



Community Newsletter

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With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəyəm (Musqueam), Sḵwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).

Principal's Message

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to Semester 2! We hope all students had a fantastic first full week in their Semester 2 classes.

Over the past two weeks, counsellors have met with students to go over course planning for the 2025-2026 school year. You are invited to find our course planning book, course planning selection forms, and PowerPoint presentations posted to the [course planning section of our school website](#). All students are to complete their course selections on the [MyEd BC Student Family Portal](#) and hand in their course selection forms to the counselling suite by Friday, February 21. If you have any questions, you are welcome to connect with your [school counsellor](#).

We are grateful to our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) who organized a spectacular Lunar New Year community event last Friday, January 31st. Our students and staff were treated to a lion dance, multiple performances, and delicious food. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who helped put on this wonderful event!

We are delighted to welcome our sister school visitors from Minami School in Yokohama next Monday and Tuesday. Thank you to our student volunteers for showcasing our school and continuing our sister school relationship. Thank you as well to our Senior Art Studio and Ceramics students for all their work in setting up the stəywəte:ń Point Grey Senior Art Studio Exhibition at the VSB Education Centre from January 29 to February 28. If you find yourself at the VSB Education Center this month, you are invited to please stop by the VSB Student Art Gallery to admire our students' art.

In this newsletter, you will find information about school goals, school office reminders, communicating student learning, graduation information, counselling updates, athletics highlights, PAC information, and important dates for 2024-2025. Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and for connecting with your students about their learning.

With Appreciation,

Michelle Wood
Principal

Mission Statement and School Goals

We are committed to supporting and teaching a diverse group of students to learn, to critically reflect, and to care for themselves and others as they prepare to find their places in the world.

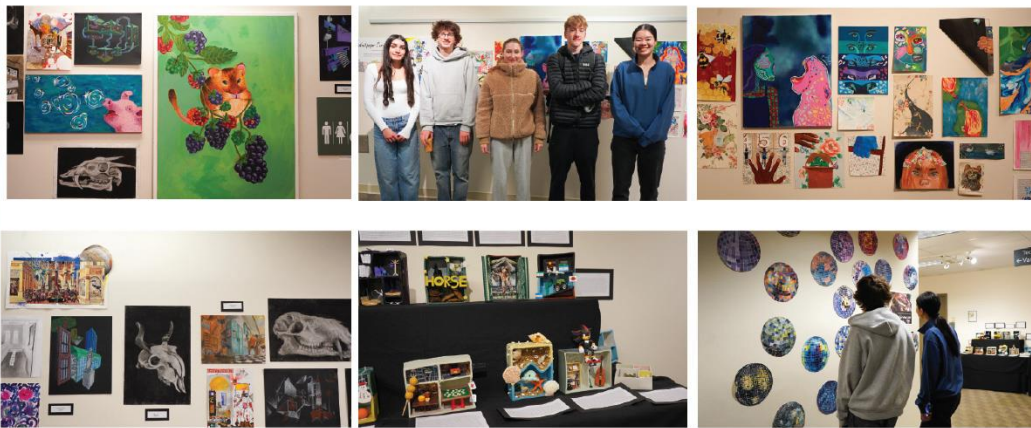
School Goals:

1. *Help students build self-regulation skills to improve well-being and belonging.*
2. *Create an inclusive and equitable school environment where all students feel valued and supported.*

POINT GREY – SENIOR ART STUDIO EXHIBITION

January 29 - February 28, 2025

VSB Student Art Gallery,
Education Centre - 1580 West Broadway, Vancouver



School Office Reminders – Attendance Procedures

Parents/Guardians, please email pointgreyattendance@vsb.bc.ca if reporting absences. Subject teachers may also be included in the email. Staff email addresses can be found on our [school website](#) under About Us > Our Staff

Please make sure to include in the email the following information:

1. Student's first and last name
2. Student number
3. Grade
4. Date(s) of absence
5. Time of absence or periods of missed classes
6. Reason for absence

Communicating Student Learning

The purpose of assessment is to move learning forward in an equitable and inclusive way. It helps us answer the following questions:

- Where am I now?
- Where am I going?
- How do I get there?

