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Spring Break March 16th– April 1st, 2024

See you on April 2nd!

On April 9th, 30 Grade 9 students will head to Japan for a two-week cultural experience returning on April 23rd.

Check out the full story on page 11 and don't forget to follow their journey via the blog!



Linear Schedule Update

A secondary schedule update was recently sent out by NVSD to all families. Please follow the link below for more information.

[Secondary School Schedule Update—FAQ](#)

Next year, students will take up to eight courses with four courses on Day 1 and four courses on Day 2. Day 1 & Day 2 will alternate all year.

Tutorial time will remain on the timetable next year.

Visit our school website for up-to-date information on all things Handsworth!



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Upcoming Events Summary

March 12 & 14.....	Strings Extravaganza @HSS
March 13.....	Wonderful Winds Concert @HSS
March 13.....	Grade 9 Careers Jr Achievement Workshop
March 15-24.....	Music Tour to Spain and Portugal
March 18-29.....	Spring Break
April 1.....	Easter Monday (No School)
April 2.....	Classes Resume
April 2.....	Grade 9 Immunizations
April 8.....	University of Calgary Visit (Room 1036)
April 11.....	Basketball Banquet
April 15.....	HPAC Meeting
April 9-23.....	Japan Exchange Trip

For a FULL and UP TO DATE list of all events happening at Handsworth, please visit our [live calendar on the school website](#)

Attn: Drivers! Safety and Flow in the Parking Lots



A reminder that our parking lots are designed for one-way traffic movement only.

When travel by car is necessary, we ask parents to **make use of designated drop off area** located on the North side of the building. To ensure flow, please do not stop in the middle of the parking lot, crosswalk, or on the street for drop off/pick up.

Note: the West parking lot is NOT a student pick up or drop off zone. We want to ensure this lot is available and SAFE for students and visitors with accessibility needs.

As always, we continue to encourage students to walk, bike, or transit to school whenever possible.

Please ensure only those cars with a wheelchair decal are using our accessible parking spots.

We have a number of students and families who require the use of these spots for drop off and pick up.



Attendance Procedures—Important Reminder to Parents/ Guardians



Please report your student's absence AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Please call **(604) 903-3600 Ext. 2** to report your child's absence.

****Calls can be made 24/7****

When reporting your child's absence, please provide the following information:

Last name of the student (***please spell clearly***)

- First name of the student
- Grade
- Date of absence
- The time the student will be absent. For example "1st class of the day", "last class of the day", "am only", "all day"
- Reason: Excused, Appointment, Illness, Vacation etc.
- **NOTE:** We cannot record "may be in later" "will be in if he/she feels better".

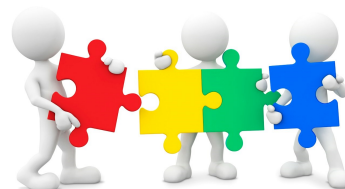
Thank you!!

LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS— PUZZLE DONATIONS WELCOME

Will you be doing some Spring cleaning this break? Do you have any puzzles you are ready to pass along?



The Handsworth Library Learning Commons would love to use your second-hand puzzles, preferably in the 500 to 1000 piece range, for our Community Puzzle program. This program has grown in popularity since we introduced it last year. It's been great to see students (and staff) in the library who are collaborating and building connections as they engage in puzzle-solving at tutorial, lunch and after school. Interested? Please label any puzzle donations with a post-it indicating LIBRARY, and bring them to the school office. Thank you in advance for your donation.



AP Exam Schedule & Info



Instructions for Students:

1. Students are asked to report in person to the Exam Room at least 30 minutes before the start of each exam for a prompt start. Extra time will not be possible for late arrivals
2. Do not bring unnecessary items into the venue to avoid delays. [AP Exam What to Bring & Not to Bring on Exam Day - AP Students | College Board](#)
3. Bring your school student ID card or Government Photo ID (you cannot sit the exam with out this ID)
4. Before you enter the library, organize yourself by taking care of the following;
 - A. Cell phones must be powered off and left in your backpack.
 - B. All unnecessary items including rough paper, pencil cases, books, and jackets must be placed in backpacks.
 - C. Ensure that you bring an exam approved calculator. [AP Exam Calculator Policy – AP Students | College Board](#)
 - D. Pens and pencils will need to be held in your hands as they cannot be in pencil cases.
 - E. Bring water and/or a quick snack if you need to.

