




# ROYALS NEWS

## Upcoming Events Summary

December 15.....	Festive—A Holiday Show (7pm—Theatre)
December 19.....	Santa’s Breakfast/Last Day of Classes
December 22—January 2.....	Winter Break
January 5.....	Classes resume (Block Rotation 1234)
January 12.....	Grad Assessment: FRAL 12 Written
January 13.....	Grad Assessment: Numeracy 10
January 16-17.....	Basketball Tournament (Gym)
January 19 .....	Grad Assessment: FRAL 12 Oral
January 19 .....	HPAC Meeting (Library)
January 21-22.....	Handsworth Dance Show (Theatre)
January 23.....	School Based Pro D Day

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Santa's Breakfast Bell Schedule	
Friday, December 19 <sup>th</sup>	
7:15 – 8:00	Start Time and Set-Up/Prep
8:00 – 9:15	Santa's Breakfast
9:15 – 10:05	Period 6
10:10 – 11:00	Period 7
11:05 – 11:55	Period 5
11:55 – 12:10	Break
12:10 – 1:00	Period 8



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## School Information

Daily Announcements/Block Rotation	<a href="#">Daily Announcements - École Handsworth Secondary</a>
Handsworth Calendar	<a href="#">Calendar - École Handsworth Secondary</a>
Reporting Student Attendance	<a href="#">Attendance Procedures - École Handsworth Secondary</a>
Staff Contact Information	<a href="#">Staff Info - École Handsworth Secondary</a>

## Safety and Flow in the Parking Lots During Drop Off & Pick Up

### Att: All Drivers!



A reminder that our parking lots are designed for one-way traffic movement only.

When travel by car is necessary, we ask parents to **make use of designated drop off areas** located at the front of the building ONLY. **The west parking lot is NOT a pick up zone.**

To ensure flow, please DO NOT STOP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PARKING LOTS OR ON THE STREET FOR DROP OFF.

*If other family members/caregivers are driving, please remind them of our parking lot rules*

As always, we continue to encourage students to walk, bike or transit to school whenever possible.

