

PLEASE remember ... Wear a mask and physically distance ... we are all in this together.



Principal's Bulletin #38

June 11th, 2021

Good evening everyone! We are almost there!

At the beginning of the year in September, I am sure that many of us wondered whether or not we would make it this far. The fact that we have done so is a reflection on the amazing resilience, perseverance, and heart that we have as a community, and the strength gained in knowing that as a collective working together we can accomplish anything.

On behalf of all of the staff at Seycove, I would like to thank all of you for your trust, understanding, and endless patience. We have succeeded in North Vancouver where so many other districts across North America and beyond have not. We have remained open and have been able to ensure that our students have had access to a continuous educational program through it all (albeit a hybrid one with many adjustments and sacrifices!) When I walk through the halls, even with all of the restrictive protocols, even with all of the bottles of hand sanitizer, and one-way arrows on the floor, there is still such a sense of June "end-of-year" excitement. It will only continue to build as we near the finish line. I am incredibly proud of our students and everything they have accomplished in this exceptional year. Only 2 weeks to go!

I continue to receive many emails asking about the potential for relaxing of COVID protocols at Seycove. I know that the messaging that we are receiving in the media can be confusing, since the PHO guidelines are different than the Ministry's. Again, *for our NVSD44 Schools*, the health and safety protocols that we have been following for K-12 in-person instruction will remain in effect for the remainder of the 2020/2021 school year.

As always, I can reassure you that the safety of our NVSD students and staff has always been paramount to us. With all of the optimism with rising vaccination percentages and dropping exposure numbers, we are continuing to see confirmed cases, with 2 more announcements this past week at Seycove. We need to continue to be diligent and adhere to the existing guidelines. This is especially so for our Grads ... please make sure you read the [special messages for grads](#) below. (For info on all the recent province-wide COVID restrictions please [CLICK HERE](#)).

The countdown is now 7 instructional days until the last day of classes on the 22nd.

As the pressures increase, please remember that there are many people in the school that you can turn to in order to access extra help. Don't be afraid to ask! Not sure who to go to? You can always come ask me, I'm not that scary.

This week's information items are included below. Please take a close look at the [Calendar highlights](#), as the days are full and will pass quickly!

Be safe and take care of each other!

Rob McLeod
Principal

Note: As always, you can click on the Seycove Logo above to go to the Seycove Website

- **Previous Bulletins:**

All previously posted Principal's bulletins and communications can be found [HERE](#).

- **Seycove PAC Annual General Meeting:** 7:00 pm Tuesday, June 15th, 2021.

For an agenda, and an invitation/link to the zoom meeting [CLICK HERE](#).

- **Grad update:**

- [Valedictory Ceremony Taping](#) ... details about the [Valedictory Ceremony](#) and a "shape of the day" for June 18th with a schedule of when each student needs to arrive for the taping can be viewed online [HERE](#). Please ensure that you review these documents ahead of time.

- **Grad Gowns ...** Office staff have been handing out Grad Gowns during last block this week. If you haven't picked yours up yet, please stop by the office as soon as possible before Wednesday, June 16th.

- **NEW FOR FAMILIES:** Families are welcome to attend the Education Services Centre 2121 Lonsdale (outside) to drop off their grad and wait to greet them after they are finished filming. ***We encourage families to take photos outside with their grad – we will have a tent set-up for you.*** There is ample street parking around the Education Services Centre. **PLEASE NOTE:** all COVID Protocols re: mask use and distancing will be in place.

A reminder that graduates are asked to arrive "camera ready" with cap and gown on, and a formal outfit underneath if they choose to have their formal photo taken without their gown.

- ***** SPECIAL COVID REMINDERS FOR GRADS*****
I feel it is important to remind everyone that COVID can be transmitted by someone who is asymptomatic or presymptomatic. That means that an individual may be infectious without knowing it and still pass the virus on to someone else. For the grade 12's in particular, this is incredibly important, as social gatherings this weekend may result in an accidental exposure which could mean a student could test positive and not be able to participate in Grad. PLEASE BE SAFE and follow guidelines.

- **Grade 10 Numeracy Exams (week of June 14th):** *(updated)*

For further information, videos, and practice assessments of the **Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment**, please visit: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

- **Calendar Highlights for June 14-22**

Monday, June 14th

- **Numeracy Exam 12:30**

Tuesday, June 15th

- Numeracy Exam 12:30

Wednesday, June 16th

- Numeracy Exam 12:30
- Yearbook distribution (Library)
 - AM Grade 8's
 - AM Grades 10's/11's (Cohort A)
- Seyhawk Award announcement emailed to parents

Thursday, June 17th

- Numeracy Exam 12:30
 - Kahoot 12:40 – 1:00
 - Yearbook distribution (Library)
- Yearbook distribution (Library)
 - AM Grades 9's
 - AM Grades 10/11 (Cohort B)

Friday, June 18th

- Grad Taping at ESC

Monday, June 21st

- National Indigenous Peoples Day Presentation (Andrea)
 - **Bell Schedule:**
 - 09:30-11:45 Period 1
 - **11:45-12:05 Presentation (20 minutes)**
 - 12:05-12:50 Lunch
 - 12:50-3:00 Period 2
- Seyhawk Award Distribution

Tuesday June 22nd

- Last day of classes
- Grad Class Box Presentation
 - 2:30-3:00
- Seyhawk Award Distribution

• Updated "Covid" resources:

- Call **8-1-1** for health information
- Use the **Daily Health Check** before sending your child to school ([https://www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/dailyhealthcheck/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/dailyhealthcheck/Pages/default.aspx#/=))
- Visit the **BC Centre for Disease Control** website (<http://www.bccdc.ca/>)
- Visit the **Vancouver Coastal Health** website (www.vch.ca)
- Bookmark the **NVSD COVID-19 Resource web pages** (www.sd44.ca/COVID-19)
- Ministry of Education **BC's Back To School Plan** – updated: **March 31, 2021**
- **BCCDC Schools FAQ** web page – Sept 24, 2020
- **NVSD Website COVID-19 Information** – NVSD **PUBLIC** webpage - Misc. resources including copies of Supt letters, updated on an on-going basis

Seycove PAC Annual General Meeting
7:00 pm Tuesday, June 15th, 2021
Virtual

AGENDA:

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Approval of agenda & minutes
- 3) Treasurer's report – Dan Dandar,
- 4) Principal's report – Mr. Rob McLeod
- 5) DPAC – Mag Caron
- 6) Positions available on PAC Executive for 2021/22 year:
 - Treasurer
 - DPAC Rep
- 7) Election of 2021/22 PAC Executive
- 8) New Business
- 9) Close

Zoom 1 for PACs is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Seycove PAC Meeting (AGM)

Time: Jun 15, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/66906867132?pwd=WmtqdlpyaHRsNHJDZ1V3aktGYjR3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 669 0686 7132

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