

February 2026

KING GEORGE SECONDARY SCHOOL



King George Dragons Monthly Newsletter



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

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Dear Students, Staff, and Families,

As we move into February, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the strength and resilience our school community has shown in recent weeks. Coming together after tragic events is never easy, yet the compassion, care, and support demonstrated by our students, staff, and families has been extraordinary. Thank you for lifting one another up and reminding us what it truly means to be a community.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to our staff. Beginning a new semester requires tremendous energy, preparation, and commitment, and your hard work has ensured a smooth and positive start for our learners. Thank you for everything you do each day to make our school a safe, engaging, and inspiring place for students.

To our students: over the next three weeks leading up to Spring Break, I encourage you to stay focused, use your class time wisely, and put forward your best effort. These weeks are important for building strong learning habits and setting yourselves up for success throughout the semester. This is also the time to complete your course selections for next year. Please take the process seriously—ask questions, talk to your teachers and counsellors, and choose courses that challenge you and align with your goals and interests.

Thank you all for your continued dedication to our school community. Let's continue supporting one another and making this a month of growth, connection, and momentum.

Warm regards,

Tyler Evans
Principal

Top stories in this newsletter



Dates To Remember



Semester 2 Interim Report



Class of 2026



School Play



VSB Podcast



	
Friday, March 5	Semester 1 Interims Published
Wednesday, March 11	PAC Meeting (pm) - Details to follow
Monday, March 16 to Friday, March 27	Spring Break
Friday, April 3	Good Friday
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday



Semester 2 Interim Learning Update

Grade 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 students, your child's Semester 2 Informal Learning Update (Interim) will be available to access online via your child's MyEducation BC account on **Friday, March 6**. Informal Learning Update reports will provide Descriptive Feedback on your child's progress:

Descriptive Feedback:

- Tells you what your child can do
- Tells you what your child needs to work on
- Tells you how your child interacts in the classroom
- Provides strategies to help your child further their learning

For more information, please see the attached link from the Ministry of Education and Childcare:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergarten-to-grade-12/information-for-parents-and-caregivers-what-is-descriptive-feedback.pdf>

Please follow the guidelines on the school website, to ensure you can access your report card online.

[Account Management \(vsb.bc.ca\)](https://vsb.bc.ca)
[MyEducation BC: Log On \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://gov.bc.ca)

Please check with your child to confirm the password details, otherwise you may disable the account. Please ensure that both the parents and child share and know the password. Always go to preferences to set the primary email to your child's personal email account. If your account gets disabled, please contact the main office to get your password reset.



COURSE SELECTIONS

Course Selections have been completed by your child during the last few weeks. If you have any concerns/questions about their course selection, please contact their counsellor via email:

Grade 8 (A-J), Grade 10, Grade 12
Ms. J. Miki jmiki@vsb.bc.ca

Grade 8 (K-Z), Grade 9, Grade 11
Mr. S. Derganc sderganc@vsb.bc.ca



GRAD CEREMONY (Dinner & Dance Information)

GRAD DINNER & DANCE:

Date: Friday, June 5, 2026

Location: Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront

Address: 1133 West Hastings Street, Vancouver

Time: Students arrive between 6 - 7pm - Dinner/Dance is from 7:00-11:00pm

Cost: \$150.00

GRAD CEREMONY:

Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Location: Vancouver Playhouse

Address: 600 Hamilton Street, Vancouver, BC

Time: 2:00 - 4:00pm

Cost: \$110.00

If you have not already done so, please pay your Grad Ceremony and/or Grad Dinner Dance fees on-line as soon as possible at

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

KG Grad Activity Calendar Spring 2026

Thursday, April 2	Valedictorian Nomination Form <i>(Form available in MS Teams Grade 12 Channel)</i>
Friday, April 17	Grad Yearbook Quote Deadline <i>(Form available in MS Teams Grade 12 Channel)</i>
Friday, April 24	Valedictorian Nomination Deadline
Wednesday, April 29	Staff Scholarship Committee Valedictorian Shortlist
TBA	<p>Period 3 & FIT Grad Assembly – Mandatory Attendance</p> <p>Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kevin Brooks CLC Reminder Valedictorian mini-speeches & voting Fee payment reminder <p>Crossing the Stage Quotes Open <i>(Form available in MS Teams Grade 12 Channel)</i></p>
Monday, May 25	Payment Deadline for School Leaving Ceremony and Grad Dinner & Dance
Friday, June 5	Grad Dinner & Dance Cordova Ballroom Pinnacle Hotel Arrive 6:00-7:00 ends 11:30pm
Monday, June 8	Crossing the Stage Quotes Deadline
Friday, June 12	FIT Grad Rehearsal – Mandatory Attendance, Gown Pick-up After School
Tuesday, June 16	School Leaving Ceremony Vancouver Playhouse 2:00-4:00 pm
Tuesday, June 23	Last day of scheduled classes

Student and Parent Learning Survey Grade 10, 11 and 12

Student Learning Survey 2025/2026

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2026** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades Grades 10, 11 and 12, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 1, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604-713-8999

SCHOOL PLAY



Theatre Company and Production students have been rehearsing for this year's school play *The Doctor in Wonderland* by Don Zolidis. Show dates are April 28th-May 1st, 2026.

Synopsis: "Wonderland is no longer just in the mind of Alice. In Don Zolidis' new parody, Dr. What and his companion Cara crash into Wonderland. When the two are separated they meet all the usual suspects, mainly the Queen of Hearts, who is ready to chop off the heads of anyone who crosses her. It's up to the time travelling duo to escape and get their phone booth fixed before it's off with their heads."

