



École Secondaire Windsor Secondary School

FAMILY NEWSLETTER- OCTOBER 2023

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:

OCTOBER 2

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Statutory Holiday (school closed)

OCTOBER 4

8:30am- CLC 12 meeting in the multipurpose room

OCTOBER 6

Grade 8 Rotation #1 ends (S1R1)

OCTOBER 9

Thanksgiving Day (school closed)

OCTOBER 10

Grade 8 Rotation #2 starts (S1R2)

OCTOBER 11

7:00pm- Parent-Teacher Interviews
sign-up #1 opens (details to follow)

OCTOBER 16

9:15am-11:30am- Grade 9 Immunization Clinic

OCTOBER 17

7:00pm-8:15pm- Grade 11/12 Post Secondary
Pathways Windsor Parent Info Night (see page 3)

OCTOBER 18

9:00am-11:00am- Photo retakes in the
multipurpose room

3:00pm- Parent-Teacher Interviews
sign-up #1 closes

7:00pm- Parent-Teacher Interviews
sign-up #2 opens

OCTOBER 20

Province-Wide Professional Day (no classes)

OCTOBER 22

11:59pm- Parent-Teacher Interviews
sign-up #2 closes

OCTOBER 25

9:50am- Staff Collaboration Day - Late start
for students (see page 2)

7:00pm- Post Secondary BC @ Seycove
Secondary (see page 3)

OCTOBER 26

1:00pm- Early dismissal

2:00pm-4:00pm & 6:00pm-8:00pm
Parent-Teacher Interviews

OCTOBER 27

1:00pm- Early dismissal

OCTOBER 31

12:50pm- Halloween Costume Contest in
the multipurpose room

ADJUSTED BELL SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 25

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

POST SECONDARY INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

1. Grade 11/12 Post Secondary Pathways Windsor Parent Info Night

Tues Oct 17th at 7 pm in our multipurpose room.

Find out about various Post Secondary options, admissions updates from the universities, Graduation, Scholarships and Career Life Connections 12. Presented by Ms Maquignaz, Mr Martin and Ms Oliver. Recommended for grade 11 and grade 12 parents.

2. Canadian Universities Event 2023 (CUE) for students and parents

a) Tues Oct 3rd, 6:30 – 9 pm , Delta Burnaby Hotel

b) Thurs Oct 5th, 6:30 – 9 pm, Sheraton Guildford Hotel, Surrey

Register for both at [Meet University Reps - Canadian Universities Event \(cuebc.org\)](https://cuebc.org)

3. Post Secondary BC

Representatives from 30 universities/institutes in BC.

Wed October 25th 7 pm @ Seycove Secondary. 2 Info sessions plus mini fair.

TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY

Wednesday, November 1st 2023

This year, Wednesday November 1st, is designated as our district **Take Our Kids to Work Day** for grade 9's.

We encourage all parents/guardians to provide a meaningful and safe work placement for their child and/or encourage students to explore possible networks who can support a job shadow experience. To be clear, **this is NOT** a Windsor school field trip so no staff will be involved in organizing, supervising, nor attending any of the workplaces. Parents/guardians are responsible for all aspects of their child's work placement/shadow including transportation and safety for this initiative.

The day is most successful when students and their parents/guardians find an appropriate work site or person to shadow either through relatives or through family friends. The timing and details of the day are completely up to the parent and the work site/shadowed employee.

The school's role is to be flexible with the day and plan for the students who are unavailable to find a placement or do not wish to take part. If your student does not have a placement, or have arranged for a different day, they are required to be at school. **This should NOT be seen simply as a day off school.**

The Careers Department will be visiting all Grade 9 classes Monday, Oct. 23rd where information and forms will be given to the students. The consent form will need to be returned to the main office, or given to their Period 3 teacher, by Friday Oct 27th, so that the school can plan for the day and mark the correct attendance. **If you lose this form,** please visit the school website for a copy to print off.

If you have any questions about Take Our Kids to Work day, please start with Sian Oliver-Career Coordinator, soliver@sd44.ca

WINDSOR INTERACT CLUB

Interact had a great start to the year with a very successful Club's Day!

Thank you to all our new and returning members for participating in Interact. New members are welcome to join anytime. We meet every Friday at lunch in the art room.

The club has just voted for the local and global charities we will be supporting this year. The results of this vote will be released soon.

Stay tuned for our first event of the year which will be a food drive! Dates and details to come.

