



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), *seɬíɬwítulh* (Tsleil Waututh) and *skwxwú7mesh* (Squamish Coast Salish) peoples.

THE WINDERMERE WAY!

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

October 4 – 8, 2021



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

Oct. 5	PAC Meeting at 7 pm
Oct. 7	Grade 9 & 10 Immunization
Oct. 11	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 15	S1 Interims Published
Oct. 22	Pro D Day
Oct. 25	Photo Retake (Morning ONLY)

Grade 12 Information Session

All Grade 12 students and their families are invited to join an online information session on October 7th at 6 pm on Teams. Topics covered include: general graduation requirements, scholarships, and graduation events. A link to the meeting will be posted in the Grade 12 Students Team closer to the event.



Calling all Performers

The Coffeehouse is back! Are you a singer, dancer, juggler, musician, magician, comedian, slam poet, or all of these? Sharpen your skills and get ready to put them onstage! We will be in the auditorium this year.

Details: Auditions will be held during the week of October 12-15. Stay tuned!

Dress rehearsal on Wednesday, October 20 - showtime 7pm on **Thursday, October 21!**

Look for more info and a sign-up sheet outside the Choir Room, 325. You must sign up for an audition for the show.

Questions? Talk to Ms. Lee in 325 or Mr. Robertson in 117.

Clubs Days

Clubs Days will take place on Tuesday October 5 and Thursday October 7 at lunch in various locations around campus. See the attached flyer for a list of clubs with Open Houses on those days and drop-in to say hello.

CONTEST ALERT:

On Tuesday October 5 and Thursday October 7th, visit a total of **15** Windermere clubs at lunch for Windermere Clubs Days. Pick-up a stamp sheet from Student Council in the foyer. There will be some copies available from clubs, too.

Collect a stamp from each club on Clubs Days, and bring your stamp sheet to Room 307 by the end of lunch to be entered in a draw for prizes.

Winners will be announced on Friday October 8th on the All Students Teams.

Check the Student Council instagram @Windermere_StuCo or the All Students Teams for updates on how to pick-up a Clubs Days stamp sheet!

Updated Fri. Oct 1st

Windermere Clubs Days: Open-House Locations for Tuesday October 5 @ lunch (11:30am – 12:10pm)		
Club Name	Open-House Location	Description of Club
Advertics Business Club	110W (Ms. Chang)	Mission: To help struggling local businesses promote themselves by helping them establish a strong digital presence Action ideas: creating functional and appealing websites - to help businesses design social media content to represent and promote brand values - to help businesses be discoverable through promotional channels such as google maps Goal: To help students gain real world networking and business experiences while building strong connections and opportunities with local business owners.
Bike Club	Foyer (by main entrance)	Learn to maintain your bike and maybe go on group rides together.
Criticulture	216 (Mr. Mazo)	Students create current events news summaries to share on social media.
Games Club	317 (Mr. Tam)	Fostering creativity, developing problem solving and social skills
Windermere Sprouts Garden Club	Courtyard by the greenhouse (doors near cafeteria)	We grow food and other plants in the school's garden spaces (the courtyard and the orchard in the back field).
Get REAL	209	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
Oasis Club	124 (Lisa Litwiller)	The Oasis Club is a games room for students looking to make friends and hangout at lunch. Grade 8 and 9 students are prioritized at the start of the school year.
Land Protectors	211 (Lee)	A club for students who wish to learn about and support the TRC and UNDRIP, land protectors and Indigenous sovereignty.
Main Uh Vent Dance Club	Foyer	Main-Uh-Vent is a dance club that focuses on urban choreography, hip-hop history, freestyle, collaboration and choreography creation, as well as performance and competition preparation. Hip-hop, waacking, popping, and urban choreography are among the dance styles performed by Main-Uh-Vent. Learning and refining their talents, as well as exhibiting their passion of dancing to everyone, are the most essential parts of Main-Uh-Vent.
Reach for the Top	319 (Maggie)	Trivia club open to all grades. There will be a junior and senior team.
Running Club	Foyer (by the main entrance)	Running Club helps you keep up your fitness, make new friends and get 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.
Sacred room	Sacred room is in the Tech Building B328 (first door on your right) Exit from the main entrance of Windermere and follow the covered walkway to the smaller Tech Wing building.	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

Clubs Days Continues...

