



#### OCTOBER 31 – NOVEMBER 4, 2022 **Monday Tuesday** Wednesday **Friday** Thursday October 31 November 1 November 2 November 3 November 4 8:40-3:10 8:40-3:10 8:40-3:10 8:40-3:10 8:40-3:10 1234 1234 1234 1234 1234 FIT Student Council presents: Go to the Go to the SPOOKTLANO **GRADE 9 TAKE OUR** to sign to sign KIDS TO WORK DAY up for your FIT period. up for your FIT period. Make a plan for what Make a plan for what you will work on and you will work on and which learning space which learning space you'll be in. you'll be in. **PEER TUTORING** PEER TUTORING 3:10 - 4:00 PM 3:10 - 4:00 PM **Skills Room** Skills Room

## **EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION**

elow are a few reminders for a safe and fun Hallowe'en.

- Students planning to wear a costume to school on Monday are reminded that their costumes cannot include clown faces, full face masks and weapons even plastic or paper ones.
  Costumes should not be culturally appropriated. Dressing up is meant to be fun and exciting but also runs the risk of offending others if costumes are offensive to other cultures.
  Please remember to keep costumes appropriate for school and respectful to all members of our school community. If you're unsure, please speak to an administrator.
  Firecrackers and fireworks are not permitted on school grounds.

## GNA 10: October 31 - November 4

Grade 10 students will be writing the Graduation Numeracy Assessment 10 (GNA 10) during the week of October 31 -November 4. Students can check their assessment date/time and location on the schedule posted outside the school office.

## Gr. 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day Forms - November 2

Grade 9 students who returned a consent form will be spending the day on Wednesday, November 2 in the workplace of a parent, relative, friend or volunteer. Grade 9 students who will not be going to a workplace will attend their classes as usual and will be required to bring work to do in classes. Parents/Guardians are to contact the school if their child will be at home for the day.

## Artona In-Studio Retake - November 19

Did you miss photo day and photo retake day? You're not too late! Artona is offering an in-studio retake on Saturday, November 19. For more information and to book an appoitment, click here.

## **AP Exam Registration**

VSB students who are self-studying AP courses may now register for 2023 AP Exams on the VSB registration site.

## Salmon Art Contest - Entries due December 5

The Pacific Salmon Foundation Salmon Art Contest is open to K-12 students. Submissions from a classroom/on behalf of a school, either individual or class, will be entered to win \$1000 towards Pacific salmon education and resources for the classroom or school. Winning entries will be featured on the PSF website and other PSF materials.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

October 31 Hallowe'en Oct. 31 - Nov. 4 GNA 10

November 2 Grade 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day

November 5 VSB Support Staff Day November 6 Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 11 Remembrance Day

November 18 Semester 1 Mid-Reports Published

November 23 Collaborative Day 3 (AM)

November 24 Parent Teacher Conferences, 3-7 PM

November 25 District Indigenous Focus Day

November 29 PAC Meeting @ 7 PM November 30 Immunization Clinic

## **Altruition Scholarship Program**

This opportunity is for youth in grades 10 -12 who could be paid for their volunteer time at Kits House as Kits House is registered with the Altruition scholarship program. If you, or a youth you know, are planning for a post secondary education - have a read through and consider applying!

Volunteers who have just graduated from Grade 9 are now eligible to apply as a Grade 10 student. These student volunteers will be able to maximize Altruition to its fullest, with the potential to earn up to the annual \$3,000 available scholarship limit for each of their Grade 10, 11, and 12 school years

## **Peer Tutoring**

Peer tutoring is available to all students on Tuesday and Thursday after schools, 3:10-4:00 PM in the Skills Room (104/105). Peer tutors provide help to students with their course work in a variety of subject areas, and one-on-one help.

## **Student Newsletter**

Check out the latest addition to the WAAG, Kitsilano Courier. See attached for the first issue of the school year.

## **Career Centre News**

See attached for upcoming post-secondary deadlines and events.

