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Cross Country Team Wins at Sea to Sky Zone Championships

Solid day at the Sea to Sky Zone Championships for the XC team as all four teams qualified for Provincials!!!

The Junior Boys won the championships with Casey Hemstead placing 2nd and Eames Kim placing 3rd overall. The Senior girls also won the championships with Maggie Cormack moving up to Seniors and placing 5th overall. Junior Girls placed 3rd and Senior Boys placing 4th.

Way to go Royals!

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



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Upcoming Events Summary

November 21.....	Huron at Western University Visit at Lunch
November 22.....	St. Francis Xavier University Visit at Lunch
November 24.....	School Based Pro-D Day
December 1.....	Trades Fair (Grand Commons)
December 1.....	Dalhousie University Visit at Lunch
December 4.....	District-Wide Pro-D Day
December 6.....	Sweet Music (7-9PM Grand Commons)
December 9.....	Digital Media Youth Expo @ Argyle
December 7-9.....	No Regrets Basketball Tournament
December 11.....	Elementary String Christmas Concert (Grand Commons)
December 14-15.....	Dance Showcase
December 20.....	Christmas Concert (Grand Commons)

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

Safety and Flow in the Parking Lots During Drop Off and Pick Up

Attn: Drivers!

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 at 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.



DROP OFF

Note that 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.

REPORT CARDS

Semester One Interim Report Cards were published to the MyEd Parent Portal on Monday, November 20th.

ACCESSING REPORT CARDS ONLINE:

- Login using this link: www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca
 - Bookmark the portal for quick access during the next reporting period.
- All parents/guardians new to the NVSD will receive an email with their MyEducation BC Portal account information (login and temporary password).
- The username is your email address.

Passwords:

- Parents/guardians are required to reset their password every three months as per the regulations set out by the Ministry of Education and FOIPPA (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act).

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

[MyEducation BC – How to use the parent portal](#)

[MyEducation BC – How to reset your password](#)

[Tips and troubleshooting](#)

If you continue to have trouble logging in please send an email to handsworth@sd44.ca and indicate your name, your student's name and grade, and the issue you are having.

IMPORTANT! Parents/Guardians please **print and save report cards** because they automatically disappear from the Portal at the end of the school year.

Make sure you are on the "Pages" Top Tab

Click on the pdf file to open report card.

*Please note that some students may have multiple report cards.

NEW MINISTRY STUDENT REPORTING POLICY

Starting this year, BC is working with a new Ministry Student Reporting Policy. The B.C. curriculum is flexible and focuses on literacy, numeracy, and the First Peoples Principles of Learning. At Handsworth, and across the province, Communicating Student Learning (the Report Card) gives students, parents, and caregivers a clear understanding of what students can already do and areas for future growth. Classroom assessment and reporting is focused on student proficiency in relation to the established learning standards, student engagement, and deeper learning that transfers into life outside the classroom.

One of the biggest changes to note is for our Grade 8 and 9 students. Below is the Provincial Proficiency Scale that you will now see on Report Cards to indicate where your student is in their learning journey in each course. Below is a description of the proficiency scale indicators that teachers are using in classes and on reports.

You can find more information about the new Ministry Reporting Policy at: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/reporting/resources-for-parents-and-caregivers>

The Provincial Proficiency Scale

If your child is in Grades K-9, you won't see letter grades on their report card. Instead, you will see information on where your child is on the Provincial Proficiency Scale. The scale uses the terms "Emerging," "Developing," "Proficient," and "Extending" to describe student learning. The scale maintains high standards for student learning.

Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
Emerging means your child is beginning to understand something in an area of learning. They are still learning but may need more support to move ahead. Emerging doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Developing means your child understands some things in an area of learning but still has other areas to work on. Like Emerging, it doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Proficient is the goal for your child. It's also the goal for all students. When your child is Proficient, it means they fully understand the required learning. But it doesn't mean their learning stops.	Extending is when students show a deeper understanding. It's when your child is able to apply their learning in new and different ways. Extending is not the goal for all students in every area of learning.

Upcoming January Session for Graduation Assessments

This is a reminder to ALL Grade 10 students and ALL Semester 1 FRAL 12 students.

As per the message sent home on November 14th, 2023 all of our Grade 10s and our Grade 12s currently enrolled in FRAL 12 this semester, are required to write your Graduation Literacy Assessment in January.

The schedule for assessments is below. Please ensure you arrive to the Library Learning Commons no later than 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

These assessments are mandatory for students graduating in BC.

