



February-March Family Bulletin

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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), Sḵwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səlilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).

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Spring News

Semester 2 at Van Tech is well underway, bringing a wave of activities and changes. Our Spring sports season is just around the corner, Theatre Company students are rehearsing for their April production, and our Music students are preparing for trips to Banff and Kelowna. Amidst these activities, we are also experiencing staff changes. We say goodbye and express our gratitude to teachers moving to other schools: Carol Mann (King George), Kyle Renwick (Templeton), and to Catherine Daniel (Math), Aaron Kopelaw (English), and Jonathan Mackenzie (Diverse Learners), who will return next September. At the same time, we warmly welcome Dor Tabi (Life Skills) and Wayne Mar (Math) to the Van Tech team.

In alignment with our School Learning Plan, we are focused on improving equity, fostering belonging, and continuing our reconciliation journey with First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples. To support these goals, we are enhancing representation through initiatives like a new mural in the main foyer, recognizing Lunar New Year, and offering activities for Black History Month. Looking ahead, we are planning a second Student Forum in April to engage students in discussions about their school experiences and gather feedback on the School Learning Plan. We also encourage caregivers to complete the Parent version of the School Learning Survey by May 2, which will help shape our 2026 School Learning Plan. You can access the survey [HERE](#). Additionally, our staff is integrating the First Peoples Principles of Learning into our teaching and planning for Indigenous Celebration Week in June.

As our students immerse themselves in the opportunities of Semester 2, they are also planning for the future. Grade 8-11 students have completed their course selection for the 2025-2026 academic year, and Grade 12 students are eagerly anticipating the School Leaving Ceremony and the Grad Dinner Dance. Amidst all the busyness and change, we continue to encourage parents and caregivers to connect with our school staff for any inquiries, feedback, or concerns regarding your child's academic or personal development. We are grateful for your support and look forward to our school's spring events and opportunities.

The Van Tech Administration



Roberto Moro
Principal (Grade 12)



Janet Thompson
Vice Principal (Grades 9 & 11)



David Cacchioni
Vice Principal (Grades 8 & 10)

Parent Advisory Council Information (PAC)

The 2024/25 PAC Executive Volunteers:

Chair: Lindsie Tomlinson
Co-Chair: Arvind Ghataurah
Treasurer: Julie Cole
Secretary: Pam Dean

Communications Coordinator: Kelly Hamilton
Canadian Parents for French (CPF) Rep: Kelly Hamilton
DPAC (District PAC) Reps: Debbie Henry, Mary Carmen, Safiann Khan
Members at Large: Ruby Langan, Angela Ruth

Please join us for the next meeting. All parents and caregivers are welcome!

When: Tues, Feb 25, at 7pm

Where: Van Tech Library

Our meetings follow a hybrid model of in-person and remote. Agendas, minutes and meeting links can be found on the [PAC webpage](#). If you have questions, please contact the PAC chair: chairvt@gmail.com



District Courses: History of African Descent in BC 12 and Queer and Trans History of BC

Students in Grades 11 and 12 are invited to enroll in these district-wide elective courses, which are available to all VSB students and contribute to graduation requirements.

Experiences	Topics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field trips Guest speakers who inspire and educate Project-based learning with cool online activities Meet students from ALL over the district 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of African Descent in BC 12: Dive into Black culture, resilience, art, music, and movements - from Beyoncé to AfroFuturism! Queer & Trans History of BC 12: Explore identities, history, and joy in 2SLGBTQIAP+ communities through language, dance, and music.

Students are invited to attend a virtual Information Session on February 26, 2025, at 5:30 pm. [REGISTER HERE: bit.ly/3DoNNBo]

Reporting Information and Updates

The purpose of assessment is to facilitate learning and move it forward in an equitable and inclusive way. It helps students answer three questions about their learning:

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

Quality assessment is ongoing and responsive. It informs the instruction cycle and provides **teachers** with evidence to plan. It helps **families** understand and support their children’s learning. Most importantly, it provides **students** with meaningful feedback to guide their learning and help them reflect on their growth.

How will my child be assessed?

All students will receive **Written Learning Updates** and **Informal Learning Updates** such as telephone calls, e-mails, and conferences. Written Learning Updates will include self-reflection and goal setting, as well as descriptive feedback. The Provincial Reporting Policy requires that students in Gr 8 and 9 receive grades on a four-point proficiency scale (*Emerging, Developing, Proficient, Extending*), while students in Gr 10 -12 courses receive a letter grade and percentage.

