



## Dates to Note:

- March 8 – 14 – Sr. Music Tour to London
- March 11 – 26 Spring Break
- March 30 – Last Day to pay for a YEARBOOK
- April 3 – PAC Meeting, 7:30 pm Library
- April 5 – Spring Choir Concert – 7:30 pm
- April 6 – Euclid Math Contest
- April 14 – Good Friday
- April 17 – Easter Monday
- April 20-21 – Choices Outward Bound trip
- April 21 – Green Team Community Clean-Up
- April 26 – French Immersion Breakfast 8:30 am
- April 26 – Late Start, Staff Collaboration 9:50 am
- April 27 – Student Council Executive Elections

Stay informed of school events @

[Events Calendar](#)

## Principal's Message

I hope this message finds you and your family well and looking forward to the spring break! I hope that the break provides time for your family to share time together and allow our students to recharge and prepare themselves for final push in the third term of the school year.

I have attached a letter from Sandy Day, Banquet Catering Manager at the Seymour Golf and Country Club, dated January 30<sup>th</sup>. The letter recognizes Windsor's graduating class for their exceptional deportment at the school sanctioned semi-formal grad event held at the club in January and the strong leadership provided by this year's grad council for their preparation and execution of this important event. While the intellectual development of your sons and daughters is our core mandate we also support the good work you do at home to build good citizens and good people. At a time when young people are often portrayed in a negative light by society, it is important that we celebrate the achievements of our students and this letter is a shining example of what we aspire to at Windsor Secondary.

I am pleased to announce that our seismic mitigation project is drawing to a close. We are in the final stages of finishing the rooms and hallways on the 500 level and anticipate completion of the project by the end of spring

break. I would very much like to thank students, staff and our parents for their support and patience during construction. In particular, I would like to thank the contributors and attendees of the Windsor PAC Gala in the fall. In addition to hosting an outstanding event that built and maintained the connections within our parent community, we collectively raised enough funds to furnish the student common areas on the 200, 400 and 500 levels. These areas are used by students on a daily basis and offer additional space for students to collaborate or work individually. This project leaves Windsor with a safer physical plant as well as new and renovated spaces that are far more flexible and inspiring.

As you are aware, term two reports will be posted in the parent portal on Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. In reviewing your child's report card please pay particular attention to attendance data, work habits and comments. It is easy to focus purely on the percentage but the foundational elements listed above are critical to sustained achievement through the secondary school years and beyond.

Attached to the back of this newsletter is the June 2017 calendar. The calendar includes the most up to date "snapshot" of the month of June including the three

remaining provincial exams, yearbook and final fee payment. June is a critical month for summative assessments, and whether your child is writing school-based exams or provincial exams, students need to be in attendance and no community-based or family trips should be scheduled during this period.

Please note that regular classes will run through to June 22<sup>nd</sup>. During the period between June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, the school will host "review, completion and enrichment" (RCE) days. During this RCE period students have the opportunity to meet with their teachers in the event that they would like to review the course material from the year, with teacher permission complete additional or missed work to meet the minimal requirements for a course, or to sign up in advance for enrichment activities.

While the school year is busy and demanding, your sons and daughters continue to achieve great things and make us proud!

Sincerely,

Adam Baumann  
Principal

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Creative Arts Festival



*The Dukes' Den was again transformed into a gallery space January 26th*

On a snowy Thursday evening the Windsor Dukes' Den was transformed into a multi media arts festival. Visual Art, Textiles, Digital Art and Photography students got to showcase and celebrate their artistic achievements. There was a live DJ and Guitarist as well as food provided by Cobbs Bread, North-West Produce and the Foods Department. Windsor Art Hoodies were for sale. Hundreds of

families and friends came to acknowledge the amazing talent and hard work of Windsor Art Students. The evening has become a highlight of the year for the Windsor Art Department. A Huge THANK YOU for all the administrators and teachers that made this event happen, but a special shout out to all the STUDENTS that made this show a huge success. You know who you are and YOU ARE AWESOME!!