Each reporting period is an opportunity to celebrate learning and offer feedback for future learning. These reports will be available from the [MyEducation Student Family Portal](#) for four weeks. Parents/Guardians are also encouraged to contact individual subject teachers or counsellors for information on student progress.

Reporting Timeline	
Semester 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Informal Learning Update published October 10, 2024 ○ Written Learning Update published November 21, 2024 ○ Summary of Learning published January 30, 2025
Semester 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Informal Learning Update published March 13, 2025 ○ Written Learning Update published April 25, 2025 ○ Summary of Learning published June 26, 2025
Full Year Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Informal Learning Update published November 21, 2024 ○ Written Learning Updates published January 30 & April 25, 2025 ○ Summary of Learning published June 26, 2025

Parent-Teacher Conferences

There will be two Parent-Teacher Conference Evenings this year. One was on **Thursday, November 7, 2024** (for Semester 1) and the next one will be on **Tuesday, May 6, 2025** (for Semester 2). More information to come closer to the date.

Graduation 2025 Information

Yearbook Reminder

A polite request from the yearbook class: Reminder to all Grade 12s to please fill out their yearbook quotes and votes. There is a post on the Grade 12 MS Team and the due date is Friday, February 14th. Thanks!

Graduation Prom

The 2025 Grad Prom will be at the Pan Pacific Oceanview rooms on **Thursday, May 15, 2025** from 6:00pm-11:00pm. Doors will open at 5:30pm, and it is hoped that grads will stay at the Prom until at least 10:30pm. Stay tuned for more information to come!

Graduation Ceremony

The 2025 Graduation Ceremony will be held at the UBC Chan Centre at 4:00 pm on **Tuesday, June 24, 2025**. More information about the Ceremony to come in the next few months.

Counselling Update

Course Planning for the 2025-2026 school year has begun! This is an exciting time for students as they begin to think about plans for the following school year. The counselling staff will be working closely with students on providing information on courses and pathways.

We know that you may have questions about your child's course planning. The [course planning guide and powerpoint presentations are available on the stəywəte:ń Point Grey website](#) for you to review with your child. The presentations are also available for students on MS Teams.

The deadline for all students to submit their forms and enter their courses into [MyEdBC](#) is Friday, February 21. Thank you for connecting with your child about their course planning for 2025-2026. Please connect with your child's counsellor if you have any questions.

- Lisa Agius, Counsellor for Gr 9s & Gr 8s (Last Names A-C)
- Doris Sandri, Counsellor for Gr 10s & Gr 8s (Last Names M-R)
- Janice Sim, Counsellor for Gr 11s & Gr 8 (Last Names D-L), Department Head
- Kasey Chittenden, Counsellor for Gr 12s & Gr 8 (Last Names S-Z)

Athletics Highlights

Fall Season Highlights:

Our senior girls' volleyball team won cities and finished 8th in the province! We also had athletes compete in provincials for aquatics and cross country.

Winter Season Update:

We are running four boys' basketball Teams (bantam, juvenile, junior and senior), two girls' basketball teams (bantam and junior), a girls' ice hockey team, a boys' table tennis team and a boys' and girls' wrestling team. Go Greyhounds!

Spring Season Preview:

Spring sports include tennis, badminton, girls' soccer, track & field, ultimate, senior boys' rugby, golf, and girls' softball. If there are any parents and guardians who would like to help coach, please contact Athletic Director, Julie Douglas.

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

Thank you to all parent who helped with the Lunar New Year Celebration Event!