## Attendance Reporting Procedures

**Please send your student absences (including late arrivals and/or early dismissals) via EMAIL!!!**

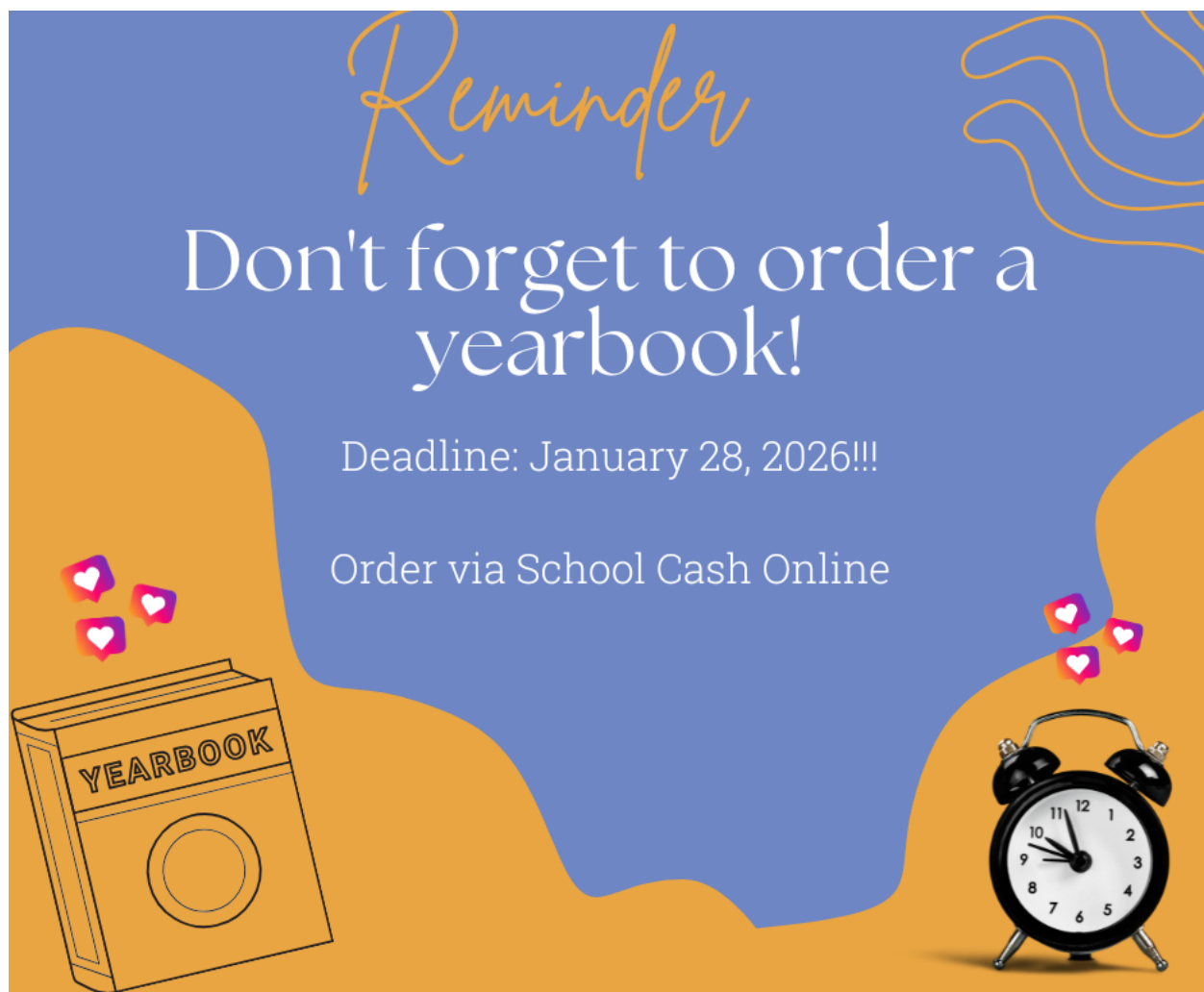


You can email us at **handsworth\_attendance@sd44.ca**

Please ensure the word "absence" or "attendance" appears in the subject line.

FORMAT when reporting an absence:

- ✓ First name of student
- ✓ Last name of student
- ✓ Grade
- ✓ Date of absence (whole day or state the portion of the day)
- ✓ Explanation for absence ("excused", "ill", "appointment", "vacation")
- ✓ Your name & relation to the student. (Only emails from parents and legal guardians are accepted.)



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## Provincial Assessment Postponement

Due to the impact of the recent BCGEU strike action on the provincial assessment technical service provider, the Graduation Literacy Assessment Sessions originally scheduled for November 3rd - 4th have been postponed.

The Ministry has confirmed that early admission to post-secondary institutions in BC will not be impacted by the change.

The next available assessment session will begin in January with the schedule below.

- January 12th - FRAL 12 Written Assessment
- January 13th - Numeracy 10 Assessment
- January 19th - FRAL 12 Oral Assessment
- January 26th - Literacy 10 Assessment (Rescheduled from November)
- January 27th - Literacy 12 Assessment (Rescheduled from November)

# REPORT CARDS

**Report Cards were published to the MyEd Parent Portal on December 9th (EOD)**

## ACCESSING REPORT CARDS ONLINE:

- Login using this link: [www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca](http://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca)
  - Bookmark the portal for quick access during the next reporting period.
- All parents/guardians new to the NVSD will receive an email with their MyEducation BC Portal account information (login and temporary password).
- The username is your email address.