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## Windsor Secondary Student Heads North for the Arctic Youth Ambassador Caucus

This March, Linnea Goh, a grade 10 École Windsor Secondary School French Immersion student, will join with 25 youth leaders from Southern Canada as they travel to Iqaluit, NU to represent their communities at the Arctic Youth Ambassador Caucus organized by Global Vision. This mission takes place just three weeks after Canadian Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau and a number of Federal Ministers travelled to Nunavut to sign a declaration promising Inuit-to-Crown partnership. The youth leaders involved in the Caucus will have the unique opportunity to build on the solutions discussed by Trudeau and Inuit Leaders earlier this month, as well as collaborate with their Northern peers to find innovative solutions to Northern Canada's most pressing challenges including food security, health care, the environment, and education.

A key part of Linnea's experience is identifying areas for collaboration between organizations, educational institutions, and businesses in her

home community of North Vancouver and Northern communities. At the end of the Caucus, Linnea will return to her community to share her experience, newfound knowledge and ideas to further strengthen North-South dialogue.

"This is an incredible opportunity to experience the Arctic first hand and learn from Northern youth", said Linnea, a 15 year old passionate about sustainability and the environment. "I have been overwhelmed with the support from the community helping me fundraise and donating items for me to take up to the Nunavut food bank. When reading about food security, I was shocked to discover that cost of food in the Arctic is double the Canadian average."

Linnea and the other youth leaders were selected from hundreds of eligible participants who were a part of Global Vision's national recruitment and outreach campaign. She is the sole delegate from British Columbia. The Caucus will take place March 8 – March 12, 2017 during the 150th Anniversary of Canada's Confederation.



*Linnea Goh, the only BC Representative, will spend 5 days in the Arctic this spring break.*

To attend, each Ambassador is responsible for raising \$2750, which represents 40% of participation costs, by creating partnerships and engaging with corporate and community members.

Global Vision is a national not-for-profit charitable organization working in the North since 2010 to facilitate North-South dialogue and to help strengthen Northern youth's capacity to become actively engaged as leaders in their own communities.

For more information on Global Vision and the AYAC150 Team, please visit [www.globalvision.ca](http://www.globalvision.ca) or search for 'Arctic Youth Ambassador Caucus 150' on Facebook.

## Student Council News

This year has been an active year for our Council. In December the council put on Santa's Breakfast, which was a huge success, due to the generous support of Stongs who donated all the food. Over 400 students, parents, friends and teachers were fed in the cafeteria. We were able to donate 11 boxes of food to the Harvest Project. Their next endeavor was on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> recognizing Anti Bullying Day, where they had a Kahoot contest on bullying facts in "THE DUKES' DEN". Prizes were

awarded to all 9 teams that participated.

The Student Council continues to be active in their school initiatives and welcome everyone to look at their minutes posted at:

<http://www.sd44.ca/school/windsor/Students/Clubs/StudentCouncil/StudentCouncilMinutes/Pages/default.aspx>

Forms are available in the office for any students who might be interested in joining Student Council next year as a grade rep or on the executive.

Completed forms are due April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Celebrating our French Immersion Grads includes next year's students

The Canadian Parents for French will be hosting a special breakfast to honour our French Immersion student grads involving grades 8, 11, and 12 at 8:30 am on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> in the Dukes' Den. We will also include the grade 7 French Immersion students from Dorothy Lynas and Sherwood Park. The parents of the grade 7 and grade 12 students are invited to observe the event over

a cup of coffee. The event is a partnership between the CPF and Windsor. We are looking for Gr 11 parents to join our organizing committee. Interested parents can contact Mr. Baumann at [abaumann@sd44.ca](mailto:abaumann@sd44.ca)





*Students are enjoying the bright new spaces and fun furniture that was purchased with funds raised from October's Gala.*

## PAC News & Events

Did you know that your PAC brings a series of insightful presentations and terrific guest speakers to the school every year?

On November 22<sup>nd</sup> Brittany Palmer of *Unlock Your Future* gave a talk on researching and applying for various kinds of scholarships; on January 11<sup>th</sup>, PAC hosted Learning Skills Specialist Terry Small who spoke about how young people can get better grades; and on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, PAC sponsored a screening of the thought-provoking film *The Big Picture: Rethinking Dyslexia*.

Coming up on May 15<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Kristen Buhr of the North Shore Stress and Anxiety Clinic will speak about anxiety and youth.