For more information visit the [Handsworth School website](#)



DATE	Morning 8:00am <i>report at 7:30am</i>	ROOM	Afternoon 12:00pm <i>report at 11:30am</i>	ROOM
TUES April 30 th	AP Computer Science Principles Digital Portfolio DUE			
FRI May 3 rd	AP Art & Design Digital Portfolio DUE			
MON May 6 th	-----	-----	Chemistry	LIBRARY
TUES May 7 th	Microeconomics	LIBRARY (External Students) 2002/2003 (Handsworth Students)	Statistics	LIBRARY
WED May 8 th	-----	-----	Computer Science A	LIBRARY
THURS May 9 th	Chinese Language & Culture	LIBRARY	Psychology	LIBRARY
FRI May 10 th	-----	-----	Macroeconomics	LIBRARY (A-S) 2023 (W-Z)
MON May 13 th	Calculus AB Calculus BC	Calc. AB LIBRARY Calc. BC 2023	-----	-----
TUES May 14 th	English Language & Composition	LIBRARY	-----	-----
WED May 15 th	French Language & Culture	LIBRARY	Computer Science Principles	LIBRARY
THURS May 16 th	-----	-----	Biology	LIBRARY
FRI May 17 th	Physics 1: Algebra-Based	LIBRARY	-----	-----

Grade 12 Literacy Assessment

Att: ALL Grade 12 Students and Parents/Guardians

The BC Graduation Program requires ALL students graduating in BC to write the following Graduation Assessments in order to meet graduation requirements:

- ◆ [Grade 10 Graduation Numeracy Assessment](#)
- ◆ [Grade 10 Graduation Literacy Assessment](#)
- ◆ [Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment](#)

All Grade 12 students at Handsworth will be required to write their **Graduation Literacy 12 assessment** during the assessment period **April 16th – April 19th, 2024**. This Assessment is a mandatory grad requirement for all students planning on graduating in British Columbia.

Please ensure you record your scheduled assessment time so that you are aware of when and where you are scheduled to write. Students have been divided according to (legal) last name.

Students will need to arrive to the Library Learning Commons no later than 8:15am for the morning session and 12:15pm for the afternoon session. This gives time to log in and ensure students are all set up for the assessment start time. Please remember to bring a pen/pencil to the session and power down cellphones/electronics before entering the exam room.

For specific information regarding the graduation assessment policies, assessment structure and schedule please visit the [school webpage under exams](#) and visit [Grade 12 Graduation Literacy Assessment](#), for further information, videos and practice assessments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email the grade 12 counsellor, Ms. Robyn Renwick at rrenwick@sd44.ca or Vice Principal Jagruti Desai at jdesai@sd44.ca.

This Schedule is for ALL GRADE 12s				
Students must arrive 15 minutes PRIOR to their scheduled assessment start time				
Library	Tuesday April 16	Wednesday April 17	Thursday April 18	Friday April 19
AM 8:30 am – 11:30 am	Literacy 12 Last Name A - Ch	Literacy 12 Last Name H - K	Literacy 12 Last Name Mor - Rah	Literacy 12 Last Name T - Z
Library	Tuesday April 16	Wednesday April 17	Thursday April 18	
PM 12:30pm – 3:30 pm	Literacy 12 Last Name Cl - G	Literacy 12 Last Name L - Moo	Literacy 12 Last Name Ram - S	

CAREER, JOB & VOLUNTEER FAIR

COME EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS, SKILLS AND VALUES

- CACTUS CLUB
- BROWNS SOCIAL HOUSE
- CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE
- GROUSE MTN LANDSCAPING
- CANADIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE
- JIM PATTISON AUTO GROUP
- ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY
- SKILLED TRADES BC
- SUPERNOVA SALON
- CIBC
- RCMP
- VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH
- ZEN MAKER LAB
- BCIT HEALTH SERVICES
- NOTH VAN REC CENTRE
- AND MORE.....



TUES APRIL 23, 2024

GRAND COMMONS AREA
8:45AM-1:30PM

Work Experience Opportunities

Exciting Announcement for Aspiring Minds!

Turner Construction invites Grade 10, 11 & 12 students for an exclusive Job Shadowing Opportunity with Canadian Turner Construction Company!

When: March 18th to March 22nd

Who: Grade 10, 11 & 12 Students

Explore the world of construction firsthand and spend a week with our dedicated team to discover diverse career paths!

To apply, complete the form, and we'll get back to you at our earliest convenience.

Application Form: https://lnkd.in/gpcH_MGN

LaSalle College Vancouver's Structured Work Experience and Training Program (SWEAT) provides students with valuable work experience in a simulated creative work environment. Students choose their area of interest from a wide array of industry areas: design, media, arts, fashion and culinary. Students are not passive observers – they are required to participate and are guided by faculty members who are industry professionals on a project from concept to final product.

Priority given to grade 12 students. All applicant should be grade 11 and above.

Deadline is March 15th, 2024

To apply, students must register at: www.lasallecollegevancouver.com

Any questions: Jessica Sweetnam: jesweetnam@lasallecollegvancouver.com



**SWEAT
2024**

Receive 30 hours of collaborative hands-on workshop work experience

LIMITED CLASS SIZES

MARCH 25-28, 2024

The graphic features a group of diverse students in a circular frame, with a purple and red background. The text is overlaid on the image.

Grade 10 & 11 Workshop—Children of the Street

Handsworth Secondary is excited to welcome the Children of the Street Society to deliver this 60 minute interactive workshop to our Grade 10 & 11 male identifying students about the harms of toxic masculinity, ways to ask for consent, and some tips on how to be an active bystander.

