



SEYCOVE SECONDARY  
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# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



June 27, 2025

Dear Seycove Families,

As we wrap up this school year, and I write my final entry for this year's newsletter, I want to take a moment to reflect on what a special year it's been as principal at Seycove. I feel incredibly grateful to be part of a school community that leads with heart, creativity, and a deep commitment to student growth and well-being.

This June, we say goodbye to several beloved staff members who are heading off to new adventures. While their presence will be deeply missed, we send them off with heartfelt thanks and our very best wishes for the future. At the same time, we're excited to welcome some new faces in September who will bring fresh energy and ideas to our Seycove team.

To the Graduating Class of 2025 - once again, congratulations! You've left your mark on our school with your kindness, leadership, and resilience. We're so proud of all you've accomplished and can't wait to see where your journeys take you next.

To our students who have just finished their grade 8 to grade 11 year - I look forward to seeing you next year and continuing to see you flourish and grow in your learning, in your participation in all things Seycove, and in your connections with each other.

And to all of our students and families, thank you for your support, feedback, and partnership this year. I hope your summer is restful, joyful, and maybe even a little adventurous, for those who like that kind of thing.

We'll be ready to welcome everyone back - refreshed and recharged - for another great year in September.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer,

Meghan Downie  
Seycove Principal

## SEYCOVE CALENDAR

- July 1 Canada Day
- Aug 4 BC Day
- Sep 1 Labour Day
- Sep 2 School Re-Opens
- Sep 3 First Full Day of Classes for Students
- Sep 8 Photo Day
- Sep 30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation - Stat Holiday
- Oct 13 Thanksgiving





# Updates & Reminders

## Seycove School Office Closed Over the Summer

A reminder to families that the Seycove Office is closed over the summer. Please note that this means our school e-mail and voicemail will not be monitored.

If you have a question about enrollment or withdrawals, please contact the North Vancouver School District Board Office, the [Educational Services Centre](#).

Yearbooks that were not picked up this week will be available for students to pick up in September.

Seycove's 2025/2026 School Calendar is [available HERE](#)



## Grade 8 Information - Welcome, Future Seyhawks!

We're excited to welcome our new **Grade 8 students** this September! It's the beginning of an amazing journey, and we can't wait to see all the energy, curiosity, and spirit you'll bring to our school community.

More information for Grade 8s and their families will be sent out later this summer—so stay tuned!

**Get ready, Seyhawks... your adventure starts soon!**



## Homestay Families Urgently Needed

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community in the International Program. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to school to support each student's integration into the school and wider community.

We still have several secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school term beginning September 2025. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to our International Education program office at [international@sd44.ca](mailto:international@sd44.ca).

More information about the homestay program is available on the [International Education](#) section of the school district website.





# Celebrations of Learning

## PLP Exhibition Brings Canada's Living Story to Life

On the evening of June 12, PLP learners presented their Spring Exhibition for 2025. **Canada: A Living Story** was a powerful celebration of student voice, creativity, and critical thinking. Over weeks of preparation, PLP learners from grades 8 to 12 designed an interactive outdoor exhibition that brought Canada's complex history and identity to life. From chalk murals and live comic panels to collaborative storytelling and immersive performance, students engaged visitors in big questions about truth, culture, Reconciliation, and the future of the land called Canada. Hundreds of community members attended and left inspired by the depth of learning and reflection on display. Thank you to everyone who supported this moving and meaningful showcase of student-driven learning.





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## Seycove First Annual Film Awards

Congratulations to our incredible nominees and winners at the first ever Seycove Film Awards.

And the Award Goes To...

**The "Flexing the Frame" Award** For outstanding use of camera tricks, lighting wizardry, slow-mo, lens flares, animation and/or editing. It was oh, soooo fancy!

"Get over It" written, Directed, Filmed and starring former Seycove student Jack Morros

**Best Performance by an Actor OR an Inanimate Object"** Award Honouring that one actor...or chair, lamp, or sock that really carried the film.

To actors Jeremy Fraser Lopez and Adrian Brooks in Block 6's "The Time Traveller"

**The 'Wait, What?'** Award For the film with the most head-scratching, logic-defying, yet somehow unforgettable ending or subjective message.

"Clip" written, directed, filmed by Jeremy Fraser Lopez

**Most Creative Use of a \$0 Budget Award** Celebrating the duct tape, cardboard, and sheer willpower that made movie magic happen.

"The Verdict of Death" written, directed and starring Carson Finley

**Best Unintentional Comedy Award** For the film that had the audience laughing for all the wrong reasons, but we loved every second of it.

