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SEYCOVE at sóyəmətən NEWSLETTER

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.



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HOMEROOM

Monday, January 23, Period 4:
Students will receive end of semester information and their Semester 2 schedules.

Gaming Concerns, Balance, Addictions & Opportunities—Jan. 25

Presented by NVPAC, this webinar, taking place on Wednesday, January 25 at 7 p.m., will help families create a healthy game plan while delving into the research, stories, and firsthand examples of the positives and negatives in the gaming industry. [Sign up for this webinar through Eventbrite.](#)

Lunar New Year

Lunar New Year is one of the most important celebrations of the year among East and Southeast Asian cultures, including Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean communities, among others. The New Year celebration is usually celebrated for multiple days—not just one day as in the Gregorian calendar's New Year.

In 2023, Lunar New Year begins on **January 22**. 2023 is the year of the rabbit. The sign of Rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace and prosperity in Chinese culture. 2023 is predicted to be a year of hope.



[Click here](#) for more information.

Upcoming Important Dates

January 22	Lunar New Year
January 23	Home Room
January 24	BC First People's 12 Open House
January 25	Staff Collaboration— student late start at 9:50
January 25	Incoming Gr. 8 Parent Info night (current Gr. 7's)
January 25	White Hatters: Gaming Industry Concerns
January 26	Hot Lunch (salad, wrap, sandwich)
January 26	Secondary Enhanced Programs & Academies Night
January 27	Academies Applications accepted
January 27	International Holocaust Remembrance Day
January 27	Literacy 10 Assessments
January 27	End of Semester 1
January 30—31.....	Review and Completion (no classes for students)
January 31	Math Contest Registration Deadline
February 1	Semester Turnaround Day (no students)
February 1	Parent Course Programming Evening Grades 8—11
February 1	DMA Info Night at Argyle
February 2	First Day of Semester 2
February 2	PLP Information Night for New Registrants
February 7	Semester 1 Report Cards Published
February 11	Pub Night @ The Raven Fundraiser
February 17	NVSD Chess Championship

IMPORTANT FOR ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS

Complete the Seycove Local Scholarship Application form by filling in the online form. The link to the Local Scholarship form is found on the Scholarship Team general post, dated Friday, December 2.

All Seycove grade 12 students should complete this application as it addresses many scholarship and bursary opportunities, including financial need, community service, special areas of skill, academic achievement, leadership and areas of intended study and career.

Due Monday, January 23, 2023

Give Back, Carry Forward Event Invitation



You are invited!

B.C. First Peoples 12

What can I give back, even if only in a small way, to be part of Reconciliation?

Please join Seycove's inaugural B.C. First Peoples 12 class as they present the culmination of their learning in a public exhibition.

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

**Seycove Secondary School
1204 Caledonia Avenue
North Vancouver, BC**

Open House Format: Please drop in and visit any time between 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm

B.C. First Peoples 12 Public Exhibition

Over the past five months, Grade 11 and 12 learners at Seycove have been studying the history, cultural traditions and importance of B.C.'s Indigenous peoples to the fabric of British Columbia.

Throughout various classroom units and field learning at the Skw'úne-was Longhouse at the Cheakamus Centre, learners have gained new understandings, knowledge and awareness.

Informed by First Peoples Principles of Learning and the belief that learning is a reciprocal process, now that we have learned we are ready to give back.

Please join us as B.C. First Peoples 12 students share personal reflections of their learning journey from the course. Each learner will share their answer to the project's driving question: **What can I give back, even if only in a small way, to be a part of Reconciliation?**

To learn more about B.C. First Peoples 12 at Seycove, please visit our [public course website](#) to see the topics we have explored and the investigations we have undertaken.

We look forward to seeing you and sharing our learning!

Social Justice 12 Fundraiser

Pub Night at the Raven
February 11



Get your tickets [here](#) today!

NVSD Chess Championship

The NVSD Chess Championship returns on Friday, February 17, and will be hosted at the Education Services Centre (2121 Lonsdale Avenue).

