



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 xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Nation).

Principal's Message

Dear Students and Families,

We have some news to share with you: as of Spring Break, our wonderful Office Administrative Assistant, Ms. Laura Lu, is retiring after more than 20 years of dedicated service to our school. The lovely Laura Lu is truly the heart of our school community – organized, thoughtful, intelligent, and always one step ahead of every need. She finds solutions before we even realize we have anything to solve. While we will deeply miss Laura's exceptional care at our school, we are so happy for her as she begins her retirement. On behalf of our entire school community, we invite you to join us in celebrating and congratulating Laura!

We also would like to highlight that Semester 2 Informal Learning Updates (Interim Reports) are published for students and families today. Thank you for taking the time to ensure that you can log on to the [MyEd BC student and family portal](#) so that you are able to access these Informal Reports. If you need help accessing MyEd BC, please [click here for instructions](#) or contact our school office. Informal Learning Updates are an opportunity for an early check in as to how learning is going for our students. Please know that if students and families have any questions about how learning is going, you are always welcome to connect with teachers and counsellors.

In this newsletter, you will find information about school office reminders, communicating student learning, athletics, music, and math contest highlights, counselling updates, PAC updates, and important dates for the remainder of our school year. Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and for connecting with your students about their learning. We wish all our students, families and staff a restful, relaxing and rejuvenating upcoming spring break.

With Appreciation,

Michelle Wood
Principal

Mission Statement

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.

PG 2026
Grad Class



DOUGH RAISER

February - June, 2026

USE COUPON CODE "PGG"
FOR 25% OFF ALL MENU ITEMS AND WE WILL DONATE
20% OF ALL SALES
USING THIS CODE TO

Point Grey Grad

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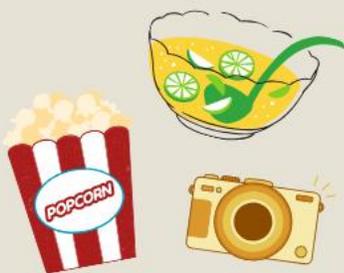
March to June order using the PGG code at Dundar,
UBC, West Broadway, Oak Street or Kits locations

Fundraiser for our Grad Class of 2026



All PG grad students & families,
PG staff are welcome!

POPCORN PUNCH & PHOTOS



grad@pointgreyparents.org

Thursday June 18
1:30-5:00 pm in cafeteria
after Grad Rehearsal & BBQ

Save the Date: June 18th - Popcorn, Punch & Photos for our Grad 2026 and Families

School Office Reminder – Attendance Procedures

Parents/Guardians, please email pointgreyattendance@vsb.bc.ca for reporting absences. Please make sure to include in the email the following information to avoid delays in updating attendance records:

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

VSB School Forms

If you haven't already done so, please complete the required VSB student forms online. These forms only need to be completed once, and you will not need to submit them again each school year unless you wish to change your consent for any of the forms. **Please visit:** <https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca>. To log in you will need the student nine-digit PEN # (Personal Education Number). Please note this is different from the School Student #. The PEN # can be found:

- On any previous report card;
- Logging into MyEd, under top tab My Info; or
- Clicking "Request Student PEN" on the sign-in page at <https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca>



Display for International Women's Day - Library Learning Commons

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**. Please ensure you download or print a copy for your records. Parents/Guardians are also encouraged to contact individual subject teachers or counsellors for information on student progress.

Reporting Timeline

Semester 1

- Informal Learning Update published **October 10, 2025**
- Written Learning Update published **November 20, 2025**
- Summary of Learning published **January 30, 2026**

Semester 2

- Informal Learning Update published **March 6, 2026**
- Written Learning Update published **May 1, 2026**
- Summary of Learning published **June 25, 2026**

Full Year Courses

- Informal Learning Update published **November 20, 2025**
- Written Learning Updates published **January 30 & May 1, 2026**
- Summary of Learning published **June 25, 2026**

Parent-Teacher Conferences

There are two virtual Parent-Teacher Conference Evenings this school year:

The first was on **Thursday, November 6, 2025** (for Semester 1) and the other will be on **Tuesday, May 12, 2026** (for Semester 2). Instructions for booking will be emailed home at the end of April.