Also this year, PAC provided funding to the drama department for guest coaches including Actress and Singer Beverley Elliott, Production Manager and Lighting Designer Glen Miller, and Choreographer Lyndsey Britten.

Decisions on parent initiatives like these are made at Windsor PAC meetings, held on the first Monday of the month. The next one will

take place April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the school library. Please join us and learn more about what's going on in your community school. If you haven't been receiving our emails contact us at [windsorpac@outlook.com](mailto:windsorpac@outlook.com) to be added to the list.

Have you made your annual PAC donation? If not, there's still time, check out <https://sd44.schoolcashionline.com/>.

Thank you for your support.

Windsor Parent Advisory Council Executive

## Athletic News – Go Dukes!

### Winter Sports

The winter season sports have had a successful season with four teams qualifying for the BC Championships. The senior girls' basketball team qualified for the BC's March 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> at the Langley Events Centre. The team was pushed in the ultra-competitive Lower Mainland Zone and had to play a wildcard game to qualify as the #11 seed and ended the season with a 7<sup>th</sup> place finish in the Provincials.

The gymnastics team won the North Shore Championship for the 4<sup>th</sup> time in the past 5 years. The team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the BC Championship. Thank you to Ms. Sihota for stepping in at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour to chaperone the team on the long bus ride to Prince George.

The ski team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the North Shore's and qualified for the BC Championship at Whistler on March 1-3.

Six wrestlers – Hunter Manness, Adrian Flores, Amara Jarvinen, Thomas Robinson, Jordan Gorgounis and Colby Lalonde – qualified for BC Championship at Salmon Arm March 2-4. Hunter Manness placed 6<sup>th</sup> and Amara Jarvinen took the gold. Congratulations to the whole team on a great showing.

This winter was a busy one on the basketball court with 8 teams sharing the hardwood. The players worked hard and had a lot of fun along the way. Thank you to all of the coaches and sponsors for their tireless efforts in working with the athletes.

### Spring Sports

The conclusion of the



winter season brings the busiest time of year for athletics. The fields are packed with 8 teams. There are 3 soccer teams; senior girls, junior girls, and for the first time there is a grade 8 girls only team.

There are 3 ultimate teams; senior, junior and also for the first time there is a grade 8 ultimate club. Rounding out the teams of the turf are the senior boys and girls rugby teams.

The track and field teams are around the outside of the track and using an end zone whenever possible. Any students interested in joining the track team can still contact Mr. Lewis for late registration.

There has been a revival of the grade 8 boys volleyball team in the gym along with the senior and junior badminton teams.

Training away from the school are the golf, mountain bike and ice hockey teams.

Snapchats  
Don't  
Last  
Forever  
**BUT**

**YEARBOOKS DO!**

Order Your YEARBOOK before MARCH 28th, 2017!

Not sure if you PAID? Please check with Ms. Lazarova  
in the TEXTILES ROOM (C42)

## Career Development Programs

### WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES:

We get many students dropping by our Room in 203 looking for volunteer or paid positions. Please encourage them to view our blog spot....

<http://windsorworkexperience.blogspot.ca/>

There are many open houses, jobs (both volunteer and paid) on the Career board located on the 200 floor by the stairs.

**Work Experience WEX12A or WEX12B (4 credit)** During Grade 11 and 12, students are placed with local employers in positions that align with their interest and future career goals. The community becomes the classroom where students gain experience in the workplace and are provided with a frame of reference to review or revise their career goals. Through employer assessment, students receive valuable feedback about their employability skills and technical skills related to specific occupations.

Work Experience is comprised of pre-

placement classroom assignments, placement activities including successful completion of 100 hours (minimum) at a community worksite(s), and post-placement assignments. Work Experience Teachers and the Work Experience Facilitator will work with students individually and in small groups to assist students with choosing and obtaining relevant and meaningful placements.

This year we had over 45 students involved in this course this year! To name a few placements we sent students: Net App, BCIT mini med school, Victoria Cook Culture, North Shore Neighbourhood house, Dorathy Lynas Grade 1 class, North Shore Sports Physio, SPCA, Heart and Lung Association, Millenium Ink, Discovery Days, Seymour Dental Clinic Job Shadow, Open Space Architecture, SFU Radio, Burnaby General, Eco Adventure, Junior Achievement, RCMP Youth Academy!!!

**Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA)** Windsor Secondary School offers Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA) in conjunction with

the Industry Training Authority (ITA). The Secondary School Apprenticeship program is designed for those students who are currently working part-time in a trade, under a certified Journey Person, or who know of someone who might hire them to work in a trade. It is possible for students to earn up to 16 credits while in school. Four credits are assigned for every 120 hours of work completed. These hours are also counted towards the total number of hours needed to become a journeyman in their chosen trade. Trades are not what they use to be. If you are interested in seeing your hands-on child explore a trade, while in high school check out these sites: <http://www.discvertradesbc.ca/> and/or [www.itabc.ca](http://www.itabc.ca)

DO YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A STUDENT EXPERIENCE YOUR WORK ENVIRONMENT?

If you do, we would also welcome a call or email from you. We are always welcome to new jobs!!! Contact Mrs. Reid at [treid@sd44.ca](mailto:treid@sd44.ca) or 604-903-3700.



## Grade 12 information for Transition Planning 12 and Graduation Transitions 12

**Transition Planning 12** is our online course that addresses important aspects of the BC Ministry of Education's Graduation Program (2004) by helping students fulfill the learning outcomes for the new **Graduation**

### **Transitions 12**

requirements. For more information go to:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/graduation>

### **Purpose of Graduation Transitions 12:**

All BC secondary school students who are enrolled in Grade 12 must complete **Graduation Transitions 12**.

Graduation Transitions is intended to prepare students for a successful transition to life after secondary school. In order to meet this goal, Graduation Transitions will allow students to:

- take ownership of their own health and learning
- examine and demonstrate connections between their learning and their future
- create a plan for their growth and development as skilled, healthy,

knowledgeable, participating citizens

- exhibit attributes of a BC graduate

Graduation Transitions is an opportunity for students to reflect on their knowledge and abilities and plan for life after graduation by collecting evidence of their achievements in the following required areas:

- **Personal Health (including 150 min/week of physical activity in gr. 10, 11 & 12)**
- **Community Connections (including a total of 30 hours of work and/or community service between Grade 10-12)**
- **Career and Life**

### **How Students Meet the requirements for both courses:**

**Transition Planning 12** is the online course that helps prepare students for the **Graduation Transition 12**

Presentation. The material they learn in the course and their required attendance at face to face meetings will help them to prepare for their final presentations in May.

The upcoming mandatory meeting date is **May 3-Period 8**.

### **Graduation Transitions**

presentations will be completed either May 10th in Period 4 or May 11<sup>h</sup> in Period 8. They will get their classes and dates by early April. Students will present to classes in the school at that time.

All work that they have completed in Transition Planning 12 online course will be presented.

Students must complete the requirements for all learning outcomes in order to earn credit for **Graduation Transitions12**. Upon successful completion of the learning outcomes, a "Requirement Met (RM)" mark will be assigned and students will earn four credits towards graduation.

**All information about course outlines, due dates, and marking criteria can be found at:** <http://sianoliver.weebly.com/transition-planning-12.html>

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mrs. Oliver at 604-903-3700, Local 809909 or by email at [soliver@sd44.ca](mailto:soliver@sd44.ca)

## Stay in Touch

### **Windsor's Parent Advisory Committee ("WPAC")**

sends out monthly newsletters by email, to those families who have signed up to receive WPAC correspondence.

WPAC newsletters contain useful information that may be of interest to you and/or your student.

If you did not receive our most recent email and would like to sign up, please contact us at

[windsorpac@outlook.com](mailto:windsorpac@outlook.com)

# Chet WaStamsh 'We are Warriors' Program shares

As part of their Chet Wa Stamsh (We Are Warriors) Program, Tracy Williams and Delmar Williams from the Squamish Nation visited Windsor on March 1<sup>st</sup> to share their experiences, passions, and rich knowledge of the Squamish Nation culture, language, and traditions. We are thankful we to have the opportunity to learn about our diverse community and work alongside our Squamish neighbours. Tracy and Delmar taught us about ancient skills such as fire by friction, cedar weaving, using a bowdrill, working with buckskin, and weaving baskets. We learned that gathering

our natural plants and materials can help us to experience and re-kindle a passion for noticing and interacting with our natural environment, and reminded us to take care of our environment and the world around us

We look forward to Tracy and Delmar joining us again after Spring Break. Huy chexw a (Thank you) to Tracy and Delmar!



