



SEYCOVE NEWSLETTER

January 13, 2022

Welcome

We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, whose unceded traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides on. We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.



Message from Administration

Dear Seycove Families,

We are excited to have students back this week for full-time, in person instruction! A lot has changed in the last few weeks with the emergence and spread of the Omicron variant. Our focus remains on both the health and safety of our school community and to keep students learning in-person, face to face here at Seycove.

Below are a number of information items of upcoming parent information nights, Semester turnaround information, and December celebrations.

Thank you for your continued support and kindness as we navigate these new challenges.

With appreciation,

Sarah Best & Caren Hall

Upcoming Important Dates

January 14 Black Excellence Day

"As a lead up to Black History Month, Black Excellence Day is a day to rejoice Black history and learn about Black stories, Black art and Black people, and a day to stand in solidarity with Black Canadians" ([source](#)). The Province has proclaimed January 14, 2022, Black Excellence Day.

The North Vancouver School District, along with other school districts in the province, has registered the school district for an online event taking place on Black Excellence Day. Hosted by the Ninandotoo Society and the Burnaby School District, the event is a learning opportunity and celebration of Black achievements, stories, art, people, joy, love and history. The school district is pleased to support school communities in their teaching and learning in this area, to build a deeper understanding and appreciation of community members' lived experiences and to celebrate the diversity of our community.

January 15 Grad Yearbook Write-up	Grad 2022 students, the time is here to submit your write up that will accompany your grad photo in the yearbook. Your write-up should be no more than 100 words, and will be edited for length and/or content if deemed inappropriate. Please send your write-up to seycovegrad22writeup@gmail.com before midnight January 15th, 2022. If you have questions, please see Mr. Clancy.
January 20 Grad Friendship Photos	Friendship Grad Photos – in the Seycove cafeteria from 4:30 – 8:30pm. Book your sitting for group photos now.
January 25 Grade 7 Parent Course Programming Night	Grade 7 Parent Course Programming Night 7:00pm (virtual) Link will be posted on our homepage on January 25
January 26 Grade 8-11 Parent Course Programming Night	Grade 8 & 9 Parent Course Programming Night 6:30pm (virtual) Grade 10 & 11 Parent Course Programming Night 7:30pm (virtual) The MS Teams link will be posted on our homepage on January 26
January 27 Semester 1 End	End of Semester 1
January 27 PLP Parent Information Night	PLP Parent Information Night 7:00pm (virtual)
January 28 Review and Completion Day	Review & Completion Day – no scheduled classes. Students may book time with their teachers if necessary to complete outstanding assessments and course work from Semester 1. For students participating in any Review & Completion, please have them book a time with their teacher ahead of time

January 28

**Grade 10 Provincial Literacy
Assessment Schedule**



JANUARY 2022 SESSION

Location: Computer Lab 305 & Library

Grade 10 Literacy Assessment

Friday, January 28th

Please arrive to Seycove 15 minutes prior to assessment start time

9:30am – 11:30am	305	A - Hs
9:30am – 11:30am	Library	Hu - O
12:45pm – 2:45pm	305	P - Z

January 29

Grad Photos

Grad Photos: If you missed your photo opportunity at Artona Studios in December, there is still an opportunity to have your grad photo taken. Artona will be offering sittings at Seycove Secondary on Saturday, January 29 from 10:30am to 4:30pm. Sign-up in the main office at Seycove.

January 31

Semester Turn Around Day

Semester Turnaround Day – No Classes

February 1

Semester 2 Start

Semester 2 Begins : Period 5 & 6

February 1

Grade 9 Immunizations

Vancouver Coastal Health will be on site to deliver Grade 9 regular Immunizations to our students. Your Grade 9 received a letter with information and consent forms on January 12th to take home to you.

Grade 9 students will be called to the Cafeteria by class.