You are also welcome to contact your child's teacher [directly by email](#).

Athletics Highlights

With the spring break almost here, we say goodbye to the winter season:

- Our Bantam Girls' Basketball team won the most playoff games of all our basketball teams this year. They lost a nail biter to finish 4th in the city.
- The Girls' Ice Hockey team is playing for third place today (Friday, March 6) at 2 pm at Kerrisdale Arena. Good luck!
- Our Table Tennis, Wrestling, Ski and Snowboard teams all did a great job competing at Provincials.
- All fall and winter uniforms should have been handed in already! Please check your closets and return ASAP.

Spring teams are already up and running! Tryouts have been completed for the following teams: Junior and Senior Badminton, Bantam Boys' Volleyball, Junior and Senior Ultimate. Teams that are just getting started are: Tennis, Golf, and Girls' Soccer. Track and Field has already started to practice but it isn't too late to join. Competition for all sports start right after Spring Break.

To find out when teams plays, check out the website www.vancouverschoolsports.ca. GO HOUNDS!

~ Julie Douglas, Athletic Director

Music Highlights

Yesterday evening, PG hosted the annual VSB District Jazz Festival where nine VSB Secondary schools across the city participated in this highly anticipated musical event.

Performing groups included PG's Jazz A and B Bands, Hamber, Magee, Byng, John Oliver, Van Tech, David Thompson, Churchill, and Killarney. Three renowned guest adjudicators included:

- PG's former Music Department Head, Brent Taylor,
- Jodi Proznick, renowned Canadian Juno bassist and composer, and
- James Danderfer, award winning saxophonist and clarinetist.



They each gave participating schools a clinic session after their performance onstage. Congratulations musicians!

