

SEYCOVE at sáyəmətən 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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Upcoming Important Dates



June 2.....	School Based Professional Day (students not in attendance)
June 6.....	Band Concert at Capilano University
June 9.....	Social Justice Fair
June 9.....	Choir Concert
June 13.....	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
June 15.....	PLP Exhibition
June 16.....	National Indigenous Peoples Day Assembly
June 18.....	Fathers Day
June 20.....	Grad Ceremony Rehearsal 8:00 am
June 21.....	National Indigenous Peoples Day
June 21.....	Summer Solstice
June 22.....	Seycove Graduation Ceremony
June 23.....	Last Day of Classes
June 23.....	Year End BBQ at Lunch—hosted by Student Council
June 26.....	Review & Completion
June 27.....	Review & Completion
June 27.....	Canadian Multiculturalism Day
June 27.....	Graduation Banquet, Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier
June 28.....	Final Report Cards Published
June 28—July 2	Eid-al-Adha
June 29.....	Yearbook Distribution Day
June 30.....	Administrative Day (students not in attendance)

National Indigenous History Month

June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada, a time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

Click [here](#) to learn more about National Indigenous History Month and how you can participate.

PRIDE MONTH:

June is Pride Month and commemorates the Stonewall Riots that occurred in June 1969. The catalyst for early Pride celebrations was the need for equal rights to be extended to all 2SLGBTQ+ people. This call for a world without discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression is the reason we continue to celebrate Pride today.

At the North Vancouver School District, we believe schools should be inclusive places where all feel safe, accepted, supported, respected and welcome. We are committed each and every day to ensure students and staff see themselves reflected in their school community and feel empowered to be the best version of themselves.



"Pride: The Celebration and the Struggle" – Robin Stevenson

Are you interested in learning more about Pride?

This book explores "Pride" beyond the parade, examining where it started and how many different ways it's celebrated around the globe. Pride is Canadian author Robin Stevenson's contribution to an often-neglected discussion, especially among young people, but her book makes the subject accessible and relevant.

Choir Concert

June 9th, 7:00 pm

Seycove Choirs End-of-Year Concert
Mount Seymour United Church
Tickets available at the door



Graduation 2023

Graduation Ceremony Rehearsal

June 20
8:00 am

The rehearsal for the Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony will take place in the gym. Attendance is compulsory for all participants! Students will learn and practice the organization protocols for the ceremony.

Graduation Ceremony

June 22
7:00 pm

Grads must arrive wearing their gowns one hour before the ceremony begins

Graduation Banquet, Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier

June 27
5:30 pm—doors open
6:30 pm—dinner served



SEYCOVE
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LET'S CELEBRATE
CLASS OF 2023

GRADUATION EVENTS

National Indigenous Peoples Day



June 21, is **National Indigenous Peoples Day**. For generations, many Indigenous peoples and communities have celebrated their culture and heritage on or near this day due to the significance of the summer solstice as the longest day of the year. Learning about Indigenous Peoples, places and experiences is a step forward each Canadian can take on the path to reconciliation.

[Click here](#) to learn more.



Celebrating Learning

Grade 10 KAIROS Blanket Exercise



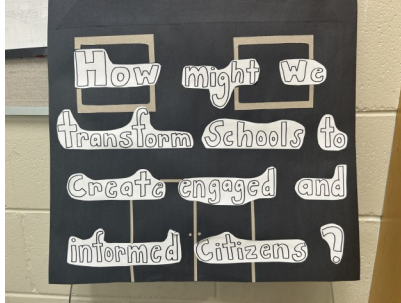
KAIROS Canada is an ecumenical movement for ecological justice and human rights around the globe. The KAIROS Blanket Exercise is an experiential learning tool to narrate the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in a Canadian Context.

All grade 10s participated in the Blanket Exercise on May 25. [Click here](#) for more information.



PLP 11 - Ms. Maxwell

The PLP 11 cohort has begun their final project of the year investigating how to make education systems more democratic! Their driving question is: *how might we transform schools to create more engaged and informed citizens?*



To get our investigation started we invited the Chair of the School Board of North Vancouver, Kulvir Mann, to ask her some questions about the organization and purpose of schools. For the exhibition, learners may design structures, make pitches or create digital resources to examine the school system that they have all been a part of while answering the driving question. While examining the present, they will also study the history of civics and rights in Canada.

We hope to see everyone on the evening of June 15th at the PLP Spring Exhibition!