Link to further information on Grade 9 Immunizations in British Columbia:
<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/grade-9-immunizations-bc>

February 4

District Professional Day – No Classes

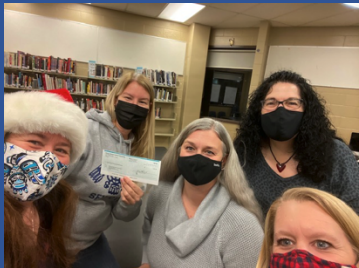
Celebrating Learning

Ice Sports

Mr. Earl and Ms. Pye's
Physical and Health
Education 8/9 Classes



Stong's Market School Rebate Program

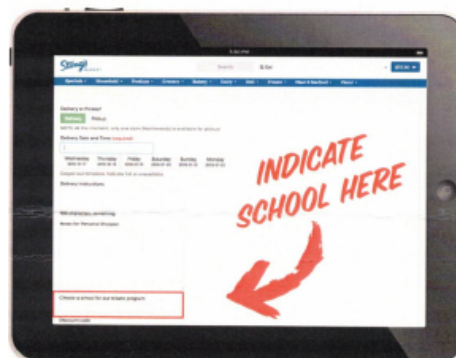


Online Shopping Rebate

Stong's offers all of our online shoppers the chance to choose a school for each order to support and we will donate 4% of that person's order to that school.

An average 4 person household spends a minimum of \$500 or more on groceries per month. If you have 5 families use Stong's Online Shopping, that would earn your school \$100 or more per month!

To participate, just ask each person who orders online to select your school during the checkout for each order and we will take care of the rest!



It all started with Stong's

We believe in being a good neighbour by contributing to the quality of life within the unique communities we serve.



Stong's support of local communities and charities dates back to when the first store was opened by Carson Stong in 1931. Mr. Stong's generosity and leadership have served as the foundation for Stong's understanding

of the importance of community involvement. That involvement has earned us a reputation of meeting more than just customers' grocery needs.

Stong's Market offers Schools and Sports Teams an exciting opportunity to raise money for their children's education by offering the parents and faculty of schools a partnership with Stong's Market.



December Door Decorating Contest



DOORS

XMAS



**Winner:
Textiles
Classroom**



Gingerbread House Competition

The 5th Annual Seycove Gingerbread House competition was a huge success with over 100 students participating. Food Studies 9/10 had three classes that took part and the winner was a house made by Makenna Crawford, Hana Inouye, and Gwen Lewis.

Foods 11/12 had one class in the competition and the winner was a house made by Ashley Liu, Brodie Hunter and Gabe Bawden.

A new addition to the competition this year, was anyone who was not currently enrolled in a Food Studies class could enter a gingerbread house. We had some very beautifully constructed houses by a few grade 8 students, however Amelia Rudelsheim in grade 12 won the competition.



Foods 9/10 Winner



Amelia Rudelsheim - Open Competition Winner

PLP Exhibition

In the lead up to the Winter Break, Santa and his elves weren't the only people working hard! The PLP learners were working hard to bring to life the amazing and outstanding spectacle of learning that was the PLP Winter Exhibition 2021.

On Wednesday, December 15, 2021, the PLP learners from grades 8 through 12 shared their learning to a great turnout from the community and beyond. Following COVID-19 safety protocols, the audience was given a touring plan to experience learning across a wide subject path.

In the library, the PLP 8 learners brought S.E. Hinton's *The Outsiders* to life from past to present with tableaux vivants depicting worldview in the novel. They also had a display of their Scimatics Tectonic Chances project where tabletop games took us through their learning on tectonic plates.

Not only did the PLP 9 learners put revolutions on trial in the Vortex with carefully crafted performances informed by their work on historical revolutions and *Animal Farm*, they also projected their Scimatics Correlation vs Causation presentations to help draw the audience downstairs.

In the PLP room, the PLP 10 learners examined the role of official apologies in our society as they pitched to the audience memorials for various discriminatory actions in Canada's past history and argued for their commemoration. And no one can forget the rooms of carefully designed and created conceptual art from the PLP 11 and 12 classes as they showed the historical significance of the atomic bomb across society through to present day.