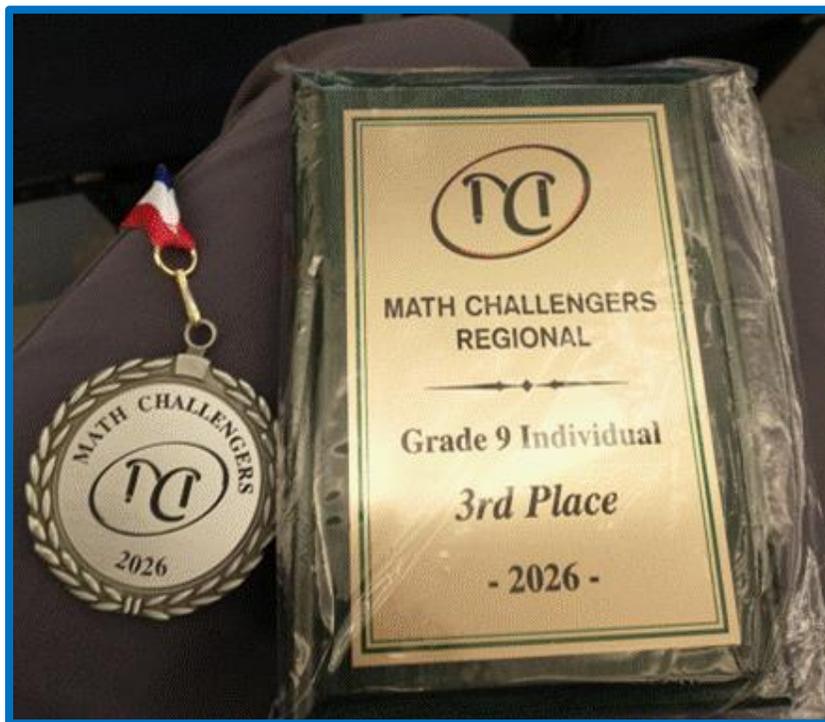
Math Contest Highlights

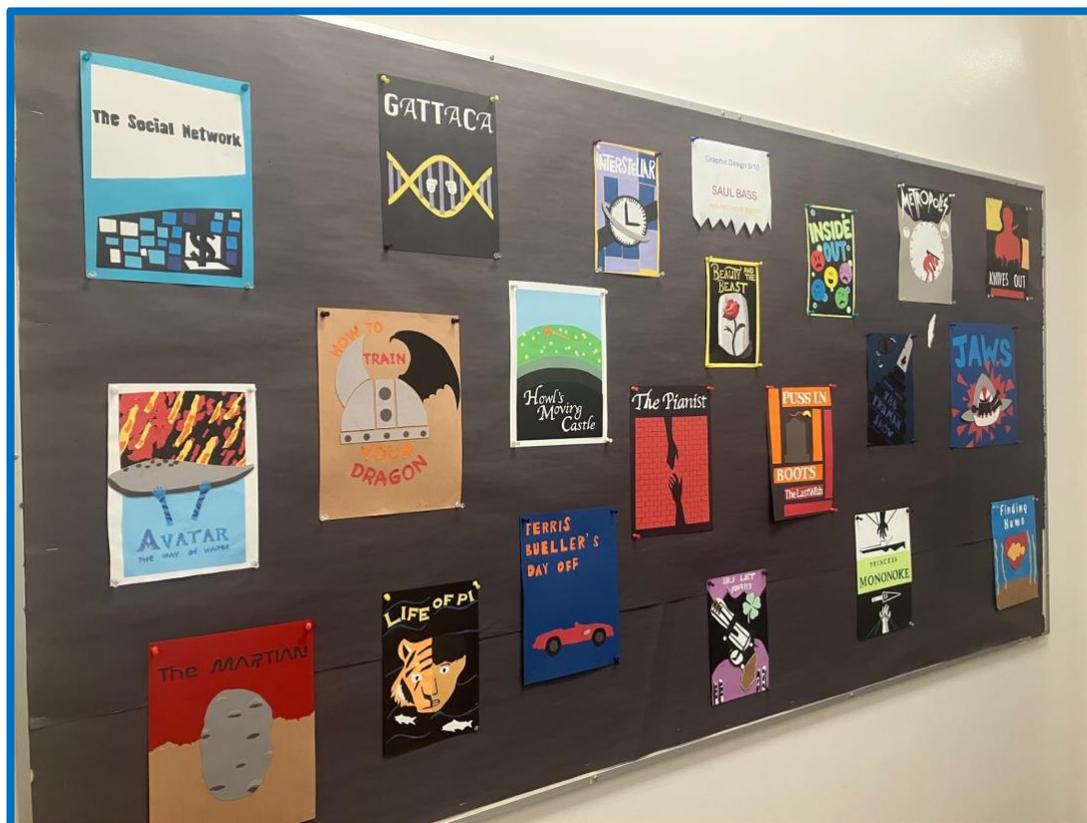
We are proud to share that five teams from stəywəte:ń Point Grey competed at the Math Challengers Regional Competition on Saturday, February 21.

Our students demonstrated exceptional mathematical problem-solving skills and perseverance throughout the event. Congratulations to **Jason Liu**, who earned a Top 10 medal among all Grade 8 participants, **Daniel Zhu** for achieving 2nd place in Grade 8, and **Nika Go** for placing 3rd in Grade 9. We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our grade 11 mentors — Ares Chow, Tony Liu, Ben Gibson, Masaki Lau and Victor Zhou — for their time and commitment in preparing our students for the competition. We are very proud of all our Math Challengers participants for representing our school so well.

The Math Department also recently hosted the Pascal, Cayley, and Fermat Contests through the University of Waterloo for 70 stəywəte:ń Point Grey students. In addition, our Grade 8 students participated in the Canadian National Math League, continuing to demonstrate strong enthusiasm and engagement in mathematics. Congratulations to Terry Sun who received the top score!

We are also very proud to share that results from the American Invitational Mathematics Examination have been released, and Sheryl Ye, a Grade 9 student, has qualified for the USA Junior Mathematical Olympiad. This is an outstanding accomplishment and a testament to her exceptional mathematical ability and dedication.