Core Competencies Goal Setting with Jack Thomas

On February 17, students heard the inspirational story of Canada's Got Talent contestant, [Jack Thomas](#), who overcame adversity of a life changing work accident and the struggles following to pursue his dream of having a music career. Jack shared his family background, the importance of speaking up in unsafe work environments, and never giving up on one's goals; he even demonstrated his musical talents through live drum performances.

Students were asked to reflect on Jack Thomas' story as they set their Core Competency goals for Semester 2 in Spaces EDU. You may ask your child about their goals by having them access their [Spaces EDU account](#).





Local Community Activities Consent Form

Many of our teachers provide field trip opportunities that are within walking distance of King George. In order for your child to be able to attend, please complete the Local Community Activities Consent form on <https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca/>, so they may go with their classmates. If this form is not completed, your child will not be able to participate.

When logging in using the VSB Credential Option, you will need to use your child's @learn.vsb.bc.ca address. If this does not work, please use your child's PEN Number option. (Your child's PEN is shown at the top of your child's last report card)

SOCIAL MEDIA AWARENESS FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

If you have questions about Social Media, Digital Citizenship, Cyberbullying, Internet Lingo/Slang Terms, Sexting, and Privacy, please visit the following resource for information:

<https://saferschoolstogether.com/resources/parent-caregiver-resources/>



In our podcast, **VSB: After The Bell**, you'll hear directly from those responsible for our publicly funded education system. This podcast gives listeners a direct and inside look at Vancouver's public school system and the people in it. Tune in for candid, intimate and honest conversations about what's happening in schools. We'll have conversations with students, educators, decision makers and staff about vital events, topics and issues in education.

Episodes will be released monthly. Tune in the last Thursday of every month, and don't forget to subscribe to VSB: After The Bell on Apple Podcasts, Spotify or wherever you listen to podcasts. <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/60332/podcast>



Free English Classes in Vancouver

Canucks Family Education Centre (CFEC), in partnership with South Hill Education Centre (VSB), will be offering **free English Foundations classes for adults** (refugee claimants, convention refugees, permanent residents and Canadian citizens).

LOCATION

Britannia Secondary School, 1001 Cotton Drive, Room 109A, Vancouver

SCHEDULE

February 3 – June 17, 2026

- **English Foundations 2-4**
Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30 – 11:45 a.m.
- **English Foundations 5-7**
Tuesday & Wednesday 12:15 – 2:30 p.m.

Pre-registration:
<https://forms.gle/jfLDUJKuHqKHNPsn9>



For more information, contact Lina Arias at lina.cfec@gmail.com

The Magee PAC is hosting a talk by Kim Barthel about the Teenage Brain. We would like to warmly invite VSB secondary school communities to this talk. We hope parents, caregivers, teaching staff and teens can attend.

Magee Secondary is hosting a talk on the Teenage Brain

Speaker: KIM BARTHEL

ADOLESCENCE MATTERS: THE TEENAGE BRAIN

Date: April 21, 2026

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Location: Magee Secondary

Address: 6360 Maple St, Vancouver, BC V6M 4M2

Join us for an insightful presentation by internationally renowned expert Kim Barthel on the fascinating world of the teenage brain. "Adolescence Matters: The Teenage Brain" will explore the unique developmental changes and challenges faced by teens, providing valuable understanding for parents, educators, and anyone interested in youth development.

Schedule:

Youth Wellness Fair: 6:00-7:00pm

Attendees are encouraged to explore wellness resources and exhibits

Kim Barthel presentation in Magee Theatre: 7:00-9:00pm

Doors open at 6:15pm for general seating

Ticket Information:

General Admission tickets: \$25

Early bird tickets: \$20 (before March 1st, 2026)

Youth admitted free with accompanying adult

Tickets are required for entry and sold online @

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/.../182293/196/False/True>

MAGEE SECONDARY SCHOOL PAC PRESENTS

KIM BARTHEL

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THE TEENAGE BRAIN

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Ticket Information:

- General Admission: \$25 (\$20 Early bird pricing until March 15)

Youth admitted free with accompanying adult
check out www.kimbarthel.ca or www.mageepac.ca

Ticket purchases can be made using this QR code

RAINCITY BASKETBALL CLUB

Spring 2026 Club Season Approaches

- *Spring Season will officially run Mar. 30th - Jun. 21st. (12 Weeks)
- *Summer Season will officially run Jun. 22nd - Aug 16th (8 Weeks)
- *Purple 1 & Purple 2 teams are top teams with travel and local schedules
- *Drip teams are development teams that train and play in Vancouver only
- *All Teams will train and play 3 days a week min.

All players interested in joining Raincity Basketball need to sign up for ID Sessions starting Feb. 22nd - Mar. 15th 2026.

[Click here on how to join our upcoming club teams](#)

Please email info@raincitybasketball.ca if you are NOT able to make your scheduled session.



When reporting student absences, Please have your parent/guardian send an email to kinggeorge@vsb.bc.ca excusing your absence.

- Send the email to your teacher as well. (Staff directory): [click here](#)
- Make sure to add the following:
 - Your full name
 - Student number
 - Date(s) and classes you are/were absent for
 - Reason for absence. Students should contact their individual teachers about the learning that they have missed during their absence.

For more information about the class or classes missed, please refer to the MyEd Family Portal <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>. [Viewing Attendance Absences](#)