



École Secondaire Windsor Secondary School

FAMILY NEWSLETTER- MARCH 2026

We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Səlilwətał Nation, on whose unceded traditional territory École Windsor Secondary resides.

IMPORTANT DATES:

MARCH 2

7:30pm - WPAC meeting (Library)

MARCH 3

[Holi Hindu 'Festival of colours'](#)

MARCH 5

Earth quake Drill

MARCH 8

[International Women's Day](#)
Daylight saving time begins

MARCH 10

Report cards published

MARCH 12

Parent Teacher Interviews 2-4 pm &
5:30-7:30 pm
Early dismissal at 1pm

MARCH 13

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MARCH 17

St. Patrick's Day

MARCH 16-27

Spring break

PARENT INPUT - STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY WITH THE BC MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

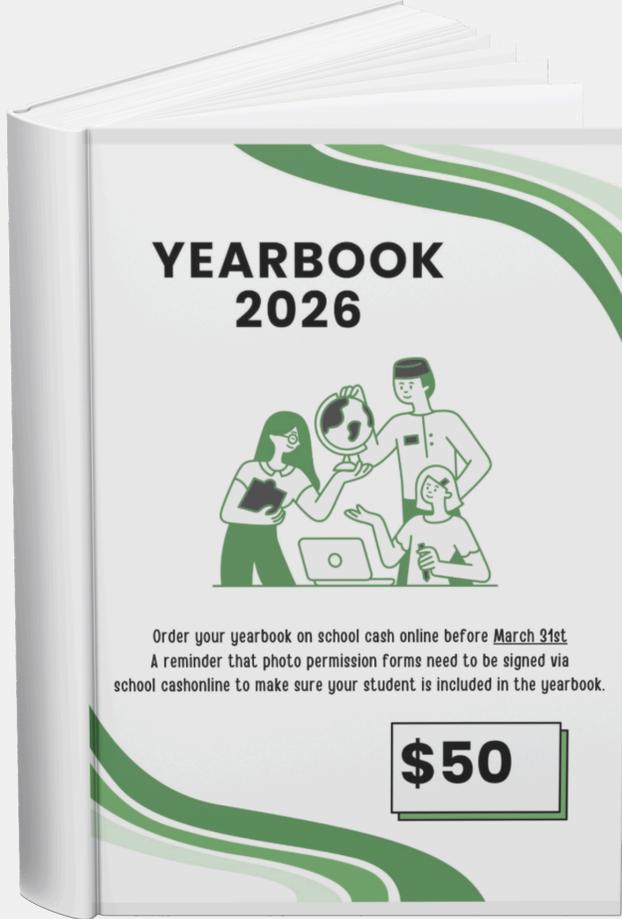
The Student Learning Survey is completed every year by students in grades 4, 7, 10 and 12 in schools across British Columbia. The survey asks questions about experiences in school, the learning environment, health and well-being, and reflections about how students are improving as a learner. Responses are also gathered from school staff and our parent community. Your responses are used to improve the education system in BC.

Your responses are confidential and protected by the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

1. Click on the link to access the survey: [2025-26 Student Learning Survey](#)
2. Select our school district '44 North Vancouver' from the drop-down menu
3. Select 'Windsor Secondary' as the school



YEAR BOOK



OLYMPIC SPIRIT



“ Sledge hockey was super fun, and its cool to see how an adapted sport works! -Ellie W ”

Our Éducation physique 8 & 9 classes recently took part in a Mini-Olympics at Windsor, rotating through a series of winter-inspired events focused on teamwork, movement, and inclusive play. A highlight for many students was the opportunity to try sledge hockey, supported by equipment from Sportability BC. Students built empathy and awareness while experiencing a sport designed for athletes of all abilities. It was an energetic, memorable day that combined physical challenge, collaboration, and learning through experience.



CAREER EDUCATION

SD44 offers a variety of Career Education programs and opportunities. Learn more at [Career Pathways](#).

Students seeking paid work or volunteer opportunities can visit the [WINDSOR WORK EXPERIENCE BLOG](#), check the career board (stairwell between 200 & 300 levels), or see Ms. Misceo or Ms. Senoner in Room 203.

Upcoming Events

Careers in the Arts

An information night for students and families interested in exploring careers and pathways in visual arts, music, music therapy, dance, fashion design, architecture, gallery curation, jewelry making, animation, special effects, and acting. Meet local professionals and post-secondary representatives.