Saul Bass – Inspired Movie Posted – Graphic Design 9/10

Counselling Corner

As spring break and summer approach, please check out these opportunities for your teens!

- Skating instructor posting open until March 13: [Click Here for Posting](#)
- Kerrisdale Play Palace Attendant posting open until March 8: [Click Here for Posting](#)
- Building Bridges Volunteer: *see poster on following pages*
- Pedalheads Instructor: *see poster on following pages*
- Vancouver Children's: *see poster on following pages*

As always, our counselling team is here to support students. ***Please connect with your child's counsellor if you have any questions:***

- Kasey Chittenden, Counsellor for Grade 8 (Last Names A-J) and Grade 9s
- Brigitte Patenaude (M/T) and Kim Rebane (W/Th/F), Counsellors for Grade 8 (Last Names K-R) and Grade 10s
- David Johnston, Counsellors for Grade 8 (Last names S-T) and Grade 11s
- Janice Sim, Counsellor for Grade 8 (Last names U-Z) and Grade 12s
 - *Ms. Sim is the course planning contact for current Grade 8 students*



BUILD BRIDGES



...AND JOB EXPERIENCE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES @ steamoji.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR SPRING BREAK CAMPS!

- Week 1: March 16th to 20th
- Week 2: March 23rd to 27th
- Mornings: 8:30am to 12pm
- Complete Days: 8:30am to 3pm



REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ You enjoy making, building & creating
- ✓ You connect easily with kids
- ✓ You understand that this is a commitment

 bit.ly/sk-volunteering



BIKE INSTRUCTOR

JOIN OUR TEAM



WHY PEDALHEADS

- Teach kids bike safety and how to ride
- Receive quality training and development
- Laugh and have fun at work
- Work outside
- Gain leadership experience

ABOUT US

Since 1986, we have been a leader in summer camps and lessons for kids 2-12 of all skill levels. Pedalheads allows kids to grow their skills and confidence, all while having lots of fun!

**EXPLORE JOB
OPPORTUNITIES**

May 25 – May 31, 2026

Vancouver
**Children's
Festival**

Interested in Volunteering?

Fill out the ONLINE APPLICATION FORM. Please contact us at volunteer@childrensfestival.ca or call 236-466-1480 with any questions, we would love to hear from you!

<https://www.childrensfestival.ca/about/volunteer-application-form/>

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

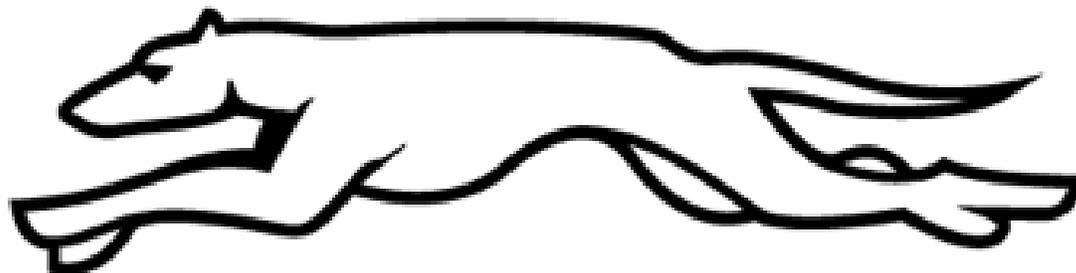
We invite all parents to join us at the following upcoming PAC meetings:

- Wednesday, April 15 @ 7:30pm, Library
- Wednesday, May 20 @ 7:30pm, Library
- Tuesday, June 9 @ 7:30pm, Library (AGM)

You are also invited to check out our new website: <https://www.pointgreyparents.org/>

School Calendar for 2026-2029

The Vancouver School Board invites families, students and community members to review the proposed three-year school calendars for 2026–2027, 2027–2028 and 2028–2029. Please find the proposed calendars and more details here: <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/proposed-school-calendars-2026-2029>



Upcoming Dates for the Rest of Our School Year

Remember to check our [school website](#) main page under “About Us” for daily schedules, monthly calendar, student agenda, and other information as the school year progresses.

