



October 23rd, 2020

Parent Bulletin #9

Good evening everyone.

Halloween is soon upon us and I know that we are all looking forward to the distractions that come with all the festivities. As with all other social events, they come with added levels of concern around COVID transmission.

The BC Centre for Disease Control has published specific guidelines and suggestions on their website for your reference here ... [BCCDC Halloween Guidelines](#).

We all know the magic of our Deep Cove community, and every year the “Cove” gets transformed into an almost “Disney” like atmosphere. I would however caution that we consider carefully the types of activities that our students participate over the next week. Please counsel your children and remind them that the very same protocols that protect them at school apply in the community. As they move from home to community to school and back again the number of contacts and exposures have a potential impact on all of us.

We continue to work very hard trying to ensure a safe environment at school, but all of our careful plans can be rendered ineffective if we are not equally diligent in our community. The phrase that we hear constantly repeated that “we are all in this together” is especially important in times like this.

Thank you for your continued support as we strive to keep our school and community safe.

Please find this week’s information items listed below. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Be safe

Rob McLeod
Principal

Note: You can click on the Seycove Logo above to go to the Seycove Website.

● **Previous Bulletins**

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

- **PAC (Parent Advisory Council) Email List**

If you are interested in receiving emails and announcements directly from your PAC, and want to know more about how PAC works to support Seycove, please click the following link to register: [PAC EMAIL REGISTRATION](#)

Questions about PAC? Click [HERE](#) to go to the PAC page on the Seycove Website.

- **Office Staffing Changes:**

We are thrilled to welcome another new staff member to our Seycove team! Ms. Inge Bailey Gray will be filling the role of office assistant.

- **Interims:**

Teachers are now preparing interims for their classes. Detailed information was outlined in last week's bulletin ([HERE](#)). If you are unsure about your child's progress to date, please reach out to the teacher directly at any time.

Interims will be published, through the MyED reporting portal.

- **Provincial Assessments - November 3rd @ 8:30 am**

This examination sitting is only for current 12s who need to write Numeracy 10 and current grade 11s who missed writing Literacy 10. (Affected Families have already been notified in advance.)

Detailed info on Provincial Graduation Assessments can be found on the Seycove website [HERE](#).

A few important points to note about these assessments:

- Current Grade 12s [do need to](#) write the *Numeracy 10* assessment to graduate.
- Current Grade 12s [do not need to](#) write the *Literacy 10* assessment.
- The *Literacy 12* assessment has been postponed until 2021/22.

Note: No walk-ins will be allowed, and all students will need to be pre-registered. If you are unsure whether or not you need these assessments, please contact your grade counsellor directly.

- **Take your kids to work day for all grade 9s- November 6th**

Every year on the first Wednesday in November, we encourage Grade 9s to shadow a parent at their place of work. With COVID restrictions in most workplaces this year our teacher librarian, Bryan Hughes, has designed a virtual experience that introduces our grade 9s to the world of work. This activity is designed so that students may continue to attend their scheduled class and complete the activity in their own time. If your child is looking forward to shadowing you at work this year and the necessary covid-friendly arrangements can be made, feel free to let their teacher know and they are welcome to go. Otherwise, teachers will be expecting all grade 9 students in scheduled classes on November 6th, 2020.

- **MS Team meeting for all grade 11 students- Mon Nov 16 @ 8:45am**

Grade 11 students are asked to attend a meeting via their Grade 11 MS Teams at 8:45am on Monday, November 16th, 2020. Attendance for ALL grade 11s is expected, as it will cover essential information about course planning for grade 12. For more information, please contact Andrea Yeo (ayeo@sd44.ca)

- **On-Line Hybrid expectations (Grade 10/11/12 only)**

We are now into the second week after switching delivery models in classes, and students are getting used to the HYBRID MODEL.

A gentle reminder that an online day is not a day-off. As I said in my last bulletin ([HERE](#)) Teachers vary slightly in the way Monday's Hybrid lesson is delivered, and the expectations for the alternate days (Tu/Thur and Wed/Fri) when the students are not in class. Please confirm with your classroom teacher directly about expectations for their course.

In my [Principal Bulletin #3](#), I outlined our efforts to support Grade 10-12 students for their online classes. Please click [HERE](#) for more information about **Hybrid Class Support**.

Update on 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)
- Review the **NVSD COVID-19 Management of Illness and Confirmed Cases FAQs** (www.sd44.ca/COVID-19/ConfirmedCasesFAQ/)
- Bookmark the **NVSD COVID-19 Resource web pages** (www.sd44.ca/COVID-19)