The grade **“IE” (Insufficient Evidence)** indicates that the student has not yet demonstrated minimally acceptable performance in relation to the learning standards. For students in Gr 10-12, an “IE” may be converted to an F (Fail) at the end of the course. Should your child receive an “IE” for any of their classes, the teacher will identify what learning standards (competencies and content knowledge) they need to demonstrate and create a support plan for the student. This plan will outline the actions to be taken by the student and school to help the student provide sufficient evidence of learning. Please reach out to your child’s teacher(s) to discuss an Insufficient Evidence “IE” grade or any other concerns you may have about your child’s progress. Click [HERE](#) for our staff directory.

Learning Updates

All students received their Semester 1 Summary of Learning, which includes final marks for Semester 1, and a Mid-Semester Written Learning Update for full-year courses. Please note that your child’s report card is **electronic** and will be published to their MyEducation BC account. **It is recommended that you download and save a copy of your child’s Summary of Learning for future reference. They will not be available after March 10, 2025.**

Semester 2 Interim Learning Updates will be published to student MyEducation BC accounts on March 13 and Parent/Caregiver – Teacher Conferences will be held in person in the Large Gym on April 10. Information regarding the Conferences will be emailed home at the end of March and published on our school website [HERE](#).

Semester	Interim Learning Update	Mid-Semester Learning Update	Parent/Caregiver - Teacher Conferences	Summary of Learning
1	Oct 9, 2024	Nov 22, 2024	Nov 7, 2024	Jan 31, 2025
2	Mar 13, 2025	Apr 25, 2025	Apr 10, 2025	Jun 25, 2025
Linear Courses	Nov 22, 2024	Jan 31, 2025	Nov 7, 2024 Apr 10, 2025	Jun 25, 2025
Core Competencies	Nov 22, 2024	Jan 31, 2025		Jun 25, 2025



Access to MyEducation BC

Parents and caregivers can view their child’s attendance, class schedule, and Written Learning Updates (report cards) on MyEducation BC.

Follow these steps for access to MyEducation BC:

1. Go to <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspern/logon.do>
2. The login ID is your child’s student number and last successful password (unless you have changed this)
* If you haven’t logged in before, the default MyEducation BC Password is set by the district to: Dist\$2025
3. If you’ve forgotten your Password, or if it has expired (passwords must be reset every 90 days), see the reset instructions here: <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5038/account-management> and click on [Resetting a Password or Enabling a Disabled Account](#) *You will need to know the email attached to the account to use this function.

Core Competencies

Core Competencies are crucial skills for lifelong learning and are a key part of BC’s K-12 curriculum. Vancouver students reflect on these skills and set goals three times a year in their SpacesEDU digital portfolio. ([SpacesEDU](#)) In February, Van Tech students will create four posts. Parents and caregivers will receive an email with a link to their child’s digital portfolio in June. We encourage caregivers to discuss with their children how these skills can be developed both at school and at home.



Career Education 8 and Career Education 9

Gr 8 and 9 students are enrolled in mandatory Career Education courses via Microsoft TEAMS. These courses build essential skills for future academic and career success. Students can work on assignments during FIT. Please remind your child to check TEAMS regularly for updates and assignments. The first two assignments were considered for the Jan 31, 2025 Mid-Semester Learning Update, and the remaining assignments should be submitted by the end of May to be considered for June Summary of Learning.

Technology Tools

We encourage students to note their passwords in a secure place.

Tool	MyEd	TEAMS	My Weekly Planner	Office 365
LINK	MyEd Website	TEAMS Website	https://vantech.myweeklyplanner.net/	https://www.office.com/
USE	Attendance, grades, class schedule, learning updates	Classroom Materials, Student Hub, Career Ed 8 & Career Ed 9	To register for FIT sessions.	Student use of Microsoft Suite of Programs (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
HELP?	LINK FOR MYED HELP	TEAMS TRAINING	How to SIGN UP <i>Note: Old video. Information relevant to 2023 information starts at 1:55 mins</i>	LINK FOR OFFICE HELP
Where can I go to reset password?	Click on Resetting a Password or Enabling a Disabled Account , or ask a member of the Office Staff	https://studentpass.vsb.bc.ca/ <i>Note: you need to enter your Provincial Education Number (PEN) and date of birth.</i> Need help finding your PEN? Visit https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/penrequest.aspx and have the following information available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student’s Legal Last Name • Student Birthdate • Parent/Guardian • Email Address on File 	Click “I forgot my password” button, or ask any teacher or Office Staff	https://studentpass.vsb.bc.ca/ <i>Note: you need to enter your Provincial Education Number (PEN) and date of birth.</i> Need help finding your PEN? Visit https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/penrequest.aspx and have the following information available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student’s Legal Last Name • Student Birthdate • Parent/Guardian • Email Address on File