All parents and guardians are invited to join the remaining PAC Meetings for the 2024 – 2025 school year:

- Thursday, February 20, 2025 @ 7:30pm - Virtual Meeting - *Zoom link to be sent out closer to the date*
- Wednesday, April 10, 2025 @ 7:30pm
- Tuesday, June 3, 2025 - AGM @ 7:30pm

Calendar Dates to Note for 2024-2025

February 2025

- 10 to 11 Minami Sister School Visit
- 12 Late Start @10:10am for Staff Collaborative Planning
- 14 District-Wide ProD Day (*non-instructional day*)
- 17 Family Day (*school not in session*)
- 18 Grade 8/9 Assembly @ FIT: Team up to End Racism
- 20 PAC Meeting @ 7:30pm (*virtual*)
- 21 Course Request Deadline
- 24 Music Supporters' Society Meeting @ 7pm (*virtual*)
- 25 Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm (*virtual*)
- 26 Pink Shirt Day

March 2025

- 11 Core Competency School-Wide Activity @ FIT in homerooms
- 12 Grade 8 ADST Rotation 1 Ends
- 13 Grade 8 ADST Rotation 2 Begins
- 13 S2 Informal Learning Update published at 3:00pm
- 14 Last Day before Spring Break
- 17 to 28 Spring Break (*school not in session*)
- 31 School Reopens after Spring Break

April 2025

- 1 to 2 Minami Sister School Visit
- 7 to 11 Gr 10 Literacy Assessment
- 8 Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm (*in person*)
- 9 Early Dismissal @ 1:35pm for Staff Collaborative Planning
- 10 PAC Meeting @ 7:30pm
- 14 Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm (*virtual*)
- 16 Last Day for Rotation P1, 2, 3, 4
- 17 First Day for Rotation P2, 1, 4, 3
- 18 Good Friday (*school not in session*)
- 21 Easter Monday (*school not in session*)
- 23-28 Senior Music Trip to Anaheim, CA
- 25 S2 & FY Written Learning Update Published at 3:00pm
- 25 Parent-Teacher Conference Online Bookings Start @ 7pm
- 28 District Wide ProD Day (*non-instructional day*)
- 29 Grade 11/12 Assembly @ FIT: ICBC Road Sense

May 2025

- 1 Parent-Teacher Conference Online Bookings Close @ 9am
- 7 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 7 Early Dismissal at 2:05 pm
- 9 Night of Jazz Concert @ 6:30pm
- 12 Grade 8 ADST Rotation 2 Ends
- 13 Grade 8 ADST Rotation 3 Begins
- 13 Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm (*virtual*)
- 15 Grade Prom @ 6pm-1pm (*Pan Pacific*)
- 14 Late Start @10:10am for Staff Collaborative Planning
- 16 School Based ProD Day (*non-instructional day*)
- 19 Victoria Day (*school not in session*)
- 20 to 27 Student Council Nomination Week (STUCO)
- 26 Music Supporters' Society Meeting @ 7pm (*virtual*)
- 29 to 30 Theatre Company Spring Show @ 7pm

June 2025

- 3 PAC AGM @ 7:30pm
- 4 Athletics Banquet @ 3:15pm-5pm
- 5 Junior Spring Concert @ 7pm
- 9 to 13 Mini Grade 9/10 Trip to Ashland, OR
- 10 Core Competency School-Wide Activity @ FIT in homerooms
- 11 Early Dismissal @ 1:35pm for Staff Collaborative Planning
- 11 Senior Spring Concert @ 7pm
- 12 Locker Clean Up @ FIT
- 17 Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm
- 19 Grad Picnic & Yearbook Distribution @ lunch
- 19 Grad Mandatory Rehearsal, Gown & Ticket Pick Up @ P4/3
- 20 Locker Clear Out @ FIT
- 20 Student Council Carnival
- 24 Grad Ceremony @ 4pm (*Chan Centre*)
- 24 Last Day of Formal Classes
- 25 & 26 IE Days (*no formal classes*)
- 26 S2 & FY Summary of Learning Published at 3:00pm



Be in the know, winter is coming!

Follow VSB on social media to stay updated about school closures due to severe weather.

During extreme weather conditions (heavy snowfall, extreme cold, freezing rain, extreme heat, etc.) VSB schools will remain open if possible.

If a District-wide closure is necessary, it will be announced by 6:30 a.m.

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