



École Secondaire Windsor Secondary School

FAMILY NEWSLETTER- JANUARY 2024

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:

JANUARY 1

[New Year's Day](#)
End of [Kwanzaa](#)

JANUARY 4

[National Ribbon Skirt Day](#)

JANUARY 8

Classes Resume

JANUARY 15

[Black Excellence Day](#)

JANUARY 16

8:30am- Grade 11 Students Programming Assembly
(Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 17

8:30am- Grade 10 Students Programming Assembly
(Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 18

8:30am- Grade 9 Students Programming Assembly
(Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 19

8:30am- Grade 8 Students Programming Assembly
(Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 24

Ministry Assessments- Literacy 10
(schedule to follow)

Staff Collaboration Day - Late start for students
(see page 2)

7:00pm- Gr. 8-11 Parent Course Programming
Presentation (Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 25

Ministry Assessments- Literacy 10
(students with accommodations)

JANUARY 26

Last Day of Semester 1
Gr. 8 Rotation #4 (S1R4) ends

JANUARY 27

[International Holocaust Remembrance Day](#)

JANUARY 29

Review & Completion (no classes)

JANUARY 30

Review & Completion (no classes)
7:00pm- Gr. 7 Parent Course Programming
Information Evening (Multipurpose room)

JANUARY 31

Semester Turnaround (no students)

ADJUSTED BELL SCHEDULE

JANUARY 24

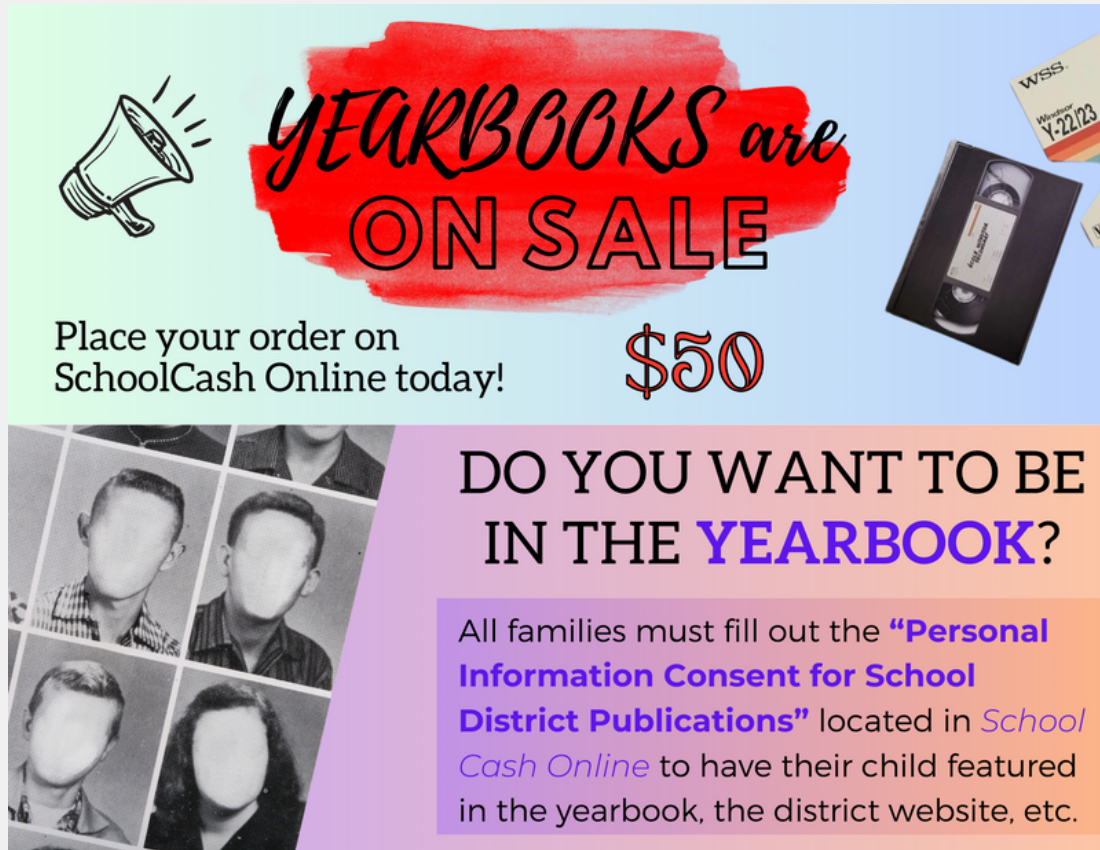
9:50AM - STUDENT LATE START FOR STAFF COLLABORATION

COLLABORATION DAY BELL SCHEDULE

(Sept 27, Oct 25, Jan 24, Feb 28, Apr 24)

8:31 - 9:50	Collaboration Time
9:50 - 10:50	1
10:50 - 10:55	Transition
10:55 - 11:55	2
11:55 - 12:00	Transition
12:00 - 1:00	3
1:00 - 2:00	Lunch
2:00 - 3:00	4

YEARBOOK



YEARBOOKS are ON SALE

Place your order on SchoolCash Online today! **\$50**

DO YOU WANT TO BE IN THE YEARBOOK?