Collaborative Planning Time & Professional Development Days

The Vancouver School Board has 8 shortened school days for students, allowing staff to engage in Collaborative Planning Time. During these sessions, teachers enhance their practices in curriculum, instruction, assessment, and social/emotional learning. Students should not be at school unless special arrangements are made.

Semester 2 Collaborative Planning Days: Mon, Apr 7 (AM), Mon, May 12 (AM), Tues, June 10 (PM)

Professional Development Days allow teachers to continue professional learning through involvement in programs, services and activities designed to enable teachers, both individually and collectively, to enhance teaching and learning. Students should not be at school during this time, unless special arrangements have been made with a staff member.

The final Professional Development of the school year is Fri, May 16. Please be aware that there will be no classes on Mon, April 28, as staff will be participating in the district-wide VSB Indigenous Focus Day.

Bell Schedule and Period Rotation

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FIT	8:40 AM - 9:20 AM				8:40 AM - 9:20 AM
BREAK	9:20 AM - 9:25 AM				9:20 AM - 9:25 AM
PERIOD 1	9:25 AM - 10:25 AM	8:40 AM - 10:00 AM	8:40 AM - 10:00 AM	8:40 AM - 10:00 AM	9:25 AM - 10:25 AM
BREAK	10:25 AM - 10:30 AM	10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	10:25 AM - 10:30 AM
PERIOD 2	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
LUNCH	11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	11:30 AM - 12:15 PM
PERIOD 3	12:15 PM - 1:35 PM	12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	12:15 PM - 1:35 PM	12:15 PM - 1:15 PM	12:15 PM - 1:35 PM
BREAK	1:35 PM - 1:45 PM	1:15 PM - 1:20 PM	1:35 PM - 1:45 PM	1:15 PM - 1:20 PM	1:35 PM - 1:45 PM
FIT		1:20 PM - 2:00 PM		1:20 PM - 2:00 PM	
BREAK		2:00 PM - 2:05 PM		2:00 PM - 2:05 PM	
PERIOD 4	1:45 PM - 3:05 PM	2:05 PM - 3:05 PM	1:45 PM - 3:05 PM	2:05 PM - 3:05 PM	1:45 PM - 3:05 PM

Linear (full-year) courses such as Leadership occur OFF Timetable (before or after school). Start and end times are set by individual teachers.

Collaborative Planning Time Bell Schedule

When there is a morning Collaborative Day, there are no classes in Period 1. When there is an afternoon Collaborative Day, there are no classes in Period 4

PERIOD 1	AM Collaborative Day, no classes in Period 1	PERIOD 1	8:40 AM – 10:00 AM
BREAK	10:00 AM – 10:10 AM	BREAK	10:00 AM – 10:10 AM
PERIOD 2	10:10 AM – 11:30 AM	PERIOD 2	10:10 AM – 11:30 AM
LUNCH	11:30 AM – 12:15 PM	LUNCH	11:30 AM – 12:15 PM
PERIOD 3	12:15 PM – 1:35 PM	PERIOD 3	12:15 PM – 1:35 PM
PERIOD 4	1:45 PM – 3:05 PM	PERIOD 4	PM Collaborative Day, no classes in Period 4

Period Rotation

Semester 1	Semester 2
September 4 – October 7: Rotation AB CD October 8 – November 4: Rotation BA DC November 5 – December 10: Rotation AB CD December 11 – January 28: Rotation BA DC	January 29 – February 28: Rotation AB CD March 3 – April 11: Rotation BA DC April 14 – May 20: Rotation AB CD May 21-June 26: Rotation BA DC

Flexible Instructional Time (FIT)

FIT, Flexible Instructional Time, happens every day except Wednesday, for 40 minutes. During FIT students are expected to be engaged in a learning activity of their choice.