		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	306 (Ms. Nakamura)	Santa's Little Helpers aims to connect with the community through donation drives.
Stage Crew	117 (Band Room – Mr. Robertson)	Helping to run concerts and special events requiring sound and lighting.
Strings Club	325	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 Officials (formerly "Scorers & Timers")	309 (Ms. Maitland)	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!

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Anime Club	Sacred Room	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	110E	The Best Buddies club is a safe place where students have the opportunity to share fun memories with one another through organized events and creative activities. Together we seek to create potentially meaningful connections!
Bike Club	Foyer (by main entrance)	Learn how to maintain your bike and maybe go for rides in the community.
Chess Club	121	Drop-in and play chess with us at lunch. No experience necessary.
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GSA	306 (Ms. Nakamura)	GSA is a club to help amplify LGBTQ2S+ Voices. All are welcome, including allies!

Improv Club	116 (Ms. Babcock)	Students will meet to learn improv and acting skills, play improv games, build confidence, make friends, and eventually host shows for the student body.
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Math Contest Club	313 (Ms. Ungurean)	Practice skills and strategies and enter upcoming math contests.
Probability and Stats Club	319 (Maggie)	Enrich your math knowledge by working on probability and statistics activities and questions.
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Literacy 10 Assessment

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Any student in Grade 11 or Grade 12, who has either not written the Literacy 10 Assessment or would like to re-write it, please register with Ms. Siddle in the Office by Friday, October 8th. The Assessment will be during the first week of November.

This assessment is required for graduation.

Welcome to the 2021/2022 school year!

The Windermere PAC (Parent Advisory Council) would like to take this time to extend a warm welcome to both our new and returning students and families - with a particularly special welcome to our eighth graders. We hope you're looking forward to joining the school community and know you'll enjoy your academic career at Windermere.

The first Windermere PAC meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday, October 5th from 7pm until 8:30pm (in person or via Zoom, yet to be determined). Whether you have been attending meetings since your student/s started at the school, this is your first, or you're new to the school, we hope to see you there. As the parent or guardian of a Windermere student, you are officially a member-at-large of the PAC and always have a place at our monthly meetings. PAC meetings are a great way to learn more about the school community, meet other parents, meet teachers and administrators, and hear from guest speakers on a variety of topics that affect our students. Past topics have included social and academic anxiety, cyber-bullying, drugs and alcohol, and presentation from the gang squad. Thanks to a healthy budget from our regular grant applications the PAC doesn't need to take part in fundraising, so connection to the school and educational engagement are our focus. Your involvement will give you a greater sense of the school community and the extra-curricular opportunities available to your student/s at Windermere.

Mark your calendars! We meet at 7pm throughout the school year on the first Tuesday of the month, with the exception of September and January.

You can anticipate another email in you're in-box once we have finalized the details on the guest speaker/s for our October meeting.

See you in October!

Until then, we can be reached at the enclosed email: pac_wind@vsb.ca

Your Windermere Parent Advisory Committee Executive



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PAC AGENDA

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

7:00pm

Via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89855748778?pwd=MFd2YStEWw3WHrb0JSVEpLVU51UT09>

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| 1. Welcome | Kristina Whelton-Davis |
| 2. Trustee | Allan Wong |
| 3. Counselling Department | Barbara Ng |
| 4. Student Council | |
| 5. Administration Report | Ranjit Bains |
| 6. School Liaison to PAC | Lorraine Breton |
| 7. Treasurers' Report | Mandip Bilg and Jug Bilg |
| 8. Parents' Q & A | All |
| 9. Call for New Business | Kristina Whelton-Davis |

Upcoming:

Oct 7-Grade 9 & 10 Immunization

Oct 11- Thanksgiving Day, no school

Oct 15- S1 Interims Published

Oct 22- District Wide ProD Day, no school

Oct 25- Photo Retake (AM only)

Next PAC meeting Tuesday, Nov 2, 2021

Hello Windermere Community!

