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Carson Graham Newsletter

March 12, 2026

Spring Break is almost upon us and a well-earned pause for students, staff and families. A reminder that the school is closed starting Monday for the break and will reopen on Monday, March 30th.

The past few weeks have been filled with several notable events and activities at Carson Graham.

Carson's annual Celebration of IB was a huge success! Grade 10 students showcased their Personal Projects while IB Art 12 students exhibited their portfolios, and IB Diploma 12 students presented their CORE (capstone) projects. Grade 7 students from Carson's Family of Schools, along with Carson students toured the grade 10 projects and art exhibitions. Seeing the excitement and pride students had in sharing their learning with others was both inspiring and impressive

Black History Month was recognized through morning announcements, classroom lessons, and displays in the agora and library. Students are encouraged to check out the Black History display in the agora which is updated monthly.

This week, a Haft-Seen table celebrating Nowruz was created by students and staff. Persian music was played from the Eagle's Nest at lunch and students could participate in a fun prize draw by guessing the number of senjed in the display.

Students and staff are often curious about the work that takes place during collaboration time. During the February 25th staff collaboration session, Carson staff engaged in focused professional learning exploring new literacy strategies, continuing work that began on the Curriculum Implementation Day. Led by Carson's Teacher Leaders and IB Coordinators, this focus on strengthening literacy in classrooms is something we hope students will benefit from now and into the future.

Over the past two weeks we have also seen spring athletics begin including rugby, girls soccer, badminton, golf, track and field, and gr 8 football. Hip hop dance students competed at the *Notorious* dance competition in Richmond and the *Level Up* dance competition in Surrey, where the contemporary dance group placed 2nd overall.





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Our robotics team also competed at the Canadian Pacific Regional, [FIRST Robotics Competition](#), held last weekend at the Pacific Coliseum. Students have been building and testing their robot for the past several months. Carson's Team "8331" competed in the 3-day event which was [webcast](#) on YouTube.

Grade 10 Physical and Health Education classes recently participated in CPR and AED training. A big thank you to the City of North Vancouver Fire Department for teaching our students this valuable lifesaving skill.

We wish all of you a healthy, safe and rejuvenating Spring Break.

Today's newsletter features:

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 - Term 2 learning updates
 - Carson theatre renovation
 - Parent-teacher learning conferences
 - Graduation assessment results
 - Student learning survey (gr 10 parents/guardians)
 - NVSD chess championships
 - NVSD photography excellence awards
3. Parent & Guardians workshop: Navigating screen battles
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Sincerely,

Kim Jonat, Principal (gr. 12)

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

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





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Upcoming Dates

March - April

March 14 to 29	Spring Break – school closed
Monday, March 30	School reopens – block order 1234
April 1 & 2	Spring ELL assessments
Friday, April 3	Good Friday – school closed
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday – school closed
Wednesday, April 8	Late start (staff collaboration) - first class starts at 9:50am

Information

Spring Break

The school is closed for the two-week Spring Break from March 16th to 27th and reopens Monday, March 30th.

Please encourage your child to check their locker and bring home any laundry and food as well as supplies they may need over the break. There is no access to the school during the break.

Term 2 Learning Updates

Term 2 learning updates were published on Tuesday, March 10th to the [MyEd portal](#). Students can also access their learning update through their MyEd login (same login they used for course selections). Families are encouraged to download and SAVE their child's learning update as they are removed from the site in July.

Carson Graham Theatre Renovation 🤖

We are excited to share with you that the Carson theatre is currently undergoing a renovation. The space is receiving new seating with flip-out writing tables, along with updated carpeting. Our previous seats were from Expo '86 and installed in 1991 during the A-wing addition.





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We look forward to sharing before and after photos with our community once the project is complete. Drama classes are expected to be back in the theatre after spring break. We appreciate our drama students and Mr. Walker for their flexibility this past week while classes were temporarily relocated.

Our first major production in the upgraded space will be *Little Shop of Horrors* in early May. Ticket information will be shared in April.

Parent Teacher Learning Conferences

Parent-Teacher Learning Conferences are on Thursday, April 16, 2pm to 4pm and 6pm to 8pm.

Please see the email sent March 9th for detailed instructions on how to book appointments. The letter is also posted on the Carson website [here](#).

Key dates & info:

- **Appointment booking website:** <http://cgs.schoolappointments.com>
- **First Booking Window**
Opens: **Wednesday, April 1st at 8:00 AM**
Closes: Tuesday, April 7th at 11:59 PM
 - Parents can book **up to 3 interviews per child** to ensure fair access for all families.
- **Second Booking Window**
Opens: **Wednesday, April 8th at 8:00 AM**
Closes: Tuesday, April 15th at 8:00 AM
 - Parents can add up to 7 more interviews per child, subject to availability.

🚫 No bookings will be accepted after April 15th.

Graduation Assessment Results

Students who wrote the Literacy 12, Literacy 10 or Numeracy 10 assessment in January can now view both their updated transcripts and detailed assessment results in their [Student Transcripts Service \(STS\)](#) account under “Graduation Assessment/Provincial Examinations.” Successfully completed assessments will result in a proficiency score out of 4 on the transcript for all assessments except for the Grade 10 literacy assessments where “RM” (Requirement Met) will be documented.

Grade 12 students needing to write or wishing to rewrite an assessment must contact Mr. Irani on Teams.





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Student Learning Survey – Parents/Guardians of Grade 10s

The Provincial Student Learning Survey gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers of grade 10s, staff, and grade 10 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. The Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 10 in April.

