

Friday, April 8th, 2022

Dear Carson Graham Community,

We hope this correspondence finds you all well. It is difficult to believe we are approaching the middle of April! As the days become longer and we see a bit more sunlight, there is definitely a positive feel around the school. Next week will prove to be a busy one and we do want to remind everyone of our altered schedule for Wednesday, April 13th:

BeAware Fair 9:20am -1:00pm in Large Gym

 Tutorial
 8:30am -11am

 Transition
 9:11am - 9:20am

 Period of 7
 9:20am - 11:05am

 Break
 11:05am - 11:15am

 Period 8
 11:15am - 1:00pm

Dismissal 1:00pm

PTIs 2:00pm - 4:00pm PTIs 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Please see below for some other important updates:

Climate Action and Service Week

Next week is the North Vancouver School District's Climate Action and Sustainability Week, and in conjunction with our own Carson Graham Service Week, we will be hosting two special events on Wednesday and Thursday. Our goal is to inspire our students towards climate action. Below are brief descriptions of both of these events:

Wednesday - April 13th (Altered PTI Schedule) - BeAware Fair

Students will meet with representatives of environmental organizations and learn how they can take action against climate change. Ocean Wise, with partners Green Learning and TakingITGlobal, will launch Waves of Change, a new climate change education initiative at the BeAware Fair. The launch will kick-off with the debut of a new immersive 360 degree marine-themed dome from Ocean Wise. Other environmental groups confirmed to be at the fair include MetroVancouver, Free the Fern, the Georgia Straight Alliance, and many more.

Thursday - April 14th (Altered Schedule - Early Dismissal at 1:00pm) - Community Cleanup

Working with Ocean Wise and the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, Carson Graham students will visit neighbouring parks, greenways and creeks, with the goal of cleaning up garbage, litter and items that do not belong in nature, in addition to building community! Note that this event will happen rain or shine so students are encouraged to dress for the weather. To celebrate the great work our students and staff



will be doing, we will be hosting a school-wide BBQ to cap off the day. The schedule for the day will be as follows:

Altered Schedule – <u>Students will only report to Period 5 on this day</u>

9:20am - 9:50am Climate Action & Sustainability presentation in Period 5 class 9:50am - 11:15am Classes will work at assigned areas (dress for the weather)

11:15am - 12:00pm Clean-up, Data Analysis & Sorting/Disposal

12:00pm - 1:00pm School-wide BBQ 1:00pm Early Dismissal

Course Request Verifications

Planning for the 2022-2023 school year is well underway. A great big thank you to all students and families for completing the course request process prior to Spring Break. We are ready for the next step in student programming for the 2022-2023 school year which is the Course Request Verification process.

The Course Request Verification process allows parents/guardians to confirm their student's course requests for next year and connect with our counselling team to request changes if needed. Procedures on how to verify or change course requests will be sent home on Tuesday, April 12th. Any changes will need to be submitted by Wednesday, April 20th.

Student Learning Survey 2021/2022

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. This month the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 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 http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey or on the Carson Graham website. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the esurvey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link with or without an anonymous logon code by selecting 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 April 29th. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Ireland at tireland@sd44.ca.



^{*}Those students who do not have a Period 5 class are encouraged to meet in the Agora at 9:20 so that they can be assigned to a group.



Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday, April 13th and the two session times for the interviews are 2pm – 4pm and 6pm – 8pm. Our interviews will be conducted virtually via MS Teams and each interview will be a maximum of 10 minutes in length. Carson Graham is using Microsoft Bookings to schedule interviews this year and booking will remain open until Tuesday, April 12th @ 7pm. Please click here to be directed to the scheduling page.

Upcoming Events

April 11-14 - NVSD Climate Action and Sustainability Week

April 13- BeAware Fair, Early Dismissal @ 1:00 pm, Parent Teacher Interviews (2-4:00 pm and 6-8:00 pm)

April 14- Shoreline and Community Cleanup, Early Dismissal @1:00 pm

April 15- Good Friday (Schools Closed)

April 17- Easter Sunday

April 18- Easter Monday (Schools Closed)

April 20- EPIC Wednesday

April 21- April 22- PISA Survey for Selected Grade 10 Students

April 21- Grade 9/10 Elective Change

April 22- Earth Day

April 25-29-Literacy 12 Assessments

April 29- Report Cards Published

May 17 afternoon- Grade 12 Exit Interviews (early dismissal for all students)

June 13-17- Literacy 10 & Numeracy 10 Assessments

Best Regards,

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