MAY 15th, 2024

10:30am - 11:30am

Handsworth Theatre



REDEFINING

MASCULINITY WORKSHOP



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 **Handsworth Theatre**



**Children
of the Street**

<https://www.childrenofthestreet.com/>

Grade 10 & 12 Student & Parent Survey

During the months of January to April, North Vancouver School District is participating in the 2024 Ministry of Education Anonymous Student Learning Survey in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province.

In addition to grade 10s and 12s, parents/guardians/caregivers can complete the online Anonymous Student Learning Surveys any time before 11:59 pm May 3rd, 2024, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

In April, Handsworth Students in Grades 10 and 12 will complete the survey at the school with their Period 5 class.

Instructions for parents/guardians/caregivers:

To complete the survey:

1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
2. Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm
3. Under the section Direct Access – no logon number required select:
 - District: the name of your child’s district
 - School: the name of your child’s school
 - Language: the language of your choice
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards.
5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message “Thank you for sharing your views”.
6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

Thank you for participating in this innovative project. If you need more information, visit <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>



A Royal Thank You!

Handsworth Secondary would like to extend its deepest gratitude to **Erik Jensen**. Six years ago, our football program was on the verge of folding due to declining player participation and other obstacles that presented themselves. Erik volunteered to become the Football Program's manager. He worked tirelessly to stabilize the program's finances, organizing all transportation, athletic therapists, and team apparel. In addition, Erik fulfilled so many other extremely important jobs to assist with the success of the football program. His expertise in logistics was greatly needed and as a result we have roughly 100 students playing football at Handsworth.

Erik has decided to step away from football and support his daughter Camryn in her field hockey pursuits of playing for Canada's National Team and representing Canada at the Olympics Games.

Thank you, Erik!!!



GRAD 2024 INFORMATION



Grad Ceremony 2023-2024

Grad Fees:

Parents/ Guardians - please check your school cash online account for the following fee deadlines:

Grad Ceremony - fee of \$55.00 is due on Mach 15, 2024

Handsworth 2024 Commencement Ceremony

Location: Queen Elizabeth Theatre

630 Hamilton St, Vancouver, BC V6B 5N6

ARRIVAL TIMES: Tentatively 6:30 pm

More details to follow

Check the [Handsworth website](#) for the latest updates

2023-2024 Japan Exchange Preparing for Departure!!



The Japan Exchange students and chaperones are busy preparing for our upcoming departure!

Classes on Japanese culture, etiquette, origami, and the preparation of presentations and performances have been ongoing since the fall to prepare students to represent Handsworth and North Vancouver during our travels to and throughout Japan!

On April 9th, 30 Grade 9 students will depart for a two-week cultural experience of Japan, this program has been running at Handsworth for over 34 years! During the first week they will be visiting the historic and cultural centres of Kyoto, Nara, Hiroshima, and Takayama. During the second week they will be home staying with students of Handsworth's sister school of Inage in Chiba, Japan (the sister city of North Vancouver) fully immersing themselves in Japan culture, returning on April 23rd.

Follow their adventures on the trip blog at <https://handsworthjapan2024.wordpress.com>



Group photo from the 2022-23 Trip

Upcoming Theatre Productions

HERE LIES THE TRUTH

May 1-4, 2024

Annual Handsworth Senior Theatre & Dance School Play

Tickets: \$30 through school cash online

[Wed. May 1, 2024 @ 7 pm](#)

[Thurs. May 2, 2024 @ 7 pm](#)

[Friday, May 3, 2024 @ 7 pm](#)

[Saturday, May 4, 2024 @ 7 pm](#)

Tickets on sale NOW!

click on your preferred date to purchase your tickets

See poster on next page!!



Handsworth Dance Department presents: **Hands Up 2024!**

June 6th & 7th at 7pm

Venue: Handsworth Theatre

Tickets on sale May 23rd via [school cash online](#)

Come and see over 120 Handsworth dancers perform a variety of dance styles in our year end show. We will be celebrating our grads and another successful year of dance at Handsworth!



Handsworth Music Notes

Upcoming Concerts

Ice cream concert June 5th 7– 9 pm in the Handsworth Grand Commons



**Handsworth
presents**



**HERE LIES THE
TRUTH**

**Handsworth Theatre
May 1-4, 2024 @ 7pm**

Student Council

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Or reach them via MS Teams

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Or reach them via MS Teams



Follow us on Instagram for the latest news & events:



Handsworth PAC News

The following content is shared on behalf the Handsworth Parent Advisory Council

Handsworth Royals Hot Lunches

Place your Royals Hot Lunch order using this [Munch a Lunch link](#) making ordering easier than ever!

Please visit the [Handsworth Hot Lunch page](#) for the most updated information

Royals Hot Lunch delivery dates: once per week on rotating Mondays and Thursdays



Click on the "contact us" option in [Munch a Lunch](#) or email munch@handsworthpac.ca with any Munch-a-Lunch ordering questions.

Next PAC Meeting

No Meeting in March—Next Meeting: Monday, April 15, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Check out the [HPAC page on the Handsworth website](#) for all the latest HPAC related information!