Monday and Friday FIT runs 8:40 - 9:20 am, and students do not need to sign up in advance, but when they are in the building, they should be in a learning space and sign in to the Green Book for attendance in the case of an emergency.

Tuesday and Thursday FIT runs 1:20 - 2:00 pm. Students must sign up for Tuesday and Thursday FIT sessions using <http://vantech.myweeklyplanner.net> They are expected to be in the building in an area supervised by a staff member.



- This is school (instructional) time, and students get a choice of how to spend it doing either schoolwork or personal interest activities.
- For example, students may participate in weekly classes, collaborate with peers, see individual teachers, or pursue learning activities that may fall outside of their scheduled classes.
- Staff and supports will be available for students.
- Teachers will communicate with students how to best utilize FIT in support of their academic success throughout the school year.

Course Schedule

Semester 1 Courses (Most courses)	Semester 1: September 4, 2024 – January 28, 2025		
Quarter Courses (Gr. 8 Fine Arts Rotation, Gr. 9 Electives)	Q1: September 4 – November 8	Q2: November 12 – January 28	
Term Courses (Gr. 8 Applied Skills Rotation)	T1: September 4 – October 18	T2: October 21 – December 3	T3: December 4 – January 28
Note: Turnaround / IE Days: January 27 & 28			
Semester 2 Courses (Most courses)	Semester 2: January 29 – June 26, 2025		
Quarter Courses (Gr. 8 Fine Arts Rotation, Gr. 9 Electives)	Q3: January 29 – April 17	Q4: April 22-June 26	
Term Courses (Gr. 8 Applied Skills Rotation)	T1: January 29 – March 13	T2: March 14 – May 13	T3: May 14 – June 26
Note: Turnaround / IE Days: June 25 & 26			
Full Year Courses (Strings, Choir, Leadership OFF Timetable courses)	September 4, 2024 – June 26, 2025		

Graduation Assessment Schedule & Results

As part of the graduation requirements, students are required to write three Graduation Assessments: Numeracy 10, Literacy 10, and Literacy 12. French Immersion students who wish to obtain a Diplôme de fin d'études secondaires en Colombie-Britannique must also write the French Immersion Literacy Assessment.

Note that these are NOT Provincial Exams. The result a student achieves on the assessment(s) will not impact their academic standing, **BUT students are required to write the assessments to meet Graduation Requirements.**

Upcoming Assessment Dates

Literacy 10 Assessment	Fri, April 11, 2025
Missed and makeup assessments for Gr 10 and 12	Tues, June 10 & Wed, June 11, 2025

Student Action Items

- Note your assigned assessment time(s) and room location(s) posted in your Grade Channel in the Van Tech Student Hub TEAM.
- You will be excused from classes to write the assessment. If you finish early, go to a designated learning space. Attend regular classes for the other half of the day.
- Contact your counsellor if you have questions about graduation requirements.
- Contact [Mr. Cacchioni](#) if you have questions about writing your Graduation Assessment(s).

BC Ministry of Education links for Graduation Assessments

Students are strongly encouraged to review the Ministry of Education's supporting webpages to prepare for the assessments. They can try the sample assessment to become familiar with the format, instructions, and navigation.

- [Graduation Assessments](#)
- [À propos de l'évaluation \(French Immersion Literacy 12 Assessment\)](#)

Results

To view and download your child's Graduation Assessment results, go to [Student Transcripts Services](#), click on "Current Student," and register for a BCeID (or log in if you already have one). You will need your child's information as noted on the page. You will receive a confirmation email; click the link in the email to confirm. Once your account is created, click on "Graduation Assessment/Provincial Exam Results" to view the results. This site also allows you to "View Your Transcript," "Send/Order Your Transcript," and access other options. Note that the Ministry transcript includes only completed courses, not in-progress ones.



Athletics

We are excited to start the very busy Spring Athletics season! Tryouts and practices for the following teams are underway:

- Badminton
- Golf
- Rugby - Boys (Grade 9-12 only)
- Soccer - Girls
- Tennis
- Track and Field
- Ultimate
- Volleyball - Boys (Grade 8 and 9 only)

Winter Season Wrap-Up Congratulations to all of our winter teams. While some teams are still competing in city and zone playoffs, others have completed very successful seasons.