The Windermere PAC Executive would like to welcome you 2021/2022 school year. We would like to also extend an extra warm welcome to all the new families who have joined us at Windermere this year, be it new Grade 8 parents or families of students who have joined us from other grades. Welcome, Windermere is an excellent school and one we are very proud of.

You must have many questions with how things will look this coming school year. In order to facilitate that, we are dedicating our first PAC meeting to trying to answer them all. The first PAC meeting of 2021/2022 will be held virtually by ZOOM on Tuesday, October 5th at 7pm. We will be sending out a link and more information on that shortly. In the meantime, we are asking anyone who has a question to submit it to the PAC email by Oct 3rd, 2021 therefore we can compile a list of questions and provide them to our Principal, Ranjit Bains, so that she can prepare ahead of time. Our hope is that this will streamline our meeting and provide you with valuable information in an organized way. We also are expecting the Counselling Department to be present for our meeting so that they can introduce themselves to you. Your child's counsellor is often the person with the answers you are looking for. It is always nice putting a face to a name.

If you have a question for Ms. Bains, or anyone else at Windermere, please submit your question to:

pac_wind@vsb.bc.ca

Please submit your questions no later than Sunday, October 3rd.

Sincerely,

Your Windermere PAC Executive

PAC Meeting Via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89855748778?pwd=MFd2YStEWWw3WHhrb0JSVEpLVU51UT09>

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Hey Grade 12's - a couple of scholarship announcements:

1. **University of Toronto National Book Award Nomination 2022**

The University of Toronto National Book Award Program recognizes and rewards the very best Canadian secondary school students, regardless of which university those students choose to attend. Students nominated for this award are also encouraged to submit an application to the National Scholarship Program. Students must be nominated by their secondary school. For more information, please go here: <https://future.utoronto.ca/national-scholarship/about/>

- **Criteria:**
 - Canadian secondary school students intending to begin university in September 2022
 - Canadian citizens, permanent residents or protected persons
 - Students should demonstrate superior academic performance, original and creative thought, and exceptional achievement in a broad context
 - Students should excel in academic pursuits, demonstrate enthusiasm for intellectual exploration and have a strong involvement in the lives of their schools and communities
- **Award Value:**
 - Award recipients receive a National Book Award recognizing their achievements, and as a symbol of their academic potential.
 - This is a non-monetary award. It is an actual book, which includes a personalized inscription.
 - The National Book Award will be sent to your school in April, for presentation to the student at their secondary school graduation ceremony at the end of the school year.

If you would like to be considered for this award:

- Submit a 250 word **MAXIMUM** written statement demonstrating how you best fit the criteria above by **October 5th at 3 pm**
 - Please give your statement to **Ms. Rempel in 104** or hand in to the box on the **office** counter
 - Please submit **PAPER** copies only – no digital submissions
 - Please include your **name, your student number, and an email address** that you actually check on your written statement.
2. **Also, please remember to check the Scholarships channel in the Grade 12 Team. There's important information there about the **Loran Award!****

Cafeteria Weekly Lunch Menu

Oct 4th ~ 8th Weekly Lunch Menu

MONDAY 4

Soup: Chicken Noodle Soup

Special: Philly Cheese Steak Sub

Entrée: Cheese Perogies, Bacon Bits, Sour Cream & Cream of Spinach (V*: No Bacon)

Dessert:

TUESDAY 5

Soup: Bacon Chowder

Special: Vegetarian Chow Mein Noodle (V)

Entrée: Beef & Vegetable Burrito, Salsa, Sour Cream, Tater Tots (V*: Vegie Ground Burrito)