## Passwords:

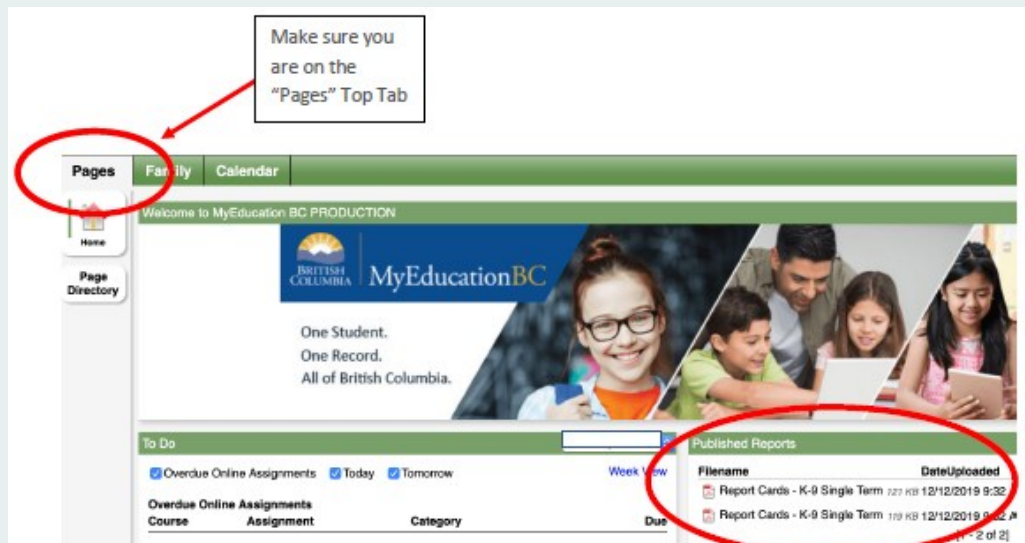
- Parents/guardians are required to reset their password every three months as per the regulations set out by the Ministry of Education and FOIPPA (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act).

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

[MyEducation BC — How to use the parent portal](#)

[Tips and troubleshooting](#)

**IMPORTANT!** Parents/Guardians please **print and save report cards**; they automatically disappear from the Portal at the end of the school year.



# Lost & Found

**Reminder to Students: Check the Lost & Found!**

Please remind your student to stop by and check for any missing items.

All Items will be donated after December 19th.



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## Upcoming Dance/Theatre Productions



### Festive: A Holiday Show

Come join Ms. Primrose's Musical Theatre Class and Improv Group for an *evening of songs and holiday cheer!*

**DATE:** Monday, December 15th

**TIME:** 7pm

**LOCATION:** Handsworth Theatre

**PURCHASE TICKETS:** [Drama: Festive - A Holiday Show - Monday, December 15th, 2025](#)

**PRICE:** \$10

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### Handsworth Dance Show

Handsworth Dance is proud to present their upcoming winter show "Handsworth Dance is Proudly Canadian!" Come out to cheer on over 130 Handsworth dancers perform to Canadian artists who inspire us. The show features hip hop, jazz, musical theatre and lyrical.

**DATE:** January 21 & 22

**TIME:** 7pm

**LOCATION:** Handsworth Theatre

**TICKETS:** \$20 - Available to purchase starting January 5th on School Cash Online.

***See poster on next page!***



## Handsworth Library News

Stop by the library to see our latest winter displays and grab a book for the holidays!



## Student Spotlight

Physics 12 students Samuel Pla (left) and Malan van den Berg (right) built their own working potato cannon! Inspired by trying out the school's potato cannon last year, a favourite activity in Physics 11, they're the first students to take on building one themselves.



## Boys Club Network

December has already been a busy month. The Boys Club welcomed two inspiring guest speakers. Superintendent Peri Mainwaring, a former Handsworth student and now Officer in Charge of the North Vancouver detachment, spoke about her experiences as a police officer. Along with discussing her personal journey, Peri highlighted the importance of community policing and how law enforcement can take an educational approach to building trust and safety.



The Club also heard from former student Robert Maingot, who shared his journey growing up in North Vancouver. He spoke openly about his involvement in soccer, martial arts, bodybuilding, and performing in a rock band, offering a heartfelt perspective on resilience and vulnerability.



In addition, the Boys Club ran a fundraising campaign for “Movember” to support male health awareness, including mental health and cancer research. Their efforts raised \$406.80 for the Canadian Cancer Society, making November a month of inspiration and impact.

# Grad 2026 Information

## Grad Portraits—Book Now!

Grad Session Dates: December 13-17, 2025

### Details:

Photo sessions take place at Artona Studios: 353 West 7th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Y 1M2

**Book Now!** [ARTONA Handsworth Grad Photo Session Appointment](#)

Please visit the [Handsworth website](#) for more information.

Artona



## Deadline to submit a Grad PDA for the Yearbook will be Friday, February 27th

COST: \$42 with only 48 spots available for purchase

Purchase today via your [School Cash Online](#)

## Scholarships - Don't Miss Out!

### Attention grade 12 parents and students!

The Handsworth Scholarship Application form is now available.