- March 6Semester 2 Informal Learning Updates Published to MyEd by 3pm
- March 8Daylight Savings Time Begins (clocks spring forward one hour)
- March 13Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
- March 14-29Spring Break (school not in session)
- March 25-April 4Art Field Study in Italy
- March 30First Day back to Classes after Spring Break
- March 31Math Contest: Euclid for Grade 12s
- April 3Good Friday (school not in session)
- April 6Easter Monday (school not in session)
- April 8Early Dismissal @ 1:35pm for Staff Collaborating Planning
- April 14Core Competency Reflections, School-Wide @ FIT with Homerooms
- April 15PAC Meeting @ 7:30pm, Library
- April 16Grade 12 Mandatory Grad Assembly @ FIT, Auditorium
- April 16Last Day for Rotation P1, P2, P3, P4
- April 17First Day for Rotation P2, P1, P4, P3 (AM classes flip and PM classes flip)
- April 20Non-Instructional Indigenous Focus Day (school not in session for students)
- April 21-24Grade 10 Literacy Assessments
- April 23Grad Valedictorian and Grad Song Nomination Forms Due @ 3:15, Office
- April 28Grade 12 ICBC Road Sense Assembly @ FIT, Auditorium
- April 30Grade 12 Grad Narrations Due, online via form in MS Teams
- May 1Grad Voting for Valedictorian & Grad Song
- May 1Written Learning Updates (S2 & Full Year Courses) published in MyEd by 3pm
- May 4Bookings open for Parent-Teacher Conferences @ 7pm
- May 8Bookings close for Parent-Teacher Conferences @ 9am
- May 8Night of Jazz @ 6:30pm
- May 12Early Dismissal @ 2:05pm for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- May 12Parent-Teacher Conferences (virtual)
- May 12Mini Parents’ Association Meeting @ 7pm, online
- May 13Early Dismissal @ 1:35pm for Staff Collaborating Planning
- May 13Grade 8 Gauss Math Contest
- May 14Grad Prom @ Pan Pacific, Arrive 5pm-6pm, Doors close @ 6pm
- May 15School Based ProD Day (school not in session for students)
- May 18Victoria Day (school not in session)

- May 20.....PAC Meeting @ 7:30pm, Library
- May 21.....Mini Freezefest @ 7pm, Auditorium
- May 25.....Music Supporters Society AGM @7pm, Staffroom
- May 27-29 Theatre Company Show
- May 28.....Grade 7 Student Walkabout @ 12:45pm, Auditorium
- June 1-5Mini Grade 9/10 Field Study in Strathcona
- June 2Athletics Banquet @ 3:15, Large Gym
- June 3-5 Theatre Company Show
- June 4Core Competency Reflections, School-Wide @ FIT with Homerooms
- June 10Late Start @ 10:10am for Staff Collaborating Planning
- June 10Senior Spring Music Concert @ 7pm, Auditorium
- June 11Locker Clean Up @ FIT
- June 11Junior Spring Music Concert @ 7pm, Auditorium
- June 15Senior Awards Assembly @ FIT, Auditorium
- June 16Mini Parents' Association Meeting @ 7pm, online
- June 18Grad Rehearsal, Gown & Yearbook Pick-Up & Picnic @ 11:35-3pm
- June 18Grad Popcorn, Punch & Photos @ 1:30-5pm, Cafeteria
- June 19Locker Clear Out
- June 19Student Carnival, organized by Student Council
- June 23Grad Ceremony @ 4pm, Chan Centre
- June 23Last Day of Formal Classes, adjusted schedule:
 - Classes: 8:40-9:15, 9:25-10:00, 10:10-10:45, 10:55-11:30; FIT: 12:15-3:05
- June 24-25No Formal Classes (Tutorials and credit capture sessions with specific students)
- June 25Summary of Learning (S2 & Full Year Courses) published in MyEd by 3pm
- June 26Administrative Day (school not in session for students)
- Sept 8First Day of School for the 2026-2027 school year

Wishing Everyone a Happy Spring Break!