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# **CAREER CENTRE NEWS**

## Week of October 31 – November 4, 2022

## **DEADLINES**

October 31 <u>Horatio Alger Association of Canada Scholarships</u> Application Deadline

October 31 <u>Dr. M. Wosk Environmental Leadership Award</u> Application Deadline

November 15 <u>TD Scholarships for Community Leadership</u> Application Deadline

December 1 Terry Fox Humanitarian Application Deadline

March 13 <u>RE/MAX Canada Quest for Excellence Scholarship</u> Application Deadline

April 21 Kindness Foundation Nadine Marshall Scholarship Application Deadline

**EVENTS** 

Ongoing Comprehensive Canadian University Guide (CCUG) Podcast

https://anchor.fm/ccug

Ongoing <u>Post Secondary BC Events</u>, various

Ongoing <u>Creative Pathways</u>, various opportunities - paid work, programs, skills +

training, information + knowledge, networking + events within the motion picture

industry, Animation, Visual Effects and Post, and Film Adjacent sectors

Oct. 11 – Jan. 26 SFU Faculty of Applied Sciences Student Information Sessions

November 3 Western University Information Session during FIT in the Theatre; sign up required

November 4 Dalhousie University Information Session in the Theatre at lunch

November 5 <u>UBC Sauder School of Business Information Session</u>, 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

November 5 UBC Engineering Online Open House – On Campus, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

November 19 Capilano University Open House, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

December 3 <u>Dalhousie Virtual Open House</u>

February 3 <u>CANSSI Florence Nightingale Day</u> at SFU, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

## The Muffin



Song of the Week

#### **SWEET NOTHING**

This song was released with Taylor Swift's new album "Midnights" on October 21st, 2022. The lyrics explores her past relationship of 6 years and the good and bad about being in the public eye.

## JOKE OF THE WEEK

Why did the scarecrow win

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## Ten Most Haunted Places in Canada!

- 1. Tranquille Sanatorium, Kamloops, B.C. 2. Craigdarroch Castle, Victoria
- 3. Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Banff, Alberta
  - 4. Keg Mansion, Toronto
- 5. Fairmont Chateau Laurier, Ottawa
- 6. The Old Spaghetti Factory, Vancouver 7. Hockey Hall of Fame, Toronto
  - 8. Plains of Abraham, Quebec City
- 9. West Point Lighthouse, O'Leary, P.E.I. 10. Maritime Museum of British

10. Maritime Museum of British Columbia, Victoria

Amelie Andrade and Nuli Newington, grade 9

## Independants Interrupting Inclusivity

Being immersed in a more accepting society with different morals, it is unsurprising that our upbringings contradicted with those of the Independent candidates, but that does not condone the unacceptable commentary that came to lash members of our school community. The centralization cannot be how you grew up in the past, but how you choose to evolve in the present for an improved future. We welcomed both Karen Litzche and Zelda Levine with open arms, and they made the denotative choice to hypocritically express their discriminatory views through the scapegoat of freedom of speech while contradicting the freedoms of certain groups instantaneously. Implicating the delegating teachers, candidates, students, and moderators, including myself, in an uncomfortable and inappropriate position, it is evident that their arguments attempting to acquire votes did the exact opposite. Although it served as an exceptional learning opportunity and inflicted a period of growth as well as realization among the listeners, as students and allies, we will not stand for such attacks to reoccur. It is of utmost priority to ensure the safety of all students and staff, and everyone deserves to learn and work in a secure and unjudgmental environment. If this event personally hurt anyone, we urge you to reach out to a support figure to help resolve any detrimental effects this

## improved environment we created together. Lilia Hessabi

unacceptable situation may have inflicted.

United as one, we must let the sun set on

this unfortunate event, and make sure it

rises the next morning to shine on the

# Student Newsletter

# Kitsilano Courier

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#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Do you want to make a difference in the world?

Operation Christmas Child is a mission of a nonprofit organization, Samaritan's Purse, that aims to deliver toy-filled shoeboxes to children living in impoverished countries around the world. For many, they've never even had a Christmas present before.