- Senior Girls Basketball: 7th
- Juvenile Girls Basketball: City Championship semi-final on Feb. 19
- Bantam Girls Basketball: 5th
- Senior Boys Basketball: 2nd; qualified for the Vancouver Sea-to-Sky AAAA Zone Championships beginning Feb. 18
- Junior Boys Basketball: missed playoffs
- Juvenile Boys Basketball: 3rd; playing in a wildcard tournament Feb. 21 to qualify for the year-end BC Invitational Tournament
- Bantam Boys Gold Basketball: undefeated league season so far. City championship semi-finals this week
- Bantam Boys Green Basketball: tied for 13th
- Boys Curling: 2nd
- Girls Curling: zone championship Feb. 19
- Boys Table Tennis: 8th
- Girls Ice Hockey: currently in 4th place. Season continues into March

Fine Arts

The final payment for the Senior Music Tour was due Sat Feb. 15. Any outstanding payments are urgently needed to coordinate with the Tour Company. Room sign-up will take place on Thurs, Feb 20 during lunch. The Junior Music Tour to Kelowna, scheduled for May 2-4, has been approved. The paperwork will be distributed the week of Feb 17. Semester 1 students pick up forms during lunch, FIT or after school.

General Procedures

Financial support is available for families.

The **Student Affordability Fund** provides financial from the Ministry of Education and Childcare for VSB families who are struggling to pay for costs associated with their child(ren) going to school. Caregivers can get financial help for: i. Basic school supplies (e.g. pens, paper) ii. Education-related fees (e.g. additional supplies for ADST, culinary and art classes, workbooks, camps, field trips, relevant cultural events, clubs, and instrument and equipment fees or other fees charged by school districts) iii. Clothing/footwear required for school sports and other school activities. **If you would like financial support, please contact our Principal, Mr. Moro, or your child's grade counsellor.**

Student Fees

To pay school or course fee, create an account using [School Cash Online](#). The school fee schedule (an itemized list of fees to be paid by grade), can be found [HERE](#). School fees should now be paid. Any future fees, for events such as field trips, will be available on School Cash Online. When setting up your account be sure to check "YES" to receive email notifications so that you will be notified when fees are added. A direct link to School Cash Online and the school fee schedule can be found at the top of the Van Tech [website](#).

Absences & Attendance

To report your child's absence, please contact the school at 604-713-8215 (then select option #1) and leave a message OR email techattendance@vsb.bc.ca Students cannot report their own absence. Information required:

- Date of absence
- Student number
- Student name
- Reason for absence (i.e., sick, appointment)

Extended Absences

Any students who will be away for an extended period of one week or more (travel, medical etc.) should see their grade counsellor to complete an extended absence form.

Student Pick-up/Drop-off and Parking

Traffic signs are in place along Penticton Street to allow space for school buses to drop off and pick up students. Thank you for being compliant with city bylaws. Please note that several drivers have been ticketed in the past by the City of Vancouver. You can drop off and pick up students past the traffic signs further south along Penticton Street. Students are not permitted to park on school grounds, they may park on side Streets in designated parking areas.

School Cafeteria

Students can eat lunch on site, and we encourage students to utilize our outdoor spaces such as the garden and front lawn to get some fresh air. Healthy eating helps children learn. There are 3 options for purchasing lunch:

- Option 1: Pay by cash, debit, or credit card.
- Option 2: Download the [VSB Lunchsmart™](#) App (QR codes on the poster linked [HERE](#)) and create an account then select the App's VSB CASH CARD. This VSB CASH CARD feature of the App, allows families to preload their account with funds and use a declining balance method to pay without the need for cash or using a credit card by simply scanning a barcode in the App.



- Option 3: Families may purchase a *Lunchsmart™* card and pay the full amount each month. Once purchased, this card can be linked to the *VSB Lunchsmart™* App, allowing students the option of using their phone to scan a barcode. This card is limited to a one-time purchase of \$8.75 per day. A subsidy is available for families who require help with nutrition services at school. To register for the program and/or apply for a subsidy, please come to the school office to pick up the necessary forms.

Personal Digital Devices Guidelines

Van Tech has an updated Code of Conduct which restricts students' use of personal digital devices during school hours: [Van Tech Personal Digital Devices Guidelines](#). Personal digital devices must be turned off or placed on silent mode before students enter the classroom and remain silent during instructional time. Devices are not permitted for use during class/instructional time unless an educator has given permission. If you need to contact your child while they are at school, please call the Main Office.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH LEADERSHIP



Register Now!