"Flightless runs in the Family" to Alistair Davey (2nd Assistant Camera)

**Critic's Favourite Award** is that one awards show where film critics get to play favourites. Unlike other award shows, this one says, "Hey, that low-budget arthouse film with 14 minutes of silent goat-staring? A Masterpiece."

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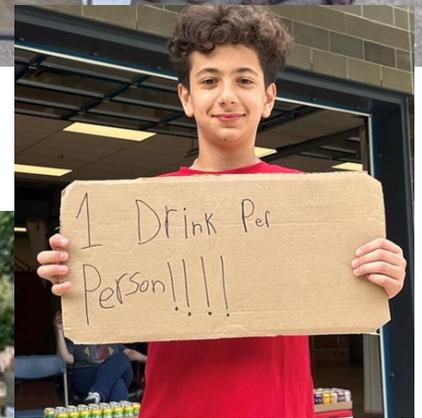


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## PLP Year End BBQ: A Celebration

This past week, PLP teachers, learners, and families came together to celebrate a year of learning with great food, fun, and emotion. The annual **PLP Year End BBQ** is more than just a meal: it's a chance to reflect on the incredible growth, creativity, and community that defined the year.

From heartfelt speeches to shared stories, games, dancing, and laughter, the evening highlighted just how much the PLP learners have accomplished and how deeply supported they are by their teachers, families, and teammates. Thank you to everyone who helped with set-up and clean-up and made the night such a success. Here's to another year of curiosity, courage, and connection in PLP!





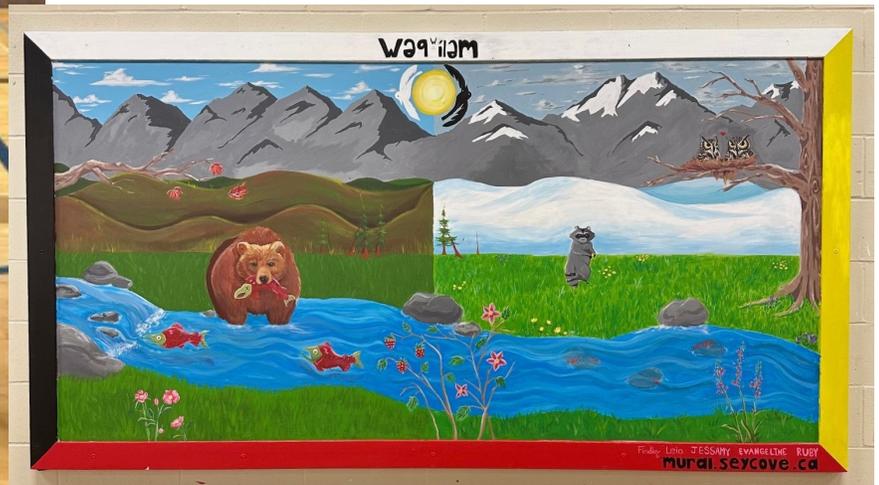
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## National Indigenous Peoples Day - School-Wide Learning

On Friday, June 13, Seycove Secondary proudly celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day with a variety of engaging activities that honoured Indigenous cultures, histories, and contributions.

We started the day with a beautiful performance by Children of Takaya dance group from the Tseil Waututh First Nation. Then classes rotated through interactive stations featuring traditional games like lacrosse in the gymnasium, BC First Peoples final project exhibitions, an Art installation by grade 12 Maya Graham, film screening shared by parent Gordon Loverin, native plant lesson connected to the Turtle Island revamping project and language revitalization activities.

It was a meaningful day of connection, learning, and celebration for our whole school community.



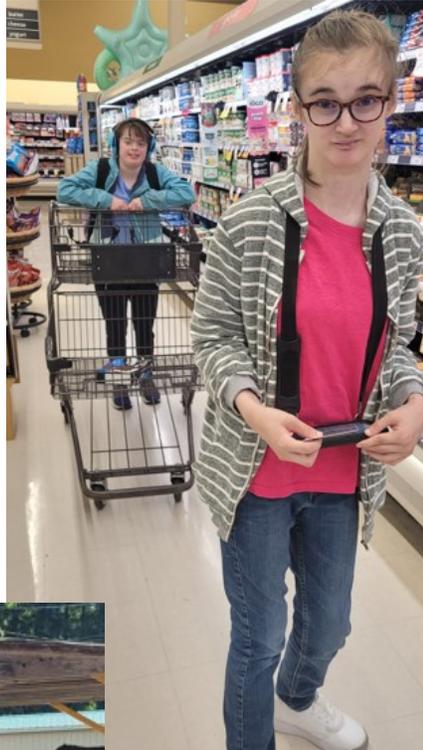


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## Community Learning and Exploring

Students Fallon and Aleia recently had the chance to enjoy some community learning and exploration to wrap up the school year. The adventure began with a little shopping trip to Safeway, followed by a sweet stop for treats at Bean Around the World.