The tournament is open to all NVSD students, and all skill levels are welcome. While there is no fee to register, pre-registration is required as there is a maximum number of participants in each division. For more information and to register your child, please visit the event's [Information and Registration](#) web page.



Academies Information

Secondary Enhanced Programs & Academies Night – January 26

Families with students in Grades 7 to 11 are invited to learn more about the various [enhanced programs and academies](#) offered at secondary schools throughout the school district. The event will take place on Thursday, January 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Sutherland Secondary School (1860 Sutherland Avenue). [Sign up to attend here](#).

Academies – Applications accepted starting January 27

Our highly specialized academies are designed to enhance the overall student experience by providing learning environments that concentrate on a focal skill set. Students in Grades 8 to 12 work towards graduation while accelerating their knowledge and skill development in an area of interest that can form a foundation for successful post-graduation pursuits.

The following academies will be offered during the 2023/2024 school year:

AFK Studio Art | Basketball | Business of Gaming and Entrepreneurship | Dance | Digital Media | Digital Media Lite | Field Hockey | Hockey Skills | Robotics | Rowing | Soccer | Volleyball

To note:

- Final academy offerings are subject to sufficient enrolment.
- The application period for academies begins on Friday, January 27 and ends on Monday, February 27.

For more information about our Academies program offerings, please visit our [Academies](#) web page and plan on attending the Secondary Enhanced Programs & Academies Night on January 26.

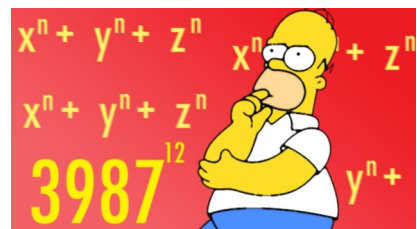
University of Waterloo Math Contest (Pascal, Cayley, Fermat)

Time is approaching for the 2023 University of Waterloo Math Contest. The tests will be held in the library during tutorial time on Wednesday Feb. 22, 2023 starting at 8:30 am for grades 9, 10 and 11. Students must register in advance if they wish to write the contest.

There is a \$6.50 contest fee for any student wishing to participate in the Pascal (Grade9), Cayley (Grade 10) or Fermat (Grade 11) contest. Students must register prior to the entry deadline of Tuesday, January 31, 2023. No late registrations will be accepted. Please see Mr. Macphail if you would like more details.

Please pay the fee in your [SchoolCashOnline](#) account if you wish to register.

The Grade 12 Euclid test will be held in the library during tutorial time on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 starting at 8:30 am. There is a \$20.00 fee that can be paid through your [SchoolCashOnline](#) account. Students must register in advance if they wish to write the contest. Deadline for entry is Wednesday, February 15, 2023. No late registrations will be accepted. Please see Mr. Macphail if you would like more details.



PROGRAMMING TIMELINE
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2023

Jan 24	Grade 8 & 9 Student Course Programming Meeting 8:30 am - Assembly
Jan 25	Gr 7 Parent Course Programming Meeting 7:00 pm - Seycove Cafeteria
Jan 26	Grade 10 & 11 Student Course Programming Meeting 8:30 am - Assembly
Feb 1	Grade 7 Student Course Programming classroom visits to elementary schools Grade 8 - 11 Parent Course Programming Evening - Cafeteria Current Grade 8 & 9: 6:00 pm Current Grade 10 & 11: 7:30 pm
Feb 2	PLP Information Night for New Registrations Counsellors visit classrooms to answer Programming questions

Click [here](#) for course programming information. Parents of incoming grade 8's please click [here](#) for information on the January 25th programming meeting.



International Holocaust Remembrance Day

The United Nations General Assembly designated **January 27**, the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

On the annual day of commemoration, the UN urges every member state to honour the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust and millions of other victims of Nazism and to develop educational programs to help prevent future genocides. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Performance Learning Program

Work hard. Take Risks. Learn how to learn.

PLP Registration Information Meeting (for new applicants only)

Performance Learning Program (PLP) is an enhanced secondary program for students entering grades 8-12. Students interested in PLP must request registration by completing the registration project and interview process. Please click [here](#) for more information.