Teachers will be informed that students will be missing class to write their assessments.

More information regarding these assessments can be found on the BC Ministry website:

[BC Ministry of Education Graduation Assessments](#)

This Schedule is for ALL GRADE 10s writing the Literacy 10 and ALL SEMESTER 1 FRAL students				
Students must arrive 15 minutes PRIOR to their scheduled assessment start time				
Library	Monday January 15	Tuesday January 16	Wednesday January 17	Thursday January 18
AM 8:30 am – 11:30 am	Literacy 10 Last Name A - C	FRAL 12 WRITTEN All Semester 2 students	FRAL 12 ORAL ALL Semester 1 students (times as prescheduled)	Literacy 10 Last Name O - Ser
Library	Monday January 15	Tuesday January 16	Wednesday January 17	Thursday January 18
PM 12:30pm – 3:30 pm	Literacy 10 Last Name D - G	Literacy 10 Last Name H - K	Literacy 10 Last Name L - N	Literacy 10 Last Name Sh - Z

French Literacy 12 - For all French Immersion Grade 12 students in Semester 1:

Written Component - January 16, 2024 @ 8:30 am

Oral Component - January 17th, 2024 (scheduled time as shown) ->

S1- FRAL 12 ORAL		
Last Name	Date	Time slot
A - Fa	17-Jan	8:45
Fo - Hu	17-Jan	9:30
K - Maj	17-Jan	10:15
Mar - Ram	17-Jan	11:00
Ree - Vaz	17-Jan	11:45

Questions? Please contact your [Grade Counsellor and Grade Admin.](#)

Consent Forms Due November 30th

Do you want your photo in the Yearbook?

The Yearbook production deadline is coming up soon; and to avoid any disappointment of being left out of the yearbook, we need your forms completed by **November 30th, 2023**. If you have already completed the forms, no need to do anything further!

To access the forms:

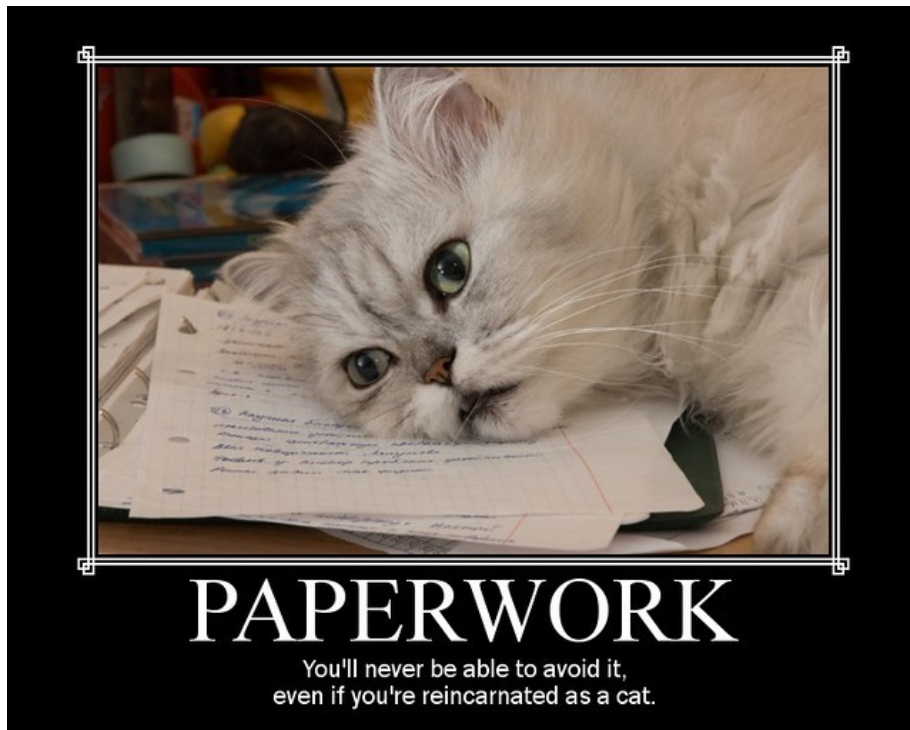
Please sign into your [Cash-On-Line](#) account and complete these two PIC forms if you haven't done so already!