If you are a parent/guardian of a grade 10 student, please check your email for a link to the survey sent on March 9. Please complete it by May 1.

♟ NVSD Chess Championships ♟

Registration opened March 9th. The event is on the professional day, Monday, May 4th at Sutherland. There are 4 divisions: primary, intermediate, and secondary students, as well as a new adult division for parents and caregivers.

Compete in the 2026 NVSD Chess Championship

Monday, May 4th, 2026
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:15 a.m.)

Sutherland Secondary School
1860 Sutherland Ave, North Vancouver, BC V7L 4C2

Individual and school prizes to be won!

To register or for more details visit sd44.ca or scan the code and email chess@sd44.ca

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NVSD Photography Excellence Awards

This year the NVSD launched its inaugural secondary photography contest. Carson had two students recognized for their photography excellence. Congratulations to grade 12 students Kas K. and Rory Z. for their winning entries under the theme “What makes your school great?”


Parent Opportunities: Navigating Screen Battles workshop (free)

- In person – Thursday, April 9, 6:30 to 8:30, Education Services Centre, 2121 Lonsdale Ave. Or
- Online Webinar – Wednesday, April 22, 6:30pm to 8:00pm

<https://www.arleentyndall.com/events>

Registration: [Registration Form](#)

Navigating Screen Battles



Struggling with screen time battles, gaming limits, or social media boundaries? You're not alone. In this practical workshop, parents will learn how to set clear, confident limits around screens and technology using Non-Violent Communication inspired by Marshall Rosenberg – without power struggles, shame, or disconnection.


Arleen Tyndall
Dr. Shefali-trained Conscious Parenting & Life Coach
25+ yrs Clinical Pharmacist
Author/Storyteller
Somatic Alignment Facilitator

What You'll Learn:

- ✓ Understand the nervous system dynamics behind screen conflicts and power struggles.
- ✓ Apply the 4 components of Non-Violent Communication
- ✓ Respond effectively to resistance, meltdowns, or negotiation tactics.
- ✓ Practice simple body-based tools to help your child regulate
- ✓ Set clear, developmentally appropriate screen boundaries without punishment or shame.

FREE In-Person Workshop

- 📅 Thurs April 9, 2026
- 🕒 6:30-8:30 PM
- 📍 North Vancouver School District Education Services Centre, 5th Floor
2121 Lonsdale Ave



Can't make it?
Free Online Webinar option
Wed April 22nd
6:30-8PM
Choose what works for you!

Register Now!
(Limited in-person spots available)

🌐 www.ArleenTyndall.com/events





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Carson Graham Quick Reference

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[Website](#)

[Calendar](#)

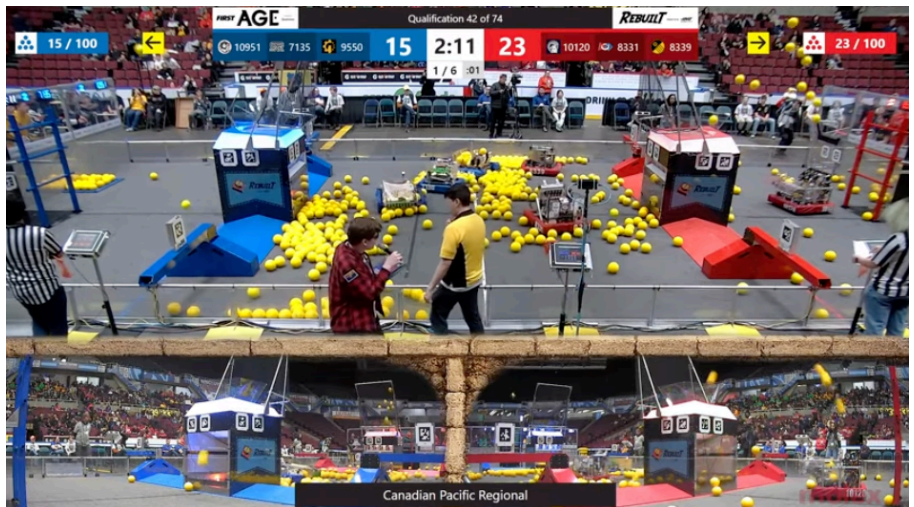
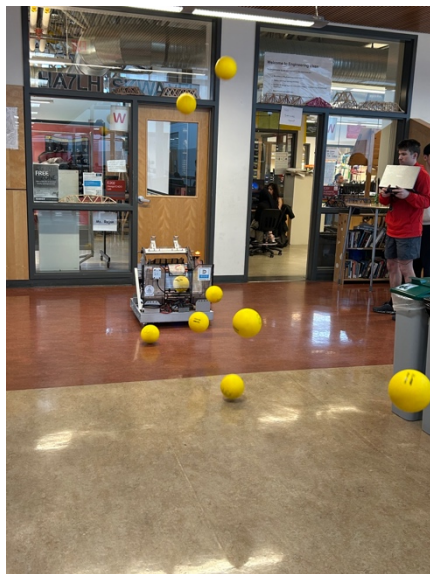
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Carson Photos

Carson Robotics Team testing and building their robot for competition at the Pacific Coliseum last weekend. Students had to build a robot to launch balls into a container while defending their area from the other team.





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Carson Dance Team at a competition last weekend



IB Diploma grade 12 CORE presentations



Below: Haft-Seen table in the library



Above & below: IB Art 12 exhibitions





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Celebration of IB Grade 10 Personal Projects

