge, worldviews, and culture. The Sacred Room is used for multiple purposes and is open to all students. Mondays at lunch Heather and Melissa lead beading workshops. Students are welcome to participate and learn more about the Indigenous cultures and beading techniques. Heather and Melissa are available on Monday, Tuesday, and Fridays. Please stop by to say hello, if you have any questions, and/or you would like support.



Santa's Little Helpers	Ms. Nakamura	306	Instagram: @wresantaslittlehelpers  Solomon Wong solomonwong4537@gmail.com	TBD, at lunch and sometimes virtually	Santa's Little Helpers provides volunteers and donations to support non-profit organizations helping the less fortunate. If you are interested in volunteering in the community as a group with us, please get in touch.
Stage Crew	G. Robertson	117		Tbd	Helping to run concerts and special events requiring sound and lighting
Strings Club	A. Lee	325		Tuesdays afterschool	Come and learn to play violin, cello or double bass! Bring your own instrument or you can use one of ours. If you are an experienced player, come and teach others the joy of playing your instrument. We play classical, but especially love anime music!
Student Council (StuCo)	J. Tong	307	Instagram: @windermere_stuco President: Steven Leestevenchong1939@gmail.com Vice-Presidents: Morgan Garrett, Melody Situ Secretary: Kelly Chan Treasurer: Joyce Wong	General meetings held on the first Monday of each month at 4:30pm on Teams, and all students are welcome to attend. Email Ms. Tong for the Teams meeting link. jtong@vsb.bc.ca	We are the student government of Windermere. Student Council aims to foster a sense of community, and school spirit at Windermere. We organize events, provide support to clubs to collaborate, and are the voice of Windermere students to the administration and school board. We will be keeping health and safety in mind this year as we nurture that Warrior Bear spirit. Nominations open in the spring to serve on StuCo the following school year. All students are welcome to submit a nomination. Look for details after Spring Break.

Student Officials Club (formerly known as "Scorers & Timers")	J. Maitland	Gym	Blesz Hanggoy	As dictated by Athletic schedule	Student Officials is essential to the running of our sports games. Members fill out scoresheets, run the scoreboard/clock, and/or referee games. Don't worry if you have no idea what you are doing; we will teach you!
Warrior Ambassadors	P. Macmillan	various		as needed	Warrior Ambassadors is a group of dedicated students who volunteer at school events. All students are welcome.
Weight Room	B. White	Weight Room		MTW after school	Learn how to use the Windermere weight room equipment to stay active and healthy.
Windermere For Wellness	G. Hamlen	virtual only	Instagram: @windermereforwellness Emily Shiu emilyyshiu@gmail.com	virtual only	We aim to educate students and staff about health topics, self-care, and general wellness through writing content for the Instagram account.
Windermere Health Sciences Association	G. Hamlen	virtual only	Instagram: @wrehealthsciences Ruchi Sharma 104ruchisharma@gmail.com	virtual only	Our goal is to support students who are interested in pursuing the field of health sciences through organizing events, and writing articles.



# Youth Dialogue Series on Social Justice

**How can we make British Columbia's education system more racially just for all? We want to hear your ideas, suggestions and opinions!**

Join Equitas and the Honorable, Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education, in dialogue to share your input or lived experiences of race, racism and racial justice in British Columbia's school system.



**WHO:** Students in grades 7-12 across British Columbia

- No experience necessary!
- No academic or attendance record needed!


**WHAT:** Participate in 3-4 sessions with the Minister - Receive coaching and training from Equitas and its partners (20 hours of commitment over the year).

**You will be compensated for your time and knowledge!**

For further details and how to submit an expression of interest, visit this link:

[www.speakingrights.ca/bc-youth-dialogue-series](http://www.speakingrights.ca/bc-youth-dialogue-series)

Questions? Call, text, or email us at:

 (604) 876-4881

 [bcoffice@equitas.org](mailto:bcoffice@equitas.org)

**Submissions by  
December 6, 2021**



## December 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Weekly Lunch Menu

### **Monday 6**

Soup: Beef and Rice

Special: Vegetarian Taco Bowl w/ sour cream and salsa

Entrée: (V) Mac and Cheese with Spinach Salad

### **Tuesday 7**

Soup: Cream of Leek and Potato (V)

Special: Spinach and Egg Frittata w/ side salad

Entrée: Reuben Sandwich (Corned Beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss Cheese) with Fries and Tossed Salad (V Grilled Cheese Sandwich with Fries and Tossed Salad)

### **Wednesday 8**

Soup: Black Bean (V)

Special: Mediterranean Grain Salad w/ Pita

Entrée: Salmon with Cream Cheese and Spinach in Puff Pastry Served with Green Beans (V\* Mushrooms and Leeks in Puff Pastry Served with Green Beans)

### **Thursday 9**

Soup: Vegetable

Special: Potato Paratha w/ raita and Vegetable Pakora

Entrée: Chicken Leg in Tomato Sauce, Topped with Mozzarella Cheese Served with Orzo Pasta and Peas (V\* Cheese Ravioli in Tomato Sauce with Greek Salad)

### **Friday 10**

Soup: Clam Chowder

Special: Vegetarian Bibimbap (with egg and tofu)

Entrée: Pizza (Ham and Pineapple, Peperoni, Veggie, Cheese)

**V: Vegetarian, V\*: Vegetarian Option Available (Limited)**