Date: Monday, March 9, 2026

Location: Gordon Smith Gallery (2121 Lonsdale Ave)

Time: 6:00pm -7:30pm

Optional Registration at [Arts Career Fair](#)

For more info contact Jennifer Kinakin, District Career Coordinator at jkinakin@sd44.ca or careerpathways@sd44.ca.

Body Youth Trades Fair

For students and families interested in exploring the world of trades and the wide range of career opportunities available.

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2026

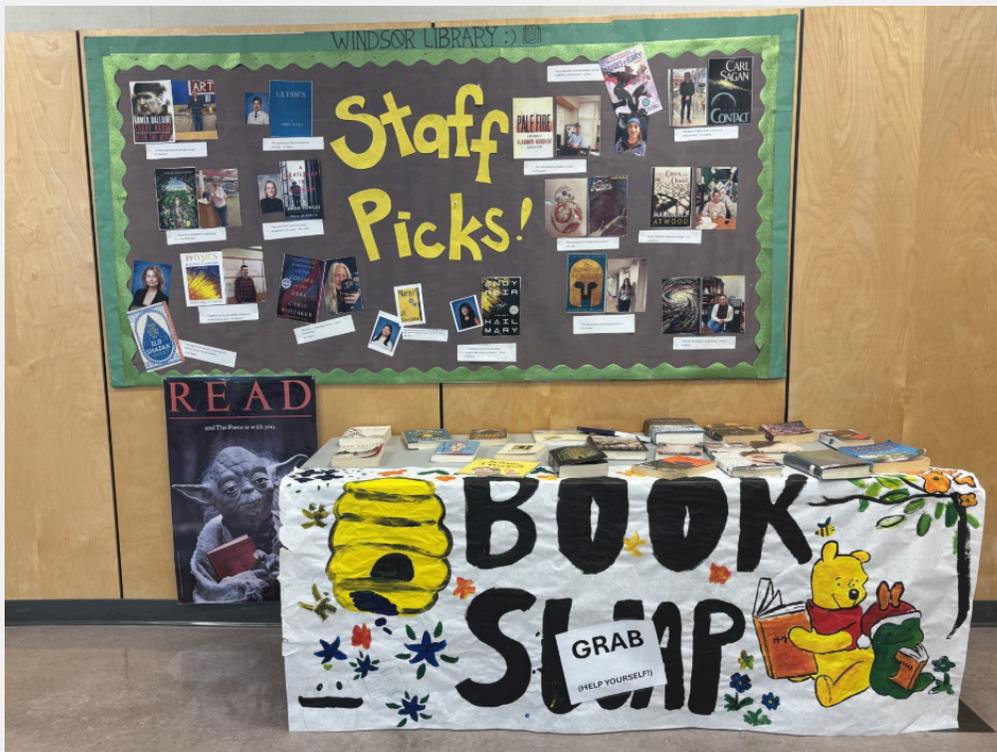
Location: Vancouver Italian Cultural Center (3075 Slocan St.)

Time: 4:00pm -7:30pm

For more information and to reserve a spot visit: [Building Tomorrow Youth Trades Fair Tickets, Tue, Mar 10, 2026 at 4:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

LIBRARY UPDATE

The Windsor Library has been celebrating reading and books the whole month of February with our Reading Ramp-up/Explosion de Lecture. There have been a variety of fun events to showcase the importance of reading in our lives. The month long ramp-up/explosion has happened to coincide with the [Freedom to Read](#) week, Feb. 22-28 when Canadians are encouraged to champion the freedom to read what we want and the importance of intellectual freedom. Both of these are very important elements of a free society!