Dessert:

WEDNESDAY 6

Soup: Butternut Squash Soup (V)

Special: Beef Curry Puff

Entrée: Chicken Strips, Fries & Caesar Salad (V*: Zucchini Sticks)

Dessert:

THURSDAY 7

Soup: Tomato Soup (V)

Special: Panko Crusted Mac & Cheese (Siracha Mayo)

Entrée: Lemon Grass Chicken Leg, Coconut Jasmine Rice, Steamed Broccoli (V*: Sautee Vegetable)

Dessert:

FRIDAY 8

Soup: Lentil (V)

Special:

Entrée: Beef Shepherd's Pie with Green Salad (V*: Zucchini and tomato pie)

Dessert:

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



ENGAGED IMMIGRANT YOUTH PROGRAM

WINDERMERE WEDNESDAYS!

From 3:15 to 4:30 at Room 202. Scan the QR Code to sign up!

- Oct 13** Welcome Party!
- Oct 20** Group Guidelines and Getting to know YOU!
- Oct 27** Halloween Extravaganza!
- Nov 3** Community Connections
- Nov 10** Self-Care and YOU
- Nov 17** Art Session

This program is for newcomer students grades 10 to 12. Students are expected to follow all COVID-19 Health and Safety measures.

Sign up now to discover new opportunities, talk about topics that are important to you, and have fun!
For more information email/text Janine at jbinanitan@vsb.bc.ca / 778 229 9719

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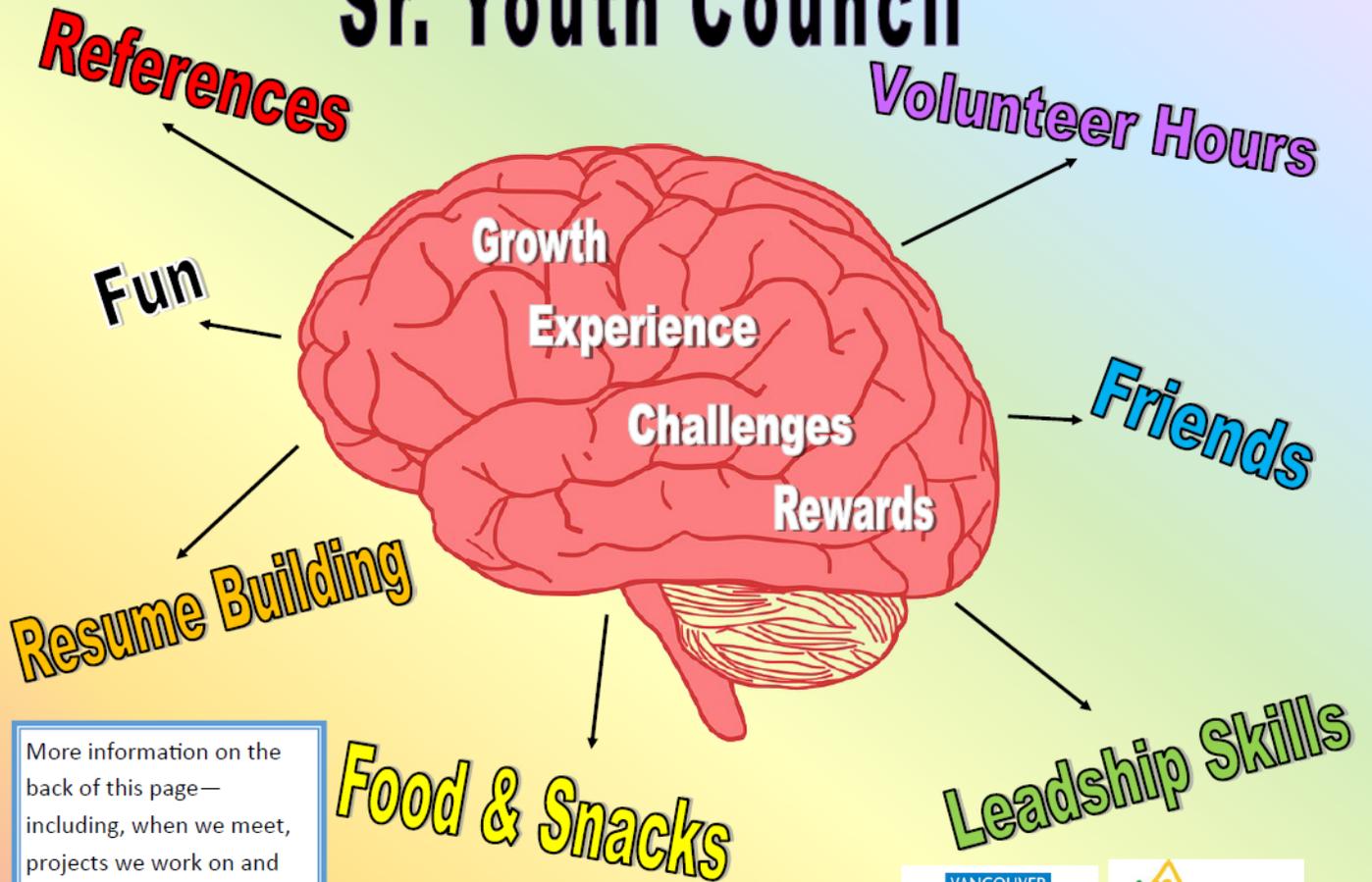
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Sr. Youth Council



