

MAGEE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Magee News
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1. School updates.

Our peer counsellors had been hoping to have their "Quarter Quell" games but we have had to postpone that event. Nevertheless, the show went on- the traditional Grade 8 one acts are a series of plays that our students write, produce and star in at the start of the school year as a way of connecting with new students, and as a way of making them feel really special. This year, Mrs. Byrne and Mr. Waterman- our Drama teachers- sidestepped Covid by going online with our Drama students and produced a unique digital "Magee Covid one acts" presentation. Our Vice Principal, Kelly Egilsson uploaded the show to YouTube- like teenagers around the world it is charming, awesome, unique. Here is the link:

https://youtu.be/0nGkYMgiWLc

In a very different spirit, our Remembrance Day assemblies were also done remotely. Choir and Orchestra teacher Mr. Quan coordinated an online program that teachers could show during their online or face to face classes on November 10th, or that students could watch on November 11th. The program is another example of the amazing work that your kids are doing within this Covid learning environment, and the flexibility and creativity of our teachers who spent hours learning the video editing tools and mentoring our kids. The link is hereintenant/ and mentoring our kids. The link is hereintenant/ and mentoring our kids. The link is hereintenant/ and mentoring our kids. The link is hereintenant/ and mentoring our kids. The link is hereintenant/ and hereintenant/

Grade 12 news ... Grad 2021 update ...

Hello Parents of Magee 2021Grads!

Firstly, let us introduce ourselves - Kayla Ragosin-Miler, Mel Miley- Kiss and Donna Markin (Hutnyk) - your steering committee for the Magee Dry Grad slated for June 12, 2021.

With COVID-19 there are many uncertain questions about everything, grad included. It has been decided to go ahead with plans as if it will happen with a plan B in place should it not be able to. Our kids have gone through so much these past 8 months that we feel we need to give them the celebration they deserve and have a good memory of their time at Magee.

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We cannot do this alone. We thank those that have signed up in Dr. Schofield's first message that they are interested in helping though we will need many hands in order make this happen.

The committees are:

- COMMUNICATIONS / VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
- BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
- SET UP COMMITTEE / TAKE DOWN DECORATIONS
- ENTERTAINMENT, GAMES AND PRIZES
- FOOD + HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE (organizes food for the Dry Grad Celebration).
- SAFETY AND SECURTIY (provides a safe space for the Grad class to enjoy a night of fun and entertainment).
- TIME CAPSULE AND SCROLL (Each year a Time Capsule/Memories Box and Scroll are provided by the Grad Parent Committee. The Time Capsule / Memories box is to be opened by the Grad class at the 10-year reunion).

Once a committee is formed more detailed information will be distributed in terms of budget ideas, and vendors used in the past. This is not a wheel that needs to be invented rather just organized! To this end **Mr. Schofield will be circulating (on Monday) a Google Doc survey** with committee information and signup. If you are a professional or have an interest to help, we need you. Please sign up name and contact information under your category of interest. We would like to plan a meeting in person or over zoom at the beginning of December to continue the planning process.

Please look out for Mr. Schofield's **Volunteer Google doc next Monday** and sign up in your area of interest by **NOVEMBER 25, 2020.** You will be notified about the planned meeting soon after.

Thank you for your time. This is going to be a celebration that will not be forgotten! Kayla, Mel and Donna

3. PAC Update.

Our 2020-2021 PAC School Year focus continues with... 'Creating an Engaged Parent Community: Growing Connections'

A. UPCOMING MAGEE EVENTS

1. NOVEMBER 17 AT 7 PM

TOWN HALL #2 - Transitioning to Q2

November 17 is our next town hall meeting of the year with Dr. Andrew Schofield to discuss the first and second quarter semesters experience in a Q & A by Zoom. Hopefully, you have already received a link to register but, if not, here it is:

Please register for the event in advance: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtf-2gqD8sGdF9Zlu35r2NbrUtiFSdfT8q

And add your questions or comments for Principal Schofield by Sunday, November 15th : <u>Questions and</u> Comments

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2. DECEMBER 1 AT 7 PM

GENERAL PAC MEETING - Parent Education on Connecting with your Teen!

December 1 is our next PAC General meeting and it will be a very exciting and engaging parent education event with our special guest speaker and family mediator, Brook Parkin. The registration link will be sent for this event out closer to the event date.

B. UPCOMING DPAC COMMUNITY EVENTS

NOVEMBER 26 AT 7 PM - 9:30 PM

DPAC EDUCATIONAL FORUM ON SUSTAINABILITY

PLEASE REGISTER TO ATTEND: SUSTAINABILITY: PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE

There will be speakers from the City, VSB, Ecojustice, and school and youth coming together for a highly informative and engaging presentation and Q&A Panel. When you get your confirmation email please save the date in your calendar. You won't want to miss this.

See more at VANCOUVER DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL EVENTS http://vancouverdpac.org/upcoming-events/

C. OTHER EVENTS OR PLACES TO GET INVOLVED

MAGEE SWING SITE UPDATES

Early next year Maple Grove Students will move into their new school and we will soon have the third school community of Edith Cavell as our neighbouring school in the old Maple Grove. To ensure Magee PAC remains engaged and involved we want to hear from parents who would like to be on our Magee PAC Swing Site Committee. Please email pac.magee@gmail.com with the subject heading "Joining Swing Site Committee"

DPAC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Interested in getting more involved in what is happening in VSB Facilities? DPAC also has a committee and it would be great if Magee's experience and involvement added to the conversation and learning. Contact Vik at: wik.khanna@vancouverdpac.org

D. START OF YEAR WELCOME PACKAGE FOLLOW UP

DIRECT DONATION AND VOLUNTEER FORMS

Please see if you received the forms (attached) which should have been sent home during the first part of the school year. We heard from many parents that they did not receive them so please check with your student. We have attached them here and ask that you help if you are able to support the programs and needs of the school.

All the best,

The Magee PAC Executive

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NOVEMBER EVENTS:

Nov.17 – Last day of Q1

Nov.18 – Q2 starts: Period 2.1 is Contact; 2.3 is non-contact

Nov.25 – Hold and Secure Drill @ 1:40pm

Nov.27 – ProD Day: Indigenous focus

STANDING LINKS:

VSB Webpage: Please click here

Magee School Webpage: Please click here

Magee on twitter: https://twitter.com/MageeLion

Magee PAC: Please click here

Magee Fundraising: Please click <u>here</u> Magee Music society: Please click <u>here</u>

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