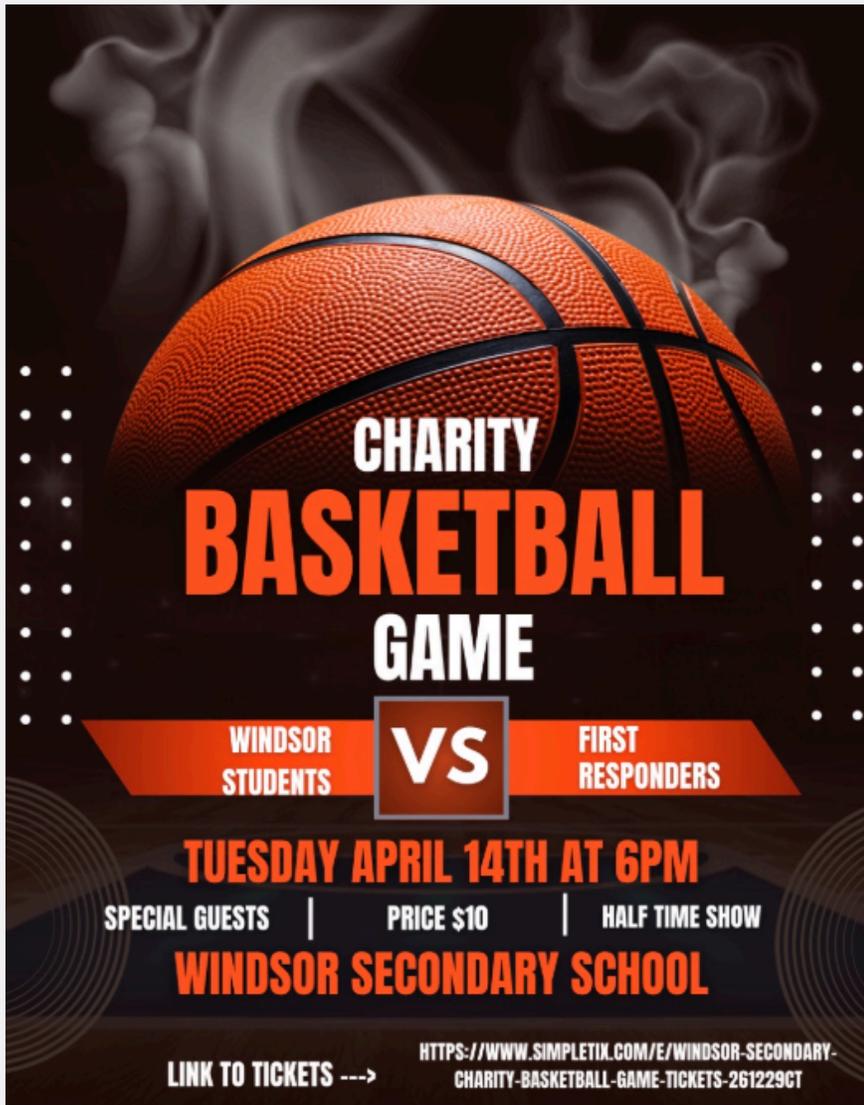
On behalf of the Library Student Advisory & Windsor Library staff, we would like to thank the staff and students for their awesome support of reading and literacy. We are so very lucky to be part of a school community that honours reading and embraces the opportunity to foster reading and literacy skills in a fun way.

The students voted *The Outsiders* and *Killing Mr Griffin* as their favourite novels studied at Windsor (Grade 8 rites of passage?), with *The Great Gatsby* coming in third. The Digital Literacy/Media Design students who created the AMAZING posters about the importance of reading summed it up best. Congratulations to Ryan Alian, Pedram Manesh and James Gaydon who all won gift certificates to 32 Books based on popular vote!



Congratulations to the junior classes who collectively read over 5000 minutes in our Reading Ramp-up Readathon. The classes who read the most were Asher Chapman's two English 10 classes; they will be celebrating their incredible achievements with a pizza party. The FRAL bingo challengers won sweet treats for reading a variety of texts en français. Félicitations tout le monde!

Student Council presents



**CHARITY
BASKETBALL
GAME**

WINDSOR STUDENTS VS FIRST RESPONDERS

TUESDAY APRIL 14TH AT 6PM

SPECIAL GUESTS | PRICE \$10 | HALF TIME SHOW

WINDSOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

LINK TO TICKETS ---> [HTTPS://WWW.SIMPLETIX.COM/E/WINDSOR-SECONDARY-CHARITY-BASKETBALL-GAME-TICKETS-261229CT](https://www.simpletix.com/e/windsor-secondary-charity-basketball-game-tickets-261229ct)



**WINDSOR SECONDARY
CHARITY BASKETBALL
GAME**

 **VS** 

April 14, 2026 • 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Windsor Secondary • North Vancouver, BC

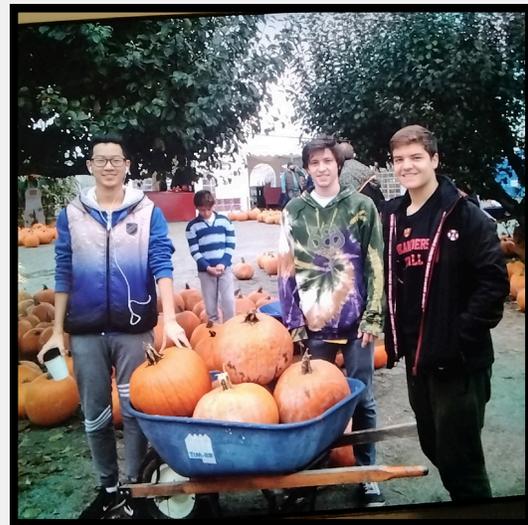
Benefiting: Cops for Cancer & DNV Firefighters Charitable Society