North Vancouver School District Superintendent's Luncheon



L-R: Ruby Willems, Isabel DeRoy, Caren Hall, Abbey Milcak, Raymond Lu, Talya Rosenfeld, Fernando Calderon, Anders Bergman, Benjamin Dinh, Haruka Mitsueda, Noah Louie, Holly Robinson, Sarah Best, Ashley Liu. Missing: Alexandria Veitch

Each year the NVSD organizes the Superintendent's Luncheon to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of the most outstanding graduating students from each of our secondary schools. These students have been selected based on their being exceptional in two or more of the following categories: Academics, Citizenship, Service, Athletics or Arts, and Leadership.



SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 AWARENESS FAIR – JUNE 9th

Every year Social Justice 12 holds an exhibition at lunch to highlight all their amazing Action Plan final projects. This year's event is Friday, June 9th 12:50-1:50pm. Students choose a social justice cause they feel passionate about and do an "action" to make a difference. Some students have arranged campaigns, fundraisers, and are collecting items to donate. Some are selling their own creative works where the profits will go to their charity of choice. It is a wonderful event and the community is encouraged to get involved. For more information, please contact: ayeo@sd44.ca. Here's a sneak peak of some of the action plans that you can support:



This image depicts a watercolour scene of Deep Cove painted by Social Justice student Asha Calaminus. Youth homelessness is not only a relevant concern, but a local issue too. You can support Asha's project by purchasing one of these 6"x6" art prints for a minimum donation of \$8.00. All proceeds from print sales will go to Covenant House Vancouver. If you would like to purchase a print, please contact Asha at: ashac@seycove.ca.

Manon Grosmesnil Cachard is focusing on women on the DTES and is putting together care packages to donate to a women's shelter. She is collecting: tampons, pads, deodorant, hygiene/hair/body products. If you have items you wish to donate, please contact: 056614s@sd44.ca.

James Cameron Garcia is focusing on lack of access to healthcare for vision impairments in third-world countries. He is collecting used eyeglasses May 1 to June 9. Please drop off eyeglasses in the Main Office and include your name. You will be entered for a raffle for a chance to win a prize. For more information, contact James at 269717s@sd44.ca.



Abbey Milcak is raising awareness about plastic pollution in our local oceans. Abbey is selling tote bags for a \$20 minimum donation. All funds will be donated to the ocean legacy foundation. Contact her at 056638s@sd44.ca ! Limited quantity is left, first come first serve.

Mackenzie Klassen has joined with the Vancouver Humane Society to help homeless or low-income people/families and their pets. Mackenzie hopes to raise \$15,000 and wants to donate new and gently used pet supplies. If you are interested in helping this cause, please check out Mackenzie's fundraising page <https://vancouverhumanesociety.kindful.com/because-they-matter-2023/because-mackenzie-thinks-they-matter->, or contact Mackenzie at 265325s@sd44.ca if you have any pet supplies you would like to donate.

Come to Frankie Simpson's booth to support Seva, a foundation that changes lives, paying for people's cataract removal surgeries. Buy raffle tickets for just \$3 to win lash serums and makeup or get some baked goods!

Have any extra bottles or cans? Kaia Rasmussen is running a bottle drive to raise money for "March for Our Lives" and "The Sandy Hook Promise", each of which is working towards ending gun violence. For more information, email her at: KaiaR@seycove.ca.

Avrie Hunter is raising awareness and raising money to help animals in need of rescuing, medical services and basic supplies. Donations are welcome such as used dog beds, leashes, harnesses, collars, blankets, old dog crates, sealed cat and dog food, etc. Avrie will also be selling handmade, long lasting bracelets to raise money, prices vary from \$10-\$20. For more information contact Avrie Hunter- 068995s@sd44.ca.



Jude Deville is selling "My Dog" tote bags. the proceeds are going to SkatePAL, a non-profit organization which helps with Palestinian youth relief, through the power and opportunity of skateboarding. There will also be a clothing swap on Thursday, June 15th 12:50-1:50pm. Please bring bags of gently used clothing items to portable 25 June 9-14th.

Seycove Music presents: Cabaret in the Cove

GREEK

IS THE WORD

DINNER • DANCE • AUCTION



ATHLETICS



Seycove Tennis Season 2023 - by Coach Stephanie



From left to right: Vitoria Enciso, Devin Hawman, Gwenyth Rae, Hector Duarte, Ethan Rae, Pasha Gunchenko, Pablo Aguilar, Stephanie Fraser (coach), Lucas Barrondo. Not pictured are James Streeter, Jase Sexsmith, Kai Smilgis and Kira Belen.