DMA Info Night

Argyle Secondary will be hosting a DMA Information Night at the Argyle Library on Wednesday, February 1st at 7:00pm.

This event will be presented by DMA teachers, Mr. Murray Bulger and Mr. Chris Miller, who will discuss details about the DMA Full program (Grades 11 & 12) and the DMA Lite program (Grades 9 & 10).

There will be an opportunity for Q&A as well as information about application requirements. Please visit the DMA website for more info: <https://dmacademy.ca> and see this month's NVSD Events and Registration update: [NVSD Events and Registration – January 2023](#)

Careers Programs - Upcoming Events

- January & February (various dates) – **Firefighter Recruit Training**
NVSD has partnered with North Shore Tri-Municipal Fire Recruitment offering spots for grade 11 and 12 students interested in firefighting careers to train alongside the new recruit class. **Limited spots available.** Please e-mail jknapp@sd44.ca for more information or have your student visit Mrs. Knapp in the Work Experience Facilitator office.
- February 9 – **RCMP Officer for the Day**
Students in grade 10-12 interested in a career in **law enforcement, forensics or criminology** will have the chance to participate in a full-day interactive experience. The day will involve students getting the chance to investigate a crime from start to finish along with presentations from various police units. Please contact Janice Knapp, Work Experience Facilitator, to get more information: jknapp@sd44.ca
- February 15 – **Trades Info Night**
Students and parents are invited to this evening where various trades and trade schools will be presenting and providing information on how to get started in a career in trades. The event will be at the NVSD School Board Office -5th Floor, 2121 Lonsdale Avenue, 6:30pm – 8:00pm. No sign up required. For more information, e-mail: jknapp@sd44.ca

Celebrating Learning

Math 10

Parents and students sometimes wonder if the math we do at school is practical. Dr. Welch's current unit is very much so!

Dr. Welch's Math 10 class is studying Personal Finances including understanding a pay stub and tracking expenses. One assignment involved summarizing monthly expenses for a young adult and giving them advice on how to cut expenses. Dr. Welch was very impressed with the thoughtful answers the students gave. They thought that making your own coffee, getting a bus pass and packing a lunch could significantly help lower expenses. They also suggested switching to a healthier beverage and walking or biking to work!

	Lunch	5.40
	Bus	90.85
27	Groceries	25.80
	Gift for friend	87.50
	Clothing	40.00
28	Donation	389.55
	Week 4 Total	2816.00

Should add to this

Monthly Total 2816.00

Chris spends a lot on Transportation. I think he should buy a monthly pass, or a bike, or walk.

Chris should make his own lunches

Information · Updates · Reminders

Save the Date April 29

After a 3 year hiatus, Seycove is pleased to announce that we will once again be hosting the **Seycove Family of Schools Auction**. Funds raised are distributed to benefit ALL students at Cove Cliff Elementary, Dorothy Lynas Elementary, Sherwood Park Elementary, and Seycove Secondary. Save the date! More information to come!



Student & Family Affordability Fund



To support students and their families who are feeling challenged with the rising costs of living, the B.C. Ministry of Education and Child Care has provided the North Vancouver School District with one-time targeted, special grant funding through the [Student and Family Affordability Fund](#). The aim is to make life more affordable for families who are temporarily facing financial challenges and need temporary assistance with the current costs of school supplies, education-related fees, and dealing with food insecurity that impact children's learning

Funding support is meant to offset increased cost of living expenses and will be allocated toward school-related expenses incurred during the 2022-2023 school year.

Safety First

Parking and Road Safety at Seycove

At the start and end of the school day the Seycove driveway and roads bordering our school are busy. Students are encouraged to walk, bike, or roll to school. If you are dropping off or picking up your child, **please only do so in the designated drop off area in front of the cafeteria on the side of the school**. Please do not stop elsewhere in the driveway.

Please do **NOT** drop your students at the crosswalk and do **NOT** remove the cones to drive through the front parking lot. The cones are there for student safety. U-turns in the driveway are strictly prohibited. Please proceed to the drop off zone in front of the cafeteria.

License plates may be recorded in the future if these situations continue to occur.