Tickets: \$10

HOMESTAY FAMILIES 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 have secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school terms beginning February and September 2026, and February 2027. If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to the International Education program office at international@sd44.ca. More information about the homestay program is available on the [International Education](#) section of the school district website.



FOOD ACCESS FOR STUDENTS

Windsor has had, for a number of years, a food access program available for students in need. A hot and cold water station with a microwave exists on the 300 level. There are a number of breakfast and snack items available.



We want to make sure that as a community we are looking out for each other and those students who are in need are priority for this program.

Any students interested in volunteering for the breakfast program are asked to come to the office.

KEEP US IN THE LOOP!

Contact information

Please ensure your contact information, especially email and phone number, are up to date. You can see the contact information that Windsor has in MyEd.

MyEd is also where you can access your students' timetable, course requests for next year, report cards and attendance records.

[My Ed BC Portal Tips & Resources](#)

When changing your mailing address, please attach a copy of proof of address. An example would be a utility bill, BCID, Drivers Licence, credit card invoice etc.

Vacations and Extended Absences

If a student is away for more than a couple of days, parents need to fill in a Student Extended Absence form, to be signed by teachers. The form can be found on the [Windsor website](#).

Thank you for helping us to keep up to date!

SCHOOL FEES

Course fees have been added to your account. Please login to [School Cash Online](#) to make the payment. We appreciate the prompt payment of these fees so the teachers are able to purchase the supplies required for this semester as soon as possible. Note that students with outstanding athletic and school fees will not be able to pick up their Yearbooks or Grad Gowns in June until their accounts are up to date.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Windsor would like to raise the awareness of families around the importance of attendance and its relation to student outcomes. Attendance matters; research has shown that students who attend less than 90% of the time (this is the equivalent to ½ day per week; students who miss several consecutive days are even more at risk) have greater academic struggles, disengage from school, and are at risk for not graduating. It also removes them from social circles and can make it challenging for them to reintegrate back with friends, particularly if they have missed important social bonding situations. Please see the [Attendance Matters document](#) which includes some important information for supporting your child's attendance.

TO REPORT AN ABSENCE:

- Email windsor@sd44.ca (preferred) *
- Please remember to include the words **absence** or **attendance** in the subject line
- or Call Attendance Line: 604-903-3707

WHEN REPORTING ABSENCES

-You may report an absence on same the day until 3:00 p.m., in advance for a future date if you know ahead of time, or for previous dates that were missed.

Please indicate:

- Student First Name
- Student Last Name (if leaving a voice message please spell the last name)
- Grade
- Date of absence (whole day/portion of the day)
- Explanation for absence (“excused”, “ill”, “appointment”, “vacation”).

It is critical that student absence explanations are specific to ensure accurate reporting to the School District and Public Health Unit, when necessary.

- Your name & relationship with the student. (Only messages from parents and legal guardians are accepted)

PARKING AT WINDSOR

Parking is limited during the school day. With the need to provide adequate parking for school and district staff, guests, community, and students, we request that everyone adheres to the parking guidelines we have in place.

To park at Windsor students and staff must:

- register their vehicles in the office
- display decal on their windshield
- park in the correct lot
- adhere to the parking regulations

1. Broadview Lot: Parking in the front lot is for school & district staff and visitors only. **Students may not park in this lot.** Parents, please park in the available visitor spots. Please do not drop off students in the Broadview parking lot as this is a student safety issue

2. Lytton Lot: Parking is for staff and students. Unfortunately, if this lot is full, students will need to park off school site.

We have noted an increase in the number of vehicles parked illegally including in areas clearly marked as no parking. For example, vehicles parked in yellow zones, areas marked for emergency vehicles, and in front of waste disposal bins.

Students who park illegally will have their parking privileges revoked. Additionally, illegally parked vehicles may be towed without warning. While we are reluctant to resort to this, repeated warnings have not been followed. If your vehicle is towed, please contact Payless Auto Towing.



We continue to encourage students to walk or take transit to school.