All families must fill out the **“Personal Information Consent for School District Publications”** located in *School Cash Online* to have their child featured in the yearbook, the district website, etc.

WINDSOR INTERACT CLUB

A big thank you to all those who purchased Krispy Kreme doughnuts, bracelets, or candy grams from Interact at the Holiday Market! We finished the year by delivering candy grams on the final day of school before the break!



We hope everyone enjoyed a restful winter break. A big thank you to all those who signed up to perform at this year's Entertainment Night on February 22nd. We will spend much of January planning for this exciting event which will feature all the talent within the school as well as a silent auction.

Entertainment Night has long been our biggest fundraiser of the year and we are very excited about this year's show!

CLUB SEWING FOR A CAUSE

After donating over 50 dog bandannas to the SPCA, Sewing for a Cause quickly created our annual holiday project: ornaments, bags, and bookmarks!

We sewed dozens of festive reusable holiday bags, ornaments, and bookmarks which were sold at Windsor Music's annual Holiday jazz night, the two-day Holiday Market at the school, and Seymour Dance's Winter Craft Market!



Thank you to everyone who supported us by purchasing items at any of these sales. The money we raised will now go towards purchasing fabric for our current project which is sewing pillowcases and heating pads for the teenagers at Lionsgate Hospital.

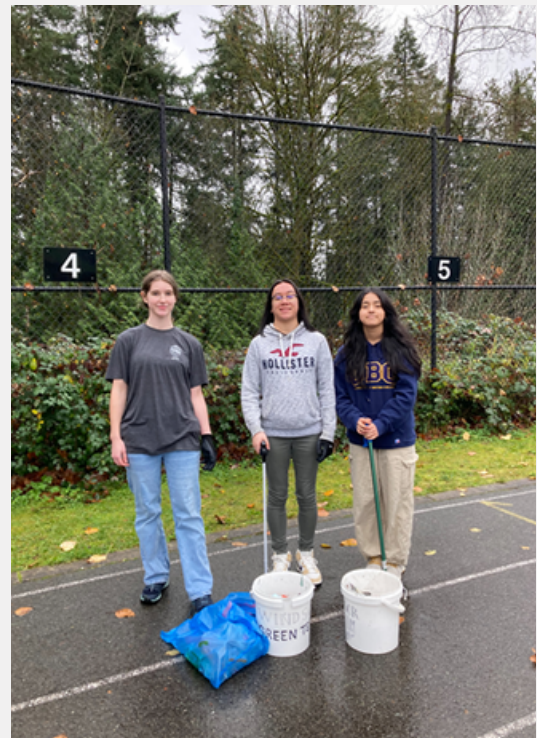
A reminder that anyone is welcome to join this club and no sewing experience is required. We meet every Wednesday at lunch in the textiles room.

GREEN TEAM

The Green Team would like to thank all those who came out and supported us at the holiday market in December by purchasing our hot chocolate packs!

We will start the year strong with bi-weekly cleanups of the school grounds where participants will earn prizes.

Our annual Litterati challenge is also in the works so stay tuned for more info in the coming months.



A reminder that students in all grades are welcome to join the Green Team anytime! We meet every second Thursday in room 414 for cleanups and room 503 for other activities. Any student wishing to join our MS Teams group can message Ava Cortiula on Teams. All our info is also available on our Instagram account @windsor_green_team. We hope everyone had a fantastic winter break!

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, 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!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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

Windsor has limited parking for students. Students must park in the lot off of Lytton Street. Please note that in order to ensure all staff can park on school property, the parking lot off of Broadview Dr. is for staff only this year. Students may not park off of Broadview Drive.

In order to park at Windsor students must:

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

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



STUDENT DROP-OFF

A reminder to all parents that there is no student drop off in the front parking lot unless your student has mobility difficulties. Please access the large drop off area at the back of the school or the cul-de-sac at the end of Lytton St.

SCHOOL FEES

Semester 1 and Year-long 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.

If you need assistance in paying these fees, please contact the Windsor Administration.

WINDSOR GARDEN CLUB

The Windsor Garden Club was involved in the Windsor Christmas Market and raised over \$116.00 selling their plants. The club decided to put together a hamper for an ex Windsor student who has two children and is in need of some help this Christmas. The hamper was delivered and the recipient was so very thankful for their thoughtfulness.

The Garden Club will resume their garden duties making our outdoor spaces beautiful after the new year. They are always grateful to the help of the PAC and Student Council who help support their endeavors.