The highlight was a visit to their favourite spot, Maplewood Farm, where students got up close with playful goats, curious guinea pigs, and friendly cows. It was a fun, hands-on way to connect with the community and animals alike. It was a perfect way to end the year!



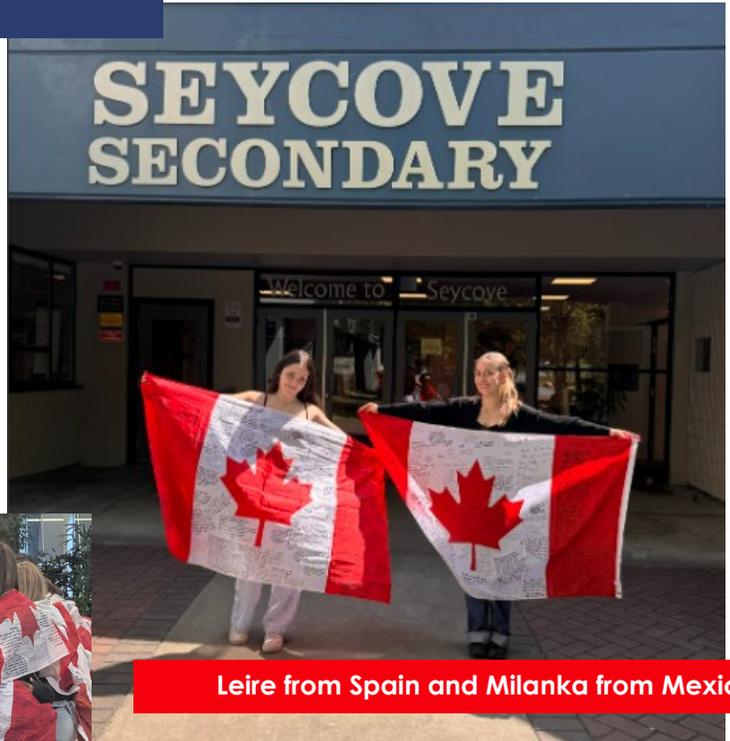


# Seycove Snapshots



## Goodbye to our International Students

Seycove proudly welcomed 39 international students this school year, bringing rich cultural diversity and global perspectives to our school community. Hailing from 11 countries including Germany, Brazil, Mexico, Spain, Turkiye, and Italy. Most students joined our Grade 11 classes, with 15 staying for the full year (including three returnees) and 24 completing their experience at the end of January. In February, we were excited to welcome six new students from the Czech Republic, Germany, and Switzerland. Throughout the year, international students have embraced Canadian culture with enthusiasm—taking part in school events, exploring the beauty of the North Shore, and forming lasting friendships with Seycove students. These connections help create a more inclusive, globally minded school environment where everyone benefits from the exchange of languages, traditions, and new ways of thinking.



Leire from Spain and Milanka from Mexico

## Seycove Mathletes Celebrate with Pi(e)

The Seycove Mathletes wrapped up a fantastic year with a fitting treat—pizza pie—to celebrate all things math and their hard work throughout the year. From tackling challenging competitions to deepening their love of numbers and problem-solving, the team had a great time learning and growing together.

Whether you're a math whiz or just curious about what math club is all about, the Mathletes are always excited to welcome new members this fall. Come join the fun—there's always room at the table (especially if there's pie)!





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## Celebration Day! Recognition Ceremony & BBQ

Tuesday, June 17th marked our annual Celebration Day, a special occasion to honour the incredible achievements of our students in academics, service, and sportsmanship. During the recognition assemblies, students were celebrated with certificates, medals, and plaques for reaching service hour milestones, earning top academic distinctions, and receiving the prestigious Seyhawk Award.

After the formal celebrations, the entire school came together for a lively barbecue lunch, complete with hotdogs, treats, games, and plenty of school spirit. It was a fantastic afternoon filled with laughter, connection, and pride, a true celebration of all things Seycove!





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## Grad Celebration Dinner & Dance!



Grads, staff, and families came together to celebrate the Class of 2025 with an unforgettable dinner and dance at Pinnacle at the Pier. Guests enjoyed a delicious buffet, hit the dance floor to some great tunes, snapped pics in the photo booth, and shared laughs (and maybe a few tears) during the thank-you and farewell speeches.

It was a fun and heartfelt night - a chance to celebrate all the hard work, memories, and milestones that made this grad class so special. What a way to wrap up the year!





# Seycove Seyhawks