The Seycove Tennis team wrapped up a great season with a sunny exhibition match against Argyle Secondary on Wednesday May 18th.

The match marked the end of a season that started back in rainy January. We were fortunate enough to get indoor court time at the North Shore Winter Club weekly on Sunday evenings. We had a great turnout of seasoned and new players. Coaches Ryan and Stephanie worked on technical skills and match play to get ready for the competitive season that started soon after March break.

Returning from March break, we practiced outdoors at the newly resurfaced (and beautiful) Myrtle courts and played a total of 9 matches against various North Shore Schools. We advanced to Zones where we had an impressive win against Vancouver's Prince of Wales Secondary that qualified the team for Provincials!

Highlights of the season were watching Pasha earn an incredible singles comeback win against Sentinel, Pablo's baseline play that got better every match, Devin and Vitoria gelling as a doubles team, Gwenyth battling it out on the singles court against some heavy hitters, Lucas and Ethan's crafty net play and Hector's big serve.

Congratulations to everyone on the team who came out to both build skills and to compete. Tennis is an amazing lifelong sport that allows you to have fun on and off the court – get out and play this summer!

Juvenile Boys Volleyball - by Coach Lindsay

I was so impressed with the players on the Juvenile Boys Volleyball Team. Leo, Lucas, Tom, Jupiter, Parker, Dylan, Ethan, Pasha, Bobby, Kai and our last minute addition to fill the tournament roster, Logan. Many of the players started playing volleyball only two months ago. They were all very coachable, supportive and respectful of each other and keen to give effort to practice, develop and play. The results from the North Shore Tournament at LGCA reflected their incredible progress - they came a close second and beat a very tough Sutherland team to make the finals. What impressed me the most was how they conducted themselves, with class and focus, in long, hot and sometimes contentious situations (in the finals the opposition, LGCA, the coach and a player got a double red carded for their misconducts). Our team made me proud to coach them and be part of the Seycove community.



Info • Updates • Reminders

Outstanding Fees

Please ensure you log into [SchoolCashOnline](#) to ensure you have paid any outstanding fees. ***Students with outstanding fees will not be able to pick up their yearbooks or Grad Gowns in June until accounts have been reconciled.***



Seycove CHOIR and VOCAL JAZZ INTEREST FORM



Are your friends and loved ones always telling you to be quiet? Give yourself an outlet to make some strange, beautiful noises with your friends in Seycove Choirs!

Auditions are now open for our 2023/24 elite Sr. Chamber Choir and Jazz in the Box! Just fill out our "Choir and Vocal Jazz interest form" and prepare to sing a song of your choice.

If our senior ensembles aren't for you, we've got regularly performing Choirs AND vocal jazz ensembles for **all** grade levels that don't require an audition here at Seycove. So if you aren't already involved, there is a vocal group waiting for you!

For more information about Seycove Choirs, scan the interest form below or just track down Mr. Najjar!

student council

fro-yo is back.

Fro-Yo Fridays!
Order online @
**SchoolCash
Online**

may 12. may 19. may 26. june 9. june 16

Be sure to order ahead!
[SchoolCashOnline.com](#)

ONE VISION MISSION

MAY 1 - JUNE 9

EVERY CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE EYEGLASSES?

OR KNOW SOMEONE THAT DOES?

donate now for a chance to win a prize

Drop off your eyeglasses at the Main Office during May 1st - June 7th.
Raffle prizes given out on June 9th at the Social Justice Fair.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
James Cameron Garcia on MS Teams



STEP 1:

- CREATE AN ART PIECE THAT CONVEYS A MESSAGE OF PLASTIC POLLUTION IN OUR OCEANS AND WATERWAYS
- PROVIDE A SHORT DESCRIPTION ABOUT YOUR ART AND HOW IT RELATES TO PLASTIC POLLUTION

STEP 2:

- SUBMIT A HIGH QUALITY IMAGE OF YOUR ART AND THE DESCRIPTION TO THE EMAIL ABOVE
- KEEP THE ORIGINAL ARTWORK. WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED FOLLOWING CONTEST DEADLINE

CLEAN UP OUR OCEANS THROUGH ART CONTEST - submit work by July 7

Seycove Behaviour Support Worker, Ben Crawford, is currently undertaking an ocean sustainability volunteer project with Oceanwise. His aim is to educate and inspire change in the way we use single use plastics with the goal to reduce our impact on our oceans and water systems. He truly believes that large scale change starts at a local level and our younger generation are key to make these important steps.