Trystan C. enjoyed the hands-on aspect of the program.



Paige B. working with the bowdrill



*Student sewn bookmark proceeds empower girls in Canada and Ghana.*

**Community Project**

Students from Clothing & Textiles 9-12 had a busy term making several personal projects, including sweatshirts and pencil cases. Each term all classes also participate in a Community Project, and this term we partnered with Interact Club to make Bookmarks to raise money for the organization *Create Change*. The project was led by senior Textiles student (and Interact club member) Sabrina Perera (grade 11). The money raised from the bookmark sales went towards empowering girls and youth in Canada and in Ghana.



Most school communications with families are by **telephone and email**. Remember to let the school know about any changes.

**Fashion Design 12 course to be offered**

In other news, **Fashion Design 12** is also a new course that will be offered to all students in the 2017-2018 school year (no sewing experience required). To learn more about the course you can e-mail Ms. Lazarova at [tlazarova@sd44.ca](mailto:tlazarova@sd44.ca). As always, we accept any donations of sewing notions or fabric, so please e-mail Ms. Lazarova.



*Sewing experience is not necessary to learn about fashion design – Ms. Lazarova will show you how in Fashion Design 12*



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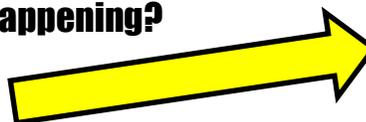
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Double-click here on Windsor's webpage



More detail can be seen by hovering the mouse over the item or it can be double-clicked for maximum detail if available.

EVENT CALENDAR

📅 1, 2, 3, 4

08 Dec 2015 All Day

# JUNE 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Grad Ceremony Rehearsal - Period 4 2314	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Week 2 Grad Ceremony 11 am - Orpheum Theatre	<b>5</b> PAC Meeting - 7:30pm 1234	<b>6</b> 5678	<b>7</b> Windsor Music Banquet 6:30 pm Dukes' Den 2314	<b>8</b> 6758	<b>9</b> Final Music Concert 7 pm Kay Meek Theatre 3124	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> Week 1	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Windsor Music Recital 6:30 pm Choir Room 5678	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Week 2 Father's Day	<b>19</b> 7568	<b>20</b> Awards Night- 7pm 1234	<b>21</b> June Solstice 5678	<b>22</b> 2314	<b>23</b> Eng 12 Provincial Exam - 9 am 6758	<b>24</b> Grad Banquet (Vancouver Convention Centre)
<b>25</b> Week 1	<b>26</b> Communications 12 Provincial Exam - 9 am 1234	<b>27</b> FRAL 12 Provincial Exam - 9 am 5678	<b>28</b> 2314	<b>29</b> Last Day of Classes Term 3 Ends 6758	<b>30</b> Admin Day No Classes RCE	
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>RCE</b>	<b>RCE</b>	<b>RCE</b>			



January 30, 2017

Dear Adam

I would like to take this opportunity to let you and the Parents of Windsor's Class of 2017 know how pleased I was to help host the Semi - Formal on January 19<sup>th</sup>. In the Media we are inundated with negative comments about the youth of today and what they will bring to society in the future. After being in the room with your 140 students my confidence in the future has been reaffirmed. From the respect and affection they have for their teachers to the jubilant personalities they shared with all the staff it was bar none the most enjoyable event I have had the honor of working in a very long time.

To the Parents and Teachers of these bright young minds , THANK YOU for sending the next generation into the world equipped with good manners, acceptance of each other and a keen sense of self.

To Malcolm and the Grad Committee congratulations on a job well done!

All the best to Windsor Class of 2017! Soar high, dream big and never forget where you came from.

Sincerely

Sandy Day

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandy Day".

Banquet catering manager

Seymour Golf & Country Club