**The deadline is Monday, February 16 at 11:59 pm.** Students must submit an application to be considered for awards that Handsworth administers. Grade 12 students can see the Scholarship Info channel of their CLC Team for more information about the application and to access the form.

Please visit the [Handsworth website](#) for the latest information on upcoming scholarships.

### Questions???

Contact: Ms. Robyn Renwick, Scholarship Coordinator  
email: [rrenwick@sd44.ca](mailto:rrenwick@sd44.ca)

## Att: Grad 2026 Parents & Guardians

Are you a parent of a student graduating in June 2026? Please fill out [this Google Form](#) so the parent grad committee can contact you about events, volunteer opportunities, etc.

The Grad Parent Committee can be reached at [grad26handsworthparent@gmail.com](mailto:grad26handsworthparent@gmail.com).

## 2025-2026: Registration for the JA Company Program hosted by Capilano Suspension Bridge Park

The JA Company Program is a free, 16-week experience where Grade 9-12 students team up to ideate, produce, market, and sell their own real-world product or service. Guided by experienced mentors, you'll gain hands-on experience bringing ideas to life, build skills in teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving, and even have the opportunity to take on an executive role within your student company.

**Registration:** [2025-2026: Registration for the JA Company Program hosted by Capilano Suspension Bridge Park](#)



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### JA Company Program Build Your Own Start-up!

Join us for an exciting journey where you'll gain the tools and resources to launch your own start-up, alongside others with like-minded ambitions.

You'll collaborate in teams in a dynamic, hands-on environment, learning the essentials of launching a business while building teamwork, decision-making, and critical thinking skills. Along the way, you'll have the chance to earn real profit! Plus, you could qualify for awards and scholarships that celebrate achievement.



#### Who Can Participate?

Students from Grades 9 to 12  
free of charge



#### Location

Capilano Suspension Bridge | Park Boardroom  
3735 Capilano Rd, North Vancouver, BC V7R



#### Program Dates

January 14 – April 29, 2026  
Wednesdays | 4:30-6:30 PM PT



#### Mentorship Opportunities

Students get the opportunity to work with and be mentored by local business leaders, entrepreneurs and staff from Capilano Suspension Bridge

Learn more and sign up at  
[jabc.org/companyprogram](http://jabc.org/companyprogram)



Questions? Contact:  
Craig Lovell, Program Manager  
[c.lovell@jabc.org](mailto:c.lovell@jabc.org)



## Handsworth PAC News

*The following content is shared on behalf the Handsworth Parent Advisory Council*

Handsworth Spirit Wear is available to order! Show your Handsworth pride and support the PAC with these amazing hoodies! Pick up will be the end of January—early February.

Scan the QR code or click on [this link to order via MunchaLunch](#).

HPAC PRESENTS

\$55

# Handsworth Spirit Wear



collaboration with West Coast Monograms  
A fundraiser to support PAC initiatives



Scan to order



3 designs: Royals, Mom or Dad

3 colour ways: Royals Blue, Grey or Black

Sizes: youth xs - Adult 4xl

[handsworthspiritwear@gmail.com](mailto:handsworthspiritwear@gmail.com)

## Next PAC Meeting: *No Meeting in December*

**Monday, January 19, 2026 @ 7pm—Handsworth Library**

Check out the [HPAC page on the Handsworth website](#) for HPAC information, Agenda and Meeting Minutes.

- ♥ Follow us on Facebook (search Handsworth PAC) and Instagram. (@handsworthpac) and make sure to subscribe to the new [HPAC newsletter](#)!

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## Handsworth Royals Hot Lunches—OPEN!



Order your Royals Hot Lunches: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Handsworth>.

**Ordering will stay open for the remainder of the school year.**

Monies raised go towards buying items for all our sports activities – and the PAC has been able to fund such items such as football helmets, transportation to offsite games and practises, new uniforms, nets, balls, and so much more! Our Handsworth athletes have performed incredibly well last year and with your support we can continue this momentum!

Place your Royals Hot Lunch: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Handsworth> providing lunch is easier than ever!

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Parents/guardians are encouraged to subscribe to HPAC communication through Mailchimp. This will enable you to be in the know of goals, priorities and volunteer opportunities in our school community.

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