Although we loved having our outdoor spring exhibition in June, the PLP learners and teaching team all enjoyed a chance to return to a more traditional exhibition in person and with the whole world truly being invited to see their learning in action. Please do take a moment to read and comment on the learners' hard work by visiting their reflections on the experience of the Winter Exhibition 2021 posted on

their learning portfolios and linked on plp.seycove.ca. Congratulations to the entire PLP learning team!



Santa's Breakfast

The last school day of 2021 was highlighted by the return of the much-loved Santa's Breakfast. Student Council worked hard leading up to the event by decorating the school, selling tickets and preparing for the big day. The event was modified this year to ensure student safety and the breakfast was divided into two sittings. Students enjoyed a full breakfast and the opportunity to take photos with Santa as well as the chance to win one of many door prizes. Overall, almost 300 plates were served and student council would like to make sure they thank everyone who helped make this event possible. **Big thanks to the following:** Ms. Biro and Ms. Reid for getting up early and cooking all of the sausages and pancakes

- Mrs. Hall for helping serve in the kitchen
- Ms. Best for helping make sure the event was able to run safely and smoothly
- Students Zoe, Amy and Ava who completed their Food Safe course so they could help prepare the plates in the kitchen
- Student Jackie J for arranging Santa's visit
- Ms. Langevin for helping decorate
- **Parkgate Farm Market** for donating grapes and oranges
- **Stong's Market** for donating food items and door prizes
- **Bean Around the World Parkgate** for providing hot chocolate and coffee
- **Starbuck's Canada** for donating hot chocolate

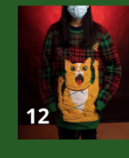
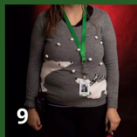
Thanks again everyone!



Ugly Sweater Contest

Ugly SWEATER

WHAT'S YOUR
FAVOURITE?



And the
winner
is....



Michael and Sherry

Updates & Reminders

Important Yearbook Information

Due to publisher deadlines, the yearbook will only be available for purchase through [School Cash Online](#) until January 15, 2022. Please avoid disappointment and order yours today.

Winter Weather



Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for winter conditions and allow extra time to get to school. All NVSD schools will remain OPEN, if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. and announced through the NVSD homepage website and schools' websites, through media, and shared with parents/guardians via School Messenger (email and/or text) and emailed to staff. For more information, please visit the [Severe Weather page](#) on the NVSD website.

North Vancouver School District Chess Championship

After a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19, the North Vancouver School District Chess Championship returns on Friday, February 4, 2022. The tournament will be hosted at Carson Graham Secondary.

Registration is open to all NVSD students, and all skill levels are welcome. There is both an elementary and secondary division for players to enter. While there is no fee to enter, pre-registration is required as there are a maximum number of participants in each division.

To register, students can scan the QR code outside Ms. Brady's classroom.

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School Fees	<p>School fees for the first semester are online for payment through School Cash Online. These fees are necessary to cover the supplemental expenses that take place in these courses (groceries in Foods, material for Textiles, lumber for Woodworking, etc.)</p> <p>Please ensure your first semester fees are paid up to date. Second semester fees will be added to School Cash Online in early February, 2022.</p>
Attendance	<p>Please report student absences by email: seycove@sd44.ca.</p> <p>Please ensure the word “absence” appears in the subject line and please put your student’s full name and grade in the body of the email. You can also notify the school of a students’ late arrival or early dismissal. Students who are late should go directly to their class not the office.</p>
Masks	<p>Please ensure your child brings a mask to school daily. The office has a limited supply and is not able to provide new masks to students every day.</p>
Awards & Recognition Programs	<p>Please click here for information on Seycove Awards and Recognition Programs.</p>

Athletics

Ski Team

Seymour Training: 5:00-7:00 pm January 5, 12, 17, 26, 31

Blackcomb Training: January 19

Zone Race (Blackcomb): February 3