

Important Dates	
Sept 4	School Opening
Sept 5	Photo Day
Sept 11	PAC Meeting @ 7pm
Sept 13	Grade 8 Parent Night, 7pm
Sept 21	Photo retakes
Sept 26	Late Start
Oct 1	Orange Shirt Day
Oct 8	Thanksgiving
Oct 9	PAC Meeting @7pm
Oct 19	District Pro Day
Oct 24	Grad Parent Meeting, 7pm
Nov 2	District Pro Day
Nov 4	Daylight Savings
Nov 5-7	Grad Photos
Nov 8	Parent Teacher Interviews Early Dismissal
Nov 9	Early Dismissal
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 12	Remembrance Day (in lieu)
Nov 13	PAC Meeting @7pm
Nov 14	Take Our Kids to Work Day (Gr. 9)
Nov 13	Remembrance Day (in lieu)
Nov 27	DPA Logs Due
Nov 29	Late Start

It's that time of year again!



I hope that you and your family had a safe and enjoyable summer.

I am looking forward to an exciting 2018-2019 school year!

This newsletter will provide information regarding the exciting things going on at Seycove.

"Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." – Marin Luther King, J

Welcome to Seycove!

Please join me in welcoming new staff members:

Ms. Nellie Villegas - Learning Support

Mr. Andrew Thomas – Biology and Math (PLP)

Ms. Elaine Harder – American Sign Language





First Week of School

Tuesday, September 4 Opening Day

Grade 8 9:45am Grade 9 & 10 10:45am Grade 11 & 12 11:45am

A brief homeroom will follow the each assembly.

Wednesday, September 5 Photo Day 8:30 Homeroom Rotation 2314

Thursday, September 6 8:30 Homeroom Rotation 6758

Friday, September 7 Rotation 3124

For more information, please visit the <u>Seycove</u> website.

Communication with Families

Throughout the school year, we will send out newsletters, but most of our communication with families is done electronically through our website, email and Parent Connect. Please ensure you have provided us with a current email address and updated contact information.

If you are unable to open the attachments on an email sent by our school, please try opening the email using another device.

For the most current information, please visit the Seycove school website.

Timetable and Bell schedule can be found at:

http://www.sd44.ca/school/seycove/About/timetables/Pages/default.aspx

School Collected Forms

The following forms must be returned to the Main Office in the appropriate box by: Friday, September 7, 2018.

- Student Release form must be signed by parent/guardian
- Student Emergency Identification form must be signed by parent/guardian
- C.L.A.S.S. Agreement must be signed by parent/guardian <u>and</u> student (students new to Seycove only.)

These forms are located on the **Seycove** website.



Student Timetables and Course Changes

A great deal of time, effort and thought has gone into the process of student placement for the 2018-2019 school year. Careful consideration was given to input from staff and families as well as students learning styles. Classrooms have been balanced academically and socially. Our class lists are structured to provide equitable class sizes. Moving is difficult without causing imbalances and inequities.

Thank you so much for being positive with your child and helping them to understand that it is impossible to place all students with a preferred best friend or teacher. ALL of our staff works hard to make school a positive experience for ALL students.

A student requesting a course change must:

- have a completed Course Change Request form, signed from a parent stating the course change request and the rationale for the request
- drop the letter off in the main office
- attend their scheduled classes and wait for a counsellor/administrator to contact them regarding the request

Course change requests made for the following reasons will be given priority:

- a student has an incomplete timetable (less than 8 courses)
- a student has already completed a course listed on his/her timetable
- a student's courses do not satisfy graduation requirements
- stCourse changes requested for any other reasons will not be made until Friday, Sept 7 th .



Grade 8 Student & Family Welcome Evening

All Grade 8 students and their families are invited to join us for a 'Welcome Evening' on Thursday, September 13 from 7:00-8:15pm.



Seycove Secondary App



Students and parents are encouraged to download the SEYCOVE SECONDARY APP! The app is available on both the iOS and Google Play App stores by searching for "Seycove Secondary".

PAC (Parent Advisory Council)

Seycove PAC meets throughout the school year once a month on the second Tuesday beginning at 7pm in the library. The PAC provides feedback and input to the administration, and applies for and allocates gaming funds to support extracurricular programs throughout the school. All parents, especially new Grade 8 parents are invited to join the PAC, meet other interested parents and learn more about the school and recent changes in education in BC. Please stay tuned for the date of the first PAC Meeting of the year.

PE Lockers

PE lockers will be available to students enrolled in a PE class. Instead of renting the lockers to students, students are asked to bring their own lock and secure their items in a locker for that period. When the class is over, please remove the lock and the contents so that locker may be available for the next class. If the lock is not removed on a regular basis, after making our best efforts to determine the owner, the lock will be cut off at the owner's expense.