1. **Personal information Consent (PIC) - photo consent**
 - a. Parent/Guardian Consent
 - b. Secondary Student Consent

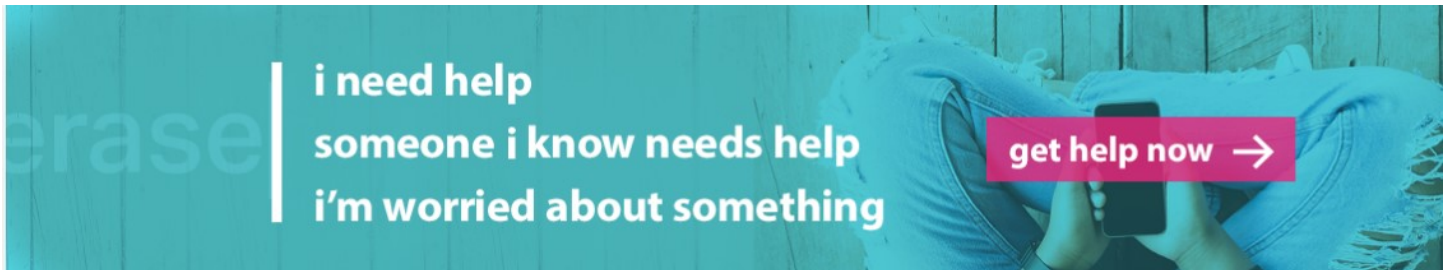
Other student permission forms required:

2. **Student Acceptable Use of Technology**
3. **Impromptu Walking Field Trip Informed Consent**

If you require any assistance with your account, please check the [Cash-On-Line Information Sheet](#) or email the school office at handsworth@sd44.ca.



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erase - Expect Respect & a Safe Education is about building safe and caring school communities. This includes empowering students, families, educators and the community partners who support them to get help with challenges, report concerns to schools, and learn about complex issues facing students. erase started in 2004 through the provincial government's Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools Strategy, and has since evolved.

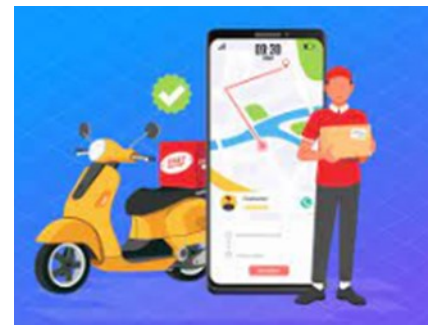
Families are encouraged to review the resources and information found on the [erase website](#) with their children, including about online safety, mental health and well-being, substance abuse, bullying, racism, sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) and more. There is also a [reporting tool](#) to get help and support.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your student's counsellor and/or administrator. All staff emails can be found on the [Handsworth website](#).

Use of Food Delivery Services & Meal Drop Off

We kindly request that all food deliveries occur outside of regular class time.

If you are ordering lunch for your child – or they are ordering for themselves – please schedule all deliveries during the lunch break or non-instructional periods. We always aim to minimize disruptions to classes and to ensure that students can fully engage in their learning activities without interruptions.



Please also arrange with your child to pick-up all delivered items outside of the school. The office cannot be accountable for food delivery items when dropped off inside; it is up to students to coordinate and take responsibility for their own food pick-up outside of the building.

Your cooperation in adhering to these guidelines is greatly appreciated.

Handsworth Music Notes

The Music Department had its first concerts of the year on October 24th and 25th and they were a huge success!



Upcoming Concerts:

- **Sweet Music Concert:** December 6th
- **Zone Christmas Concert** (with elementary schools) mid December—*check the Handsworth website for the latest information on dates*



Watch for Handsworth music students playing or singing in Edgemont Village throughout December!

Handsworth Dance Presents “What We Care About”

Save the date! December 14th & 15th

More than 100 Handsworth dancers will be performing December 14th and 15th in their winter show entitled “What Matters To Us”. The show is in the Handsworth Theatre.

Tickets will be \$20 and go on sale December 1st through school cash online.

HANDSWORTH DANCE PRESENTS



DEC. 14TH AND 15TH 2023 @ 7pm
TICKETS \$20 SCHOOL CASH ONLINE
HANDSWORTH THEATRE

No Regrets Basketball Tournament 2023



Handsworth is proud to welcome the 2023 No Regret's Basketball Tournament.

When: December 7-9, 2023

The Quinn Keast Foundation is proud to bring back the No Regrets Tournament for the 2023-24 season! Our senior boys and girls basketball teams will lace up their shoes from December 7th-9th.

2023 Games Schedule:

[No Regrets Tournament Schedule and Results](#)



For more information on the history of the No regrets Tournament as well as the Quinn Keast Foundation, please visit the website at: [NO REGRETS BASKETBALL \(noregretsball.com\)](http://www.noregretsball.com)

Senior Girls Field Hockey Champions!