SOYL is a 6-week summer leadership program that teaches youth in grades 9-12 how to care for the crops growing at Fresh Roots' Schoolyard Farms while developing broader leadership and entrepreneurial skills

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- ✓ Grow healthy food and discover farm work
- ✓ Cook meals from harvested produce
- ✓ Sell crops at our on-site market
- ✓ Explore Metro Vancouver's food system
- ✓ Build leadership skills and explore food justice through workshops




FRESH ROOTS

[@freshrootsfarms](https://freshrootsfarms)

Visit Our Website <https://freshroots.ca/soyl>

A DAY WITH SOYL

A typical SOYL day involves farmwork, meal preparation, and an educational workshop. Each week you will explore an aspect of our local food system on a field trip!

LOCATION

Vancouver sites: David Thompson Secondary and Vancouver Technical Secondary

Coquitlam site: Millside Centre (Participants in Coquitlam are eligible for Self-Efficacy 10 credits)

SCHEDULE

From July 2nd to August 8th 2025
Tuesday to Friday, from 9 am to 3pm

STIPEND

For your contributions to the farm, you will be paid a \$600 stipend, as well as receiving access to hyper-local produce!





Register Now!



FRESH ROOTS Tips

FEBRUARY - MARCH 2025

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
February 17 Family Day	18 UBC Teacher Candidates	19 Immunization Clinic Canadian Computing Competition	20 Core Competency FIT Freeze	21 Summit Games Night
24 SFU Teacher Candidates	25 PAC meeting, 7:00 PM, library	26 Pink Shirt Day Pascal, Cayley, Fermat Math Contests	27 Ski Trip	28 Black History Month Assemblies
March 3 Block rotation: BA DC	4	5	6	7
10 French District Concert	11	12 Indigenous Caregivers Bingo Night	13 Written Learning Updates Published	14 Term 2, Sem 2 begins (Gr 8 Applied Skills Rotation)
17 Spring Break, school closed	18	19	20	21
24 Spring Break, school closed	25	26	27	28
31 School re-opens	April 1	2 Euclid math Contest	3 Fryer, Galois, Hypatia Math Contests FIT Sr Student Survey	4



Important Upcoming Dates

Visit our school website for the full year calendar: [Calendar \(vsb.bc.ca\)](https://vsb.bc.ca)

April 7	Collaborative Day AM, no P1
April 9	Fine Arts Showcase
April 10	Parent/Caregiver – Teacher Conferences
April 11	Literacy 10 Assessment
April 14	Block rotation: AB CD
April 17	Q3 ends (Gr 8 Fine Arts Rotation, Gr 9 Electives)
April 18	Good Friday, school closed
April 21	Easter Monday, school closed
April 22	Q4 begins (Gr 8 Fine Arts Rotation, Gr 9 Electives)
April 25	Mid-Semester Learning Updates published
April 28	Indigenous Focus Day, school closed
April 29	PAC meeting, 7:00 PM, library
April 29 – May 1	Senior Theatre Company Main Stage Play, 7:30, Auditorium
May 8	Big One at Two Earthquake Drill.
May 8	Grads of 2030 (Grade 7) Family Information Night
May 12	Collaborative Day AM, no P1
May 13	Term 2, Sem 2 ends (Gr 8 Applied Skills Rotation)
May 14	Term 3, Sem 2 begins (Gr 8 Applied Skills Rotation).
May 14	VAMPT Film Festival
May 15	Family Night
May 19	Victoria Day, no school
May 21	Block rotation: BA DC
May 21	Grade 7 Mixer
May 22	District Choir Festival
May 23	Immunization Clinic
May 27	PAC meeting, 7:00 PM, library
May 29	Band & Jazz Concert Night
June 5	Strings & Choir Concert Night
June 10	Collaborative Day PM, no P4
June 10	Ministry Assessments make-up & rewrite day
June 12	Indigenous Achievement Celebration
June 13	Graduation Dinner Dance, Fairmont
June 18	School Leaving Ceremony, Orpheum
June 25	Summary of Learning (report cards) published
June 26	Last day of school

Stay Updated

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vantech.vsb.bc.ca



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