Ben has created a project which involves tasking students to create an art piece that relates to plastic pollution through an art competition that he would love to run throughout the district. Ben's aim is to then get some of these art pieces into local galleries around Vancouver to help spread this important message and to showcase youth's perspective on the topic.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Lost and Found



All lost and found items are on display in the main hallway. Any remaining items will be donated on the last day of school.





NORTH SHORE

NEW & USED

SPORTS EQUIPMENT SALE

PRESENTED BY KIDSPORT NORTH SHORE



Do you have any new or lightly used sports equipment sitting around?
Please DONATE anytime between May 27 - June 4, 2023! Find details
on donation collection locations and acceptable equipment to
donate on our website.

EQUIPMENT SALE DETAILS

CARSON GRAHAM SECONDARY SCHOOL

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

For more information, visit our website:
www.kidsportnorthshore.ca

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Careers Corner

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

RBC GranFondo - Looking for Volunteers September 7 - 10

As North America's largest Gran Fondo, our team relies on a network of kind and enthusiastic volunteers to ensure that our biggest event of the summer goes off without a hitch. **Sign up [HERE](#)**

Vancouver Maritime Museum

Join the Vancouver Maritime Museum's Summer Camp Youth Team. The VMM is seeking motivated, enthusiastic, and energetic volunteers to assist summer day camps. They will help promote maritime-themed programs and a love of the Pacific and Arctic Oceans through a fun blend of storytelling, games, crafts and walking on an actual boat –the St Roch. **Sign up [HERE](#).**

EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION OPPORTUNITIES

YWCA Off the Leash - Next Start Date: July 17, 2023

YWCA Off the Leash is a free program that prepares job seekers 16-29 for **entry-level careers in the pet and animal care industry**. <https://ywcavan.org/off-the-leash>

YWCA Accelerate – Next start date: July 4, 2023

YWCA Accelerate is a free program that supports youth ages 16 - 30 to find meaningful **work in administration and customer service**. Participants are paid while attending training. [YWCA Accelerate](#) | [YWCA Metro Vancouver \(ywcavan.org\)](#)

YWCA Gear Up - Next start date: June 26, 2023.

YWCA Gear Up is a free 13-week program that equips youth ages 15 - 30 with the skills, certification and employer connections necessary to work as a bike mechanic. [Gear Up](#) | [YWCA Metro Vancouver \(ywcavan.org\)](#)

For the latest Career, Educational, Paid and Volunteer Opportunities, visit the [Work Experience site](#) or contact Janice Knapp at workexperience@seycove.ca

SEYCOVE SNAPSHOTS



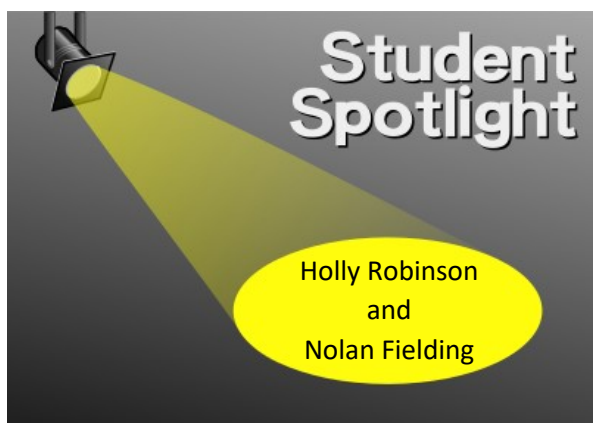
Foods 11/12 students enjoying freshly baked Focaccia and a game of cards.



Seycove Math Club



This year was the first year for the **Seycove Math Club**. These mathletes spend their time on problem solving and discussing challenging math problems. See Mr Macphail if you are keen to join next year.



Right: Nolan Fielding



Holly Robinson

Having fought their way through Provincial and Regional qualification rounds, on the weekend of May 20, four Seycove athletes (Ruby Robinson Grade 9, Nolan Fielding Grade 10, Jakub Hoffman Grade 11 and Holly Robinson Grade 12) proudly represented BC at the Canadian Youth Climbing championship. Holly and Nolan made it through to finals and placed 5th and 3rd in Canada in their respective categories with Nolan also qualifying to represent Team Canada at the Youth World Climbing championship in South Korea later this summer.

A decorative graphic featuring several yellow stars of different sizes and colors (pink, red, orange) with black outlines, scattered around the word "Congratulations!".
Congratulations!