Handsworth's Senior Girls Field Hockey Team placed #1 in the province for the second year in a row ! This win makes us the most decorated field hockey team in Handsworth's history. The team won all 2 banners as well as the Bridgman cup making this Provincial win a GRAND SLAM!

Our Field Hockey Teams big win was also featured in the North Shore News! [Check it out here!](#)

Way to go Royals!





Annual Poinsettia Fundraiser

The Handsworth Basketball Parent Committee is happy to once again offer our Annual Poinsettia Fundraiser to support the Handsworth Basketball Program. Please show your support for Royals Basketball and help raise money for our athletes.

These beautiful poinsettias are perfect for decorating your home or business and they also make great hostess gifts for the holiday season.

Poinsettia Options and Pricing:

Pot Size	Red	White	Pink	Beauty Princess	Beauty Marble	White Glitter	Price Incl Tax
6" - multi bloom	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\$ 15.00
8" - multi bloom	✓	✓	✓	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	\$ 25.00
10" - multi bloom	✓	✓	✓	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	\$ 35.00
7" Kalsettia	White Kalanchoe and Red Poinsettia					✓	\$ 20.00

HOW TO ORDER IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT AT HANDSWORTH

Order online through [MunchaLunch](#) – fast and easy!

If you do not already have a [MunchaLunch](#) account, you can create one by going online to www.munchalunch.com/schools/handsworth/ add a child to your account & select their grade. Then click the yellow “Fundraising Open” option.

If you ALREADY have a [MunchaLunch](#) account, then just login and click the yellow “Fundraising Open” option.

Select the items and **the quantities** you would like to purchase and click on **"add to my cart"** and then “verify my order”, then associate the order with any child in your account & complete the payment at the time of ordering.

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OPEN FOR ORDERS: November 17th

ORDERS DUE: December 1st

ORDER PICK UP: Friday December 8th - FROM 3.00-7.00PM – Grand Commons inside the front doors of the school.

DONATIONS: If you don't need a plant, perhaps you are able to make a donation! See details on the ordering page in [MunchaLunch](#).

6" Beauty Princess



6" Beauty Marble



6" White Glitter



7" Kalsettia



GRAD 2024 FUNDRAISER

Please consider purchasing PURDY'S CHOCOLATES to support our Grads. All profits go directly back to Grads to enhance school sanctioned grad events.

Step by step for ordering chocolate:

1. Click here: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1232938-110522>
2. Enter your email
3. Look for the 3rd tab at the top of the page "SHOP ONLINE" and choose to browse through Marketplace if you like to see the photos of the products
4. Choose your products, pay online
5. **Deadline to order: Nov. 27, 2023**
6. All items will be delivered and sorted at Handsworth.
7. Pick up will be during the week of Dec. 4-8, 2023.



GRAD 2024 INFORMATION

HEY GRADS! Check your Teams on the regular!

Please note that you have all been added to a Grad Teams Page. Please check it regularly as it is your responsibility to stay informed, get involved and ask questions. Important information will be posted there, such as:

- ⇒ Scholarship applications
- ⇒ Grad Council activities
- ⇒ Grad Ceremony info
- ⇒ Grad Banquet info



Any questions? Please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Frith via Teams.

Upcoming Grad Events

Grad Movie Night: Tuesday, December 19 from 6-8pm in Room 2012-2013. Grads must sign up beforehand with Grad Council Executive (more info at the next meeting). Any parents able to volunteer and help out at this event, please contact Ms. Frith sfrith@sd44.ca.



Grad Skate at the Shipyards: Stay tuned for more details on Grad Skate night at the Shipyards, planned for Thursday, January 11, 2024. It will be a fun and inclusive way to start the New Year.

Grad 2024 Parent Committee

Are you a parent of a student graduating in June 2024? Do you wish to be informed of Grad 2024 Parent Committee events?

Please click on this link for more information: [Grad 2024 Parent Committee Communications](#)

GRAD 2024 INFORMATION

Grad Gown Sign Up OPEN

Attention all Grade 12s!

Please click on the link below to let us know YES or NO if you need a grad gown for the June 2024 commencement ceremony.

EVERYONE must complete this form. The deadline to complete this is January 31, 2024. It takes less than a minute to complete so go do it now! Thank you!

