

ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE HANDSWORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL



September 27th, 2023

Dear Class of 2024 and Parents/Guardians,

I am very pleased to be able to welcome our Grade 12 students to the beginning of their graduation year and the culmination of their K-12 experience. Grade 12 can be an exciting year, with much opportunity to celebrate, but also with plenty of work to do, so it is important for students to stay on top of their studies and remain mindful of graduation requirements.

Sofia Frith (Grad Council Sponsor and Scholarship Committee Chair), Robyn Renwick (Grade 12 Counsellor), and myself, Cary Hungle (Grade 12 Administrator), are working together to support our grade 12's this year, to ensure they have access to the information they need for graduation, and to plan the school-sanctioned grad activities. In order to share out information about the graduation year and post-secondary planning, we will host an information meeting next Thursday, October 5th, at 7:00pm in the Handsworth Theatre.

To assist with planning, please find important dates below. These, and others as they are added, are listed in the <u>Grad 2024 and Grade 12 Information Page</u> on the Handsworth Website.

Grade 12 Parent Information Meeting

Thursday, October 5th - 7:00 – 8:30pm in the Handsworth Theatre

<u> Artona Graduation Portraits – Individual Photo Session</u>

Tuesday, December 12th to Sunday, December 17th at the Artona Studio

Book your studio session here: ARTONA

Post-Secondary Institutions Visits and Open Houses

Detailed information can be on the school website under <u>Post Secondary Visits and Open Houses</u>. Please check back often for updates; the site will be updated as information is received from the various institutions.

Capstone Presentations

Friday, April 26, during class time



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Graduation 2024 Commencement Ceremony

Monday, June 10th - 6:30pm, Queen Elizabeth Theatre

Graduation 2024 Dinner and Dance Banquet

Friday, June 14th - 6:00pm - 11:00pm, Westin Bayshore Hotel

Message from Sofia Frith - Grad Council Sponsor Teacher

If your graduate is looking for ways to get involved in their last year of school, Grad Council may be the right fit for them! It's an excellent opportunity for them to bond with their grad class, create lasting memories, and show leadership and initiative by planning and organizing events. For more information, please see the <u>Grad Council</u> webpage.

Message from Grad 2024 Parent Committee

The Grad Parent Committee is currently collecting e-mail addresses to be able to communicate directly regarding parent organized planning and activities, <u>for events that are not organized by the school</u>. Please use <u>this link</u> to add your contact information to the e-mail list. Data collected from this form will be used for grad communication purposes only. The Grad Parent Committee can be reached at hssgrads2024@gmail.com or on Instagram at @handsworthgrad2024.

I have enjoyed starting to get to know our graduates during these first few weeks and look forward to working with this grad class throughout the 2023/24 school year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email at chungle@sd44.ca.

Sincerely,

Cary Hungle

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