More information on the back of this page— including, when we meet, projects we work on and who to contact if you have questions.





YWCA HIGH SCHOOL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Are you in Grade 11-12 and wondering about your career choice?

We match young cis and trans women, and gender-diverse youth in Grades 11 and 12 (mentees) with volunteer professionals (mentors) for a one-to-one mentoring relationship!

What to expect:

- Matches are based on career and education interests
- Meet up monthly with your mentor
- Attend relevant and free, online workshops and events

Attend an information session to learn more:

Wednesday, September 29th 4:30-5:30pm, Thursday, October 14th 4:30-5:30pm.



Details available at:
ywcavan.org/HS-mentee



Teen Programs



Snack Attack 13-18yrs

Divya Talwar

Yummy in my tummy! Come join Divya, a Dietetics student at UBC, for our snack attack program. You'll get familiar with the kitchen—preparing, cooking/baking, and eating all the food!

Fri	Sep 17-Dec 17	No sess Oct 8, Nov 12
367402	7:00pm-9:00pm	\$24/12 sessions



Sr. Youth Council 13-18yrs

Starla Bayley

Join the Community Youth Worker and learn how to use your skills to be a leader in your community. You will be tasked with helping to organize your own event, assist with centre events, and asked to support a philanthropic organization over the school year. On top of this, we will have several workshops and special presentations throughout the year. If you have any questions about the program, please email: starla.bayley@vancouver.ca

Thu	Sep 16-Dec 16	No sess Nov 11
367190	5:30pm-7:00pm	FREE

Games Room 10-18yrs

Starla Bayley & Emily Nguyen

The games room will once again be open for youth—Fridays after school. Have access to computers, pool tables, foosball, ping-pong, air-hockey and more. **Manual sign in will be required with the staff on site.**

Fri	Sep 17-Dec 17	FREE
	4:00pm-9:30pm	



Volunteer Training 13-18yrs

Starla Bayley

This training is for youth wanting to volunteer in Renfrew Park Community Centre programs/ events. This training provides hands on experience, enhances your skills in problem solving, conflict resolution and teaches you how to lead activities and games.

Pre-registration is required. If you have questions please email Starla Bayley at starla.bayley@vancouver.ca

Two separate sessions as follows:

Sat	Sep 25	370179
Sat	Oct 2	370238
	3:00pm-5:00pm	FREE

****Staff will follow all PHO orders to ensure a safer experience for all**