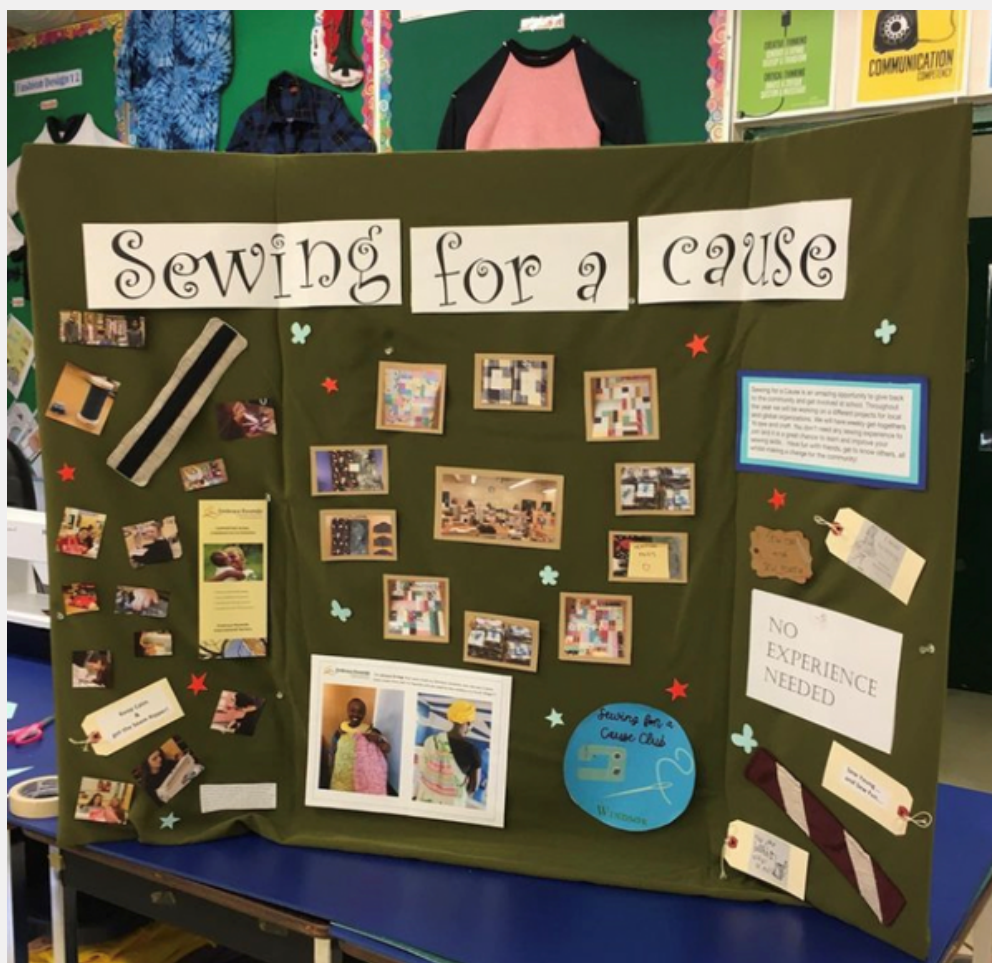


CLUB SEWING FOR A CAUSE

Thank you to those who signed up for Sewing for a Cause at Club's Day!

We meet every Wednesday at lunch in the textiles room. No sewing experience is required, and we will start our first couple of meetings with sewing tutorials.

We cannot wait to begin another year of fun projects for charity!



THANK YOU, WINDSOR PAC

A huge thank you to the Windsor PAC for providing t-shirts for the Windsor Family of Schools basketball camps that took place last spring.

Windsor coaches (Casey Grieves, Brian Hobbs, Alec Lewis, Rami Nader and Tim Pershick), along with tremendous support from players on the grade 9 basketball team, hosted 75 grade 4-7 students for 5 weeks of fun, skill development and community building.



WINDSOR PAC

Windsor PAC Parent Donations

WPAC parent donations and Gaming funds are thoughtfully spent in areas of the school for items that are otherwise unavailable through the school block budget. During the last school year, WPAC worked with teachers, students and the school administration to provide support where we could.

In lieu of asking parents or students to sell door-to-door, collect money and deliver goods, please help the Windsor PAC achieve our goals of supporting students and teachers by making a donation.

- \$25** I do not want to bake so here is the money I would have spent on those cupcakes.
- \$50** I do not want to walk, swim, bike or run in any event that has the word “thon” in it. Here is the money I would have spent on the ‘free’ T-shirt.
- \$75** I do not want to attend any fancy balls so here is the money I would have spent on new clothes.
- \$100** I am making this donation to express my appreciation for having nothing to buy, sell or do beyond making this donation.

>> THREE OPTIONS TO DONATE <<

Option 1 - For a speedier donation and a tax receipt, go to School Cash Online (<https://sd44.schoolcashonline.com/>), login and click “MAKE A DONATION”. You will then choose “Windsor” as your school.

Option 2 - Send an EFT to windsorpactreasurer@gmail.com. You will not receive a tax receipt.

Option 3 - Send a cheque (payable to WINDSOR PAC) along with [THIS FORM](#) and return it to the office. You will not receive a tax receipt.

WINDSOR PAC

Windsor PAC Meetings

The Windsor Parent Advisory Council is made up of all the families at our school. Please consider joining us at the meetings held in the library on the first Monday of the month. Below is the schedule of the meetings for the 2023/24 school year:

- September 25, 7:30 pm
- November 6, 7:30 pm
- December 4, 7:30 pm
- February 5, 7:30 pm
- April 2, 7:30 pm (Tues)
- May 6, 7:30 pm
- June 3, 7:30 pm



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:

- First Name
- 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.
- Your name & relationship with the student. (Only messages from parents and legal guardians are accepted)

KEEP US IN THE LOOP!

Please remember to update your contact information with the school when changes occur.

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.

Thank you for helping us to keep up to date!

PARKING AT WINDSOR

Windsor has limited parking for students. Students must park in the lot off of Lytton Street. There are a few spots for students in the far corner of the front parking lot, by the school bus. Students may not park in any other area of the staff lot 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



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.