If you would like to help, go shopping! This year, we're aiming to pack 90+ shoeboxes filled with toys and

aiming to pack 90+ shoeboxes filled with toys and essentials, including school supplies, non-liquid hygiene items, accessories, crafts and more! Gather around 15-30 items and deliver them at the dates and times below:

Nov 1st @ Hillcrest Community Centre from 4- 6pm
 Nov 12th @Hillcrest Community Centre from 1-3pm
 Come along if you're interested!

Check out the Instagram handle below for more information, questions, or to reach out!
Instagram: @op\_christmas\_child\_van

Together, we can bring joy to kids one shoebox at a time.

Evangeline Mandic, Grade 12

## Kits Fan Club Revives School Spirit

The Covid-19 pandemic affected our school

community in many ways, one of which being a

serious decrease in school spirit. Previously well attended sporting events such as basketball and volleyball games were closed to all spectators, also closing off many opportunities for the school to come together. Two grade 12 student athletes, Will Christiansen and Joshua Belasic wanted to change that this year by creating the Kits Fan Club. "As an athlete I missed the fan support and school spirit over the past two years due to Covid. I started [Kits Fan Club] to bring back Kits' sports enthusiasm and positive energy" says Christiansen when asked why he wanted to start his club. The Kits Fan Club instagram account (@kitsilano\_fanclub) posts game highlights and hilarious player of the game interviews, and you can find posters around the school outlining the various school sports games happening that week. There has been great turnout at these games recently and you can feel the Kits energy we have missed so much coming back. Sports are an integral part of our school culture and the lack of support during the pandemic has taken a toll on our community. Now post-Covid we have the opportunity to revive what was lost, and Kits Fan Club is doing just that.

Isabel Rutledge, Grade 12



Heated Debate Between School Representatives



Kitsilano's Concert Band rocking the night away!

#### Concert Band's First Performance of the Year

On the evening of Wednesday, October 19th, the Kitsilano Concert Band put on their first concert of the year. The performance was attended by family and friends. These music lovers got to see the musicians dressed in elegant black formal wear and the band's smart red bowties. The event featured a range of classical pieces such as the opening of the Second Suite in F for Military Band by Gustav Holst and Mahler's Symphony No. 2 Brass Chorale. Of course, the audience was also treated to the band's renditions of O Canada and Hail Kits. Each instrument section got the opportunity to play a chorale of their choice. These ranged from slow paced songs featuring beautiful harmonies to more melody focused pieces like Chester by William Billings, which the percussion section played. For many of the Grade 9 students, this experience was completely new and exciting because it was their first concert. Every student was able to showcase what they have learned and diligently practiced. Diverse sections and parts came together to create a successful concert. The Concert Band looks forward to giving more great performances throughout the year and seeing supportive members of the Kits community in the crowd.

Niam Price Patel, Grade 11

## Grade 12's First Spirit Week

This year's Grad council leaders Emma Sexsmith-Tsuji and Alec Read, with the help of Grad council members, planned the first spirit week of the year. During the week of Oct. 24 to the 28th grade 12's showed their spirit by dressing as the fun prompts voted on by Grad Council. To start off the week, Monday was 'Anything but a Backpack Day' students brought fun items to replace their backpacks with such as coolers, suitcases, and shopping baskets. Tuesday, grade 12's teamed up for twin day, Charlotte Simpson (12) said she "was surprised to see so many grades 12's participating!" as students' outfits were posted to the Kitsgrad23 Instagram account. Wednesday was 80's workout day and Thursday BBQ dad vs Soccer mom. On Friday, the grade 12's wore monochromatic outfits, in all different colors to close off spirit week. The first Spirit week was a success and a wonderful opportunity for the grade 12's to show

spend their last year at Kitsilano.

Micah Low, Grade 12

their spirit and have fun while under the stress of

senior year. Throughout the year Grad council plans

on setting up more spirit weeks, as the grade 12's



Entry by donation: Proceeds will go to a selected program run in Musqueam.