<https://forms.office.com/r/mJP9RQwMjJ>



Artona Grad Portraits—Reserve your Session Early for the Best Availability


INDIVIDUAL PHOTO SESSION

December 12-17, 2023

Book This Sitting

WHAT'S THE SESSION LIKE?

- Refundable deposit \$60 payment is valid towards your order for 90 Days
- Personalized 30 Minute Professional Studio Session
- 4 Studio Rooms and 16 different looks

Two graduate portraits side-by-side. The portrait on the left shows a young woman with dark hair, smiling, wearing a black graduation gown with a white and blue stole, holding a bouquet of red roses. The portrait on the right shows a young woman with long brown hair, smiling, wearing a black graduation gown with a white and blue stole, holding a bouquet of red roses.

Careers Corner

Welcome to Careers Corner – please check Careers Corner for monthly updates to find out what is happening in Career Education at Handsworth

Upcoming Post-Secondary Visits

Don't miss out, check the [Post-Secondary page on our website](#) regularly.

Huron at Western University	Tuesday, November 21 at Lunch 12:50 pm	Room 1036
StFX - St. Francis Xavier University	Wednesday, November 22 at Lunch 12:50 pm	Room 1036
Dalhousie University	Friday, December 1 at Lunch 12:50 pm	Room 1036

TRADES FAIR!!

....ENTER TO WIN
AMAZING PRIZES!

COME JOIN US!

FRIDAY DEC 1st 9:20 – 12:45 **LIBRARY & COMMONS AREA**

Expect to.....

***Gain** insight & advice from professionals who work in various career fields.

***Discover** post-secondary pathway options.

***Find** possible paid job opportunities and apprenticeships.

SOME OF OUR GUESTS INCLUDE:

- Cactus Club
- Born West Electric
- IATSE – Movie Industry Union
- SkilledTradesBC
- Quadrant Marine Institute
- PCL
- VCC
- Squamish Trades Center
- BCWITT – BC Women in the Trades
- CNS Elite and Ok Tire
- Electrical Union of BC
- Marine Shipbuilders Union
- BOSA
- Twin Lions Contracting
- Pitt Meadows Plumbing
- BC Ferries
- NVSD (our table!)

Handsworth PAC News

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



Thank you to all the families that participated in the Holiday Photography fundraiser. Your commitment in supporting Handsworth PAC has not gone unnoticed.

We hope to offer more fun events in the future. Watch our social media for all things school related!!

[Instagram @handsworthpac](https://www.instagram.com/handsworthpac)

Handsworth Royals Hot Lunches

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



Royals Hot Lunch delivery dates: Mondays and select 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

Monday, January 22, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Handsworth Library Learning Commons.

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



CAN YOU HELP?

Two ways to contribute:

1. **“All I want for Christmas” Youth to Youth Gift Card Campaign:** Provides gift cards for teenagers in need. Ideas include: Sephora, Happy Teen, clothing stores, iTunes.
2. **“Food for Thought” Grocery Gift Card Campaign:** Provides food for families, seniors & individuals in need.

IN-PERSON: **STUDENTS provide gift cards to Period 1 teachers**, who will place them safely in an envelope. *Bring them now until November 30th!*

ONLINE: Use this direct link and scroll down to Handsworth as a participating school:

[Caring Schools - Family Services of the North Shore](#)

Campaign runs from November 7–30th

Thank you for your generosity and support!

NEED HELP?

Do you know of a family that may benefit from this giving program? To find out more about the program and what support is available families can call the Christmas Bureau at 604-984-9627 (Monday - Friday from 10am-4pm) or visit www.familyservices.bc.ca/find-support/christmas-bureau/

Digital Media Youth Expo – December 9

The Digital Media Youth Expo is an annual event hosted by the school district's [Digital Media Academy](#) (DMA). Students, families, staff and community members will meet representatives from many Lower Mainland post-secondary institutions, local and global organizations, industry experts and studios involved in all aspects of digital media. Representatives from visual effects, animation, film, sound, web design, game design and DMA students will be in attendance to answer industry, education and career-related questions; DMA students will also showcase the projects they are working on. The Expo takes place on Saturday, December 9, from 12 noon to 3 p.m., and is free to attend. More information is available on the [Digital Media Youth Expo](#) website.

DIGITAL MEDIA YOUTH *expo*

**Industry Leaders
Demos & Presentations
12 noon till 3pm**

**Free community event
Saturday, December 9th**



Argyle Secondary School, 1131 Frederick Rd., North Vancouver

www.digitalmediayouthexpo.ca