



CARSON GRAHAM SECONDARY

Friday, October 3rd, 2025

Hello Carson Graham Families!

It has been a wonderful first month of school at Carson Graham! September has been a time for establishing routines, settling into classes, and building community. We have welcomed over 1,400 students back, and with every classroom in use, there's a palpable sense of energy and engagement throughout the school. Already this month, we have seen schoolwide welcome-back events, our first advisory, home games for many of our athletic teams, and even our first field trips of the year.

Last Saturday, the 38th annual **Buchanan Bowl** brought together a packed and spirited crowd from both Handsworth and Carson. We are proud to share that Carson won both the junior and senior football games!

On Friday, September 26, our entire school participated in the annual **Terry Fox Run/Walk**. All 1,400 Eagles ran or walked a 3km route through the community, raising an all-time record for Carson of **\$4,400** in support of cancer research. Following the run, there was a school-wide BBQ run by the Community Initiatives class.

On Monday, we held a **Truth & Reconciliation Assembly** to honour survivors and the children who never returned home from Residential Schools. The assembly showcased powerful student voices through poetry, writing, video, dance, drumming, and song. Students then continued their learning in class, reflecting on actions they can take towards reconciliation.

This week, our **Student Council hosted Club Days**, giving students the opportunity to connect with peers and explore the many extracurricular activities available at Carson. For a full list of clubs, please visit our website (Students top tab > Clubs).

Please take some time to read the important updates below on:

1. Upcoming dates
2. Reminders
 - School start-up forms
 - Attendance & punctuality
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 - Carson PAC meeting
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- Grade 8 Retreat
 - Grade 12 Info
 - EdPlannerBC: Parents as education & career coach workshop
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Sincerely,

Kim Jonat, Principal (gr. 12)

Tuzar Irani, Vice Principal (gr. 9 & 11)

Stephanie Strandt, Vice Principal (gr. 8 & 10)

Upcoming Dates

October 6 to 10

Wednesday, Oct .8	Late start (9:50am); Staff collaboration
Wednesday, Oct. 8	PAC Meeting, 7pm, Carson library
Thursday, Oct. 9	Grade 8 Cheakamus Retreat
Thursday, Oct. 9	IB Diploma Family Night (gr. 11 & 12 DP)
Friday, Oct. 10	School photo retakes

October 13 to 17

Monday, Oct. 13	Thanksgiving (school closed)
Wednesday, Oct. 15	Advisory schedule
Thursday, Oct. 16	Shakeout B.C. earthquake drill

Save the Date – Learning Conferences (parent teacher interviews) will be taking place on Thursday, Nov. 6. Watch for an email next week with instructions on how to sign up for appointments with teachers.





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Reminders

School Start Up Forms

Please complete these 3 online forms in [School Cash Online](#):

1. Impromptu Walking Fieldtrip Form
2. Personal Information Consent (allows your child's photo to appear in the yearbook)
3. Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement

Thank you to everyone who has completed their start-up forms!

Attendance & Punctuality

Thank you for your attention and support in reinforcing the importance of regular attendance and punctuality. We have already noticed some positive improvements this year compared to this time last year.

We do, however, need your continued help with timely arrivals for first block. Classes begin promptly at **9:10am**, and students should plan to **arrive between 8:30–9:00am** to ensure they are ready to start on time.

Tutorial time runs from 8:30–9:10am each day. During this time, students can access support from teachers and EAs, work in classrooms or the library, collaborate on group projects, get extra help, or use specialized equipment in elective areas.

- **Reporting absences or late arrivals:** Please email carson_attendance@sd44.ca
- **Appointments and vacations:** Whenever possible, schedule appointments outside the school day and plan vacations during school breaks.
- Click [here](#) for more info about attendance procedures.

Why it matters: Regular attendance is one of the strongest predictors of student success. Absenteeism is closely linked to academic underachievement, school disengagement, and an increased risk of not graduating.





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E-Scooter & E-Bike Safety

Did you know you must be 16 to ride an e-scooter? More students are biking, e-biking, and scootering to school, and we've noticed they sometimes need reminders about the rules of the road.

Please help us reinforce: wearing helmets, respecting speed limits in school zones, following traffic flow in parking lots, and walking bikes on crowded sidewalks.

Please also bring a sturdy lock, preferably a heavy-duty U-lock, to secure your bike or scooter.

For more on e-scooter laws, see the link [here](#). The North Vancouver RCMP has also asked us to share information about scooter-related fines.

Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project Regulation Summary Description of Offences

Section #	Description of Offence	Fine Amount
6	Operate Electric Kick Scooter Where Prohibited	\$109
7(1)	Operate Electric Kick Scooter under 16 years of age	\$109
7(2)	Allow person under 16 years of age to operate Electric Kick Scooter	\$109
Operate Within Participating Community		
9	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on a section 19.07 MVAR highway	\$109
10(a)	(speed limit over 50 km/h) Operate Electric Kick Scooter outside cycle lane where one is available	\$109
10(b)	(speed limit over 50 km/h) Operate Electric Kick Scooter on highway where not permitted by sign	\$109
11(a)	(speed limit 50 km/h or under) Operate Electric Kick Scooter outside cycle lane where one is available	\$109
11(b)	(speed limit 50 km/h or under) Operate Electric Kick Scooter on highway where not permitted	\$109
12	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on sidewalk	\$109
13	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on crosswalk	\$109
Operate Outside Participating Community		
15	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on a section 19.07 MVAR highway	\$109
16(a)	Operate Electric Kick Scooter outside cycle lane where one is available	\$109
16(b)	Operate Electric Kick Scooter outside cycle lane on highway where not permitted	\$109
17	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on sidewalk	\$109
18	Operate Electric Kick Scooter on crosswalk	
Duties of Operator		
19	Operate Electric Kick Scooter without required helmet	\$29
20	Fail to exercise duty to pedestrian	\$109
21	Fail to exercise duty to other devices	\$109
22	Fail to signal right turn	\$109
23	Fail to signal left turn	\$109
24	Fail to make hook turn to turn left at intersection	\$109
25	Fail to signal stop or decrease in speed	\$109
26(a)	Transport passenger on electric kick scooter	\$109
26(b)	Tow person or device with electric kick scooter	\$109
26(c)	Operate electric kick scooter while being towed	\$109
27	Operate electric kick scooter without due care and attention	\$109
28	Operate electric kick scooter while not in standing position	\$109
29	Leave electric kick scooter in traffic	\$109
31	Operate electric kick scooter contrary to requirements	\$109
39	Fail to comply with duties at collision	\$109



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Information

Carson PAC Meeting

The Carson Graham Parent Advisory Council (CGPAC) is the collective voice of parents in our school community. All parents are invited to attend the PAC General Meeting on **Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the Carson Graham library.**

Supplemental School Fees & Yearbook

Supplemental school fees were added October 1 for the 2025-2026 school year. A reminder to please login to [School Cash Online](#) and pay any supplemental school fees, athletics fees, or fieldtrip fees added to your account. Supplemental fees provide enhancements beyond the basic curriculum in classes.

The 2025-2026 yearbook is available for purchase under “optional items”. The yearbook is a full colour hard cover book, approx. 175 pages, featuring student photos and events from throughout the year. The order deadline is January 23. Yearbooks are distributed at the end of June.

Grade 8 Retreat

- Thursday, October 9th – full day at the Cheakamus Centre
- **Students arrive to Carson for 7:30am (don't be late!).** Dress for the weather!
- Look for a reminder email with further details to come on Monday.

Grade 12 Information

- The slides from yesterday's grade 12 info night are posted on the Carson Graham website under Students > [Grad Information](#)
- Grade 12s need to review their Diploma Verification Report. See Ms. McKay with any questions next week. If your child has not picked up their DVR, please have this come to the office.
- Grade 12s need to sign up for an account with [Student Transcript Services](#).
- Sign up for a grad photo session now:
 - **Dates: November 17 to November 23**
 - **Location:** Mobile Studio at Carson Graham Secondary
 - **How to book an appointment:**
 - Go to www.artona.com





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- Select "Secondary Graduation"
- For What School are you from? Type: "Carson Graham Secondary"
- Click "Book this appointment" – select a date and time

Parents as Education & Career Coaches - Vancouver Region schools

Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 6:30pm - 7:45pm. Please [register](#) for this session.

EducationPlannerBC invites parents, families, and supporters to join our virtual presentation. The session will be on MS Teams. For additional resources, visit our [Parents & supporters page](#).

Come explore our website! Learn about post-secondary education and career opportunities. The information will be especially helpful for families with students in grades 10-12. Learn how to create an account, save programs, paths, and careers to My List, and apply to post-secondary in B.C.

EdPlanner BC hosts workshops such as application workshops for universities such as UBC, Emily Carr, UVic, Douglas College, etc. Check out their [events calendar](#).



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Carson Graham Quick Reference

Carson Graham Attendance	carson_attendance@sd44.ca
Carson Graham Office	604-903-3555
Carson Graham	Website
	Calendar
	Staff Emails
	Daily Announcements
	School Cash Online (start-up forms)

