



WELLINGTON SECONDARY SCHOOL

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JANUARY 2018



PRINCIPAL

Mr. Chad Lintott

VICE PRINCIPALS

Mr. Shawn Shahi

Mrs. Nicol Suhr

DATES TO NOTE

January 8

School Reopens from Winter Break
PAC 7pm

January 15-25

Grad Photos

January 18

Child and Youth Mental Health Parent
Night—6:15 pm

January 25

English 12 Exam—8:30 am

January 26

Communications 12 Exam - 8:30 am
Last day Term 2

January 29

Second Semester starts

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Wellington Community,

We bid farewell and good luck to Mr. Christianson as he has moved on to principal of Ladysmith Secondary. We warmly welcome Mr. Shahi as he takes over from Mr. Christianson. He comes to us from ADSS in Port Alberni.

The end of January marks the halfway point of the school year and the start of our second semester. I would like to congratulate our (early) January grads and wish the best of luck to them, as well as those who are leaving Wellington to attend the Career Technical Centre for second semester.

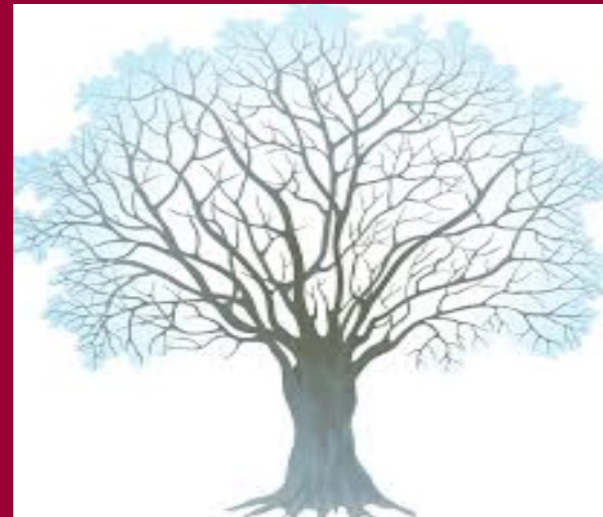
A reminder to parents and families that Wellington is leading a district pilot to transition to the MyEducationBC parent and student portal. This will allow you to access more information regarding your child's attendance and achievement, and create more opportunities for timely and effective communication. You will be invited to a parent information and training session at the end of January and beginning of February. We will offer a number of sessions, which you may choose from. That schedule will be sent to you in the next few days as we continue to plan and organize the content and material.

Course selection will also occur at the end of January and beginning of February. We will meet with each of our returning grades about the selection process, as well as credit/course requirements and options available to them. As soon as the course selection booklet is complete, with updated courses and information related to new BC curriculum, we will post it on our school website for you to read and assist your child in selecting the appropriate program(s) for next year.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's counsellor.

Sincerely,

Mr. Chad Lintott, Principal



What's Happening at Wellington...

LIGHTS OUT LUNCH



Wellington's Eco club is encouraging everyone to switch off the lights in the Orange Rooms, Breakout Rooms, Internet Cafe and the main entrance from now until the end of February. This is to conserve energy at locations with enough natural light that lights are not needed. This is part of Wellington's involvement in the Energy Cup, a friendly competition among School District 68 schools to reduce their carbon footprint. Help Wellington win the Energy Cup by giving atmospheric lunches a try.

SWEATER DAYS

Hey Wellington, as part of The Energy Cup involvement, we will be holding weekly "Sweater Days". Every Friday in February we will be turning down heating by 2 degrees. We encourage wearing sweaters, blankets, or other additional clothing to stay warm. Anyone wearing sweaters can come and get some **free** hot chocolate, or 50 cents for anyone else, as well and 25 cents for extra toppings.



MENTAL HEALTH TALKS FOR PARENTS WITH JERRY BOYCHUK.

The third Thursday of Every Month at Wellington Presentation Room

- Session 4: Substance Use Conversations with Adolescents
Presented by Discovery – Thursday, January 18th @6:15 pm
- ♦ In this session we will discuss:
 - Myths and facts
 - Opening conversations at home
 - Support in the community
- Session 5: Talking with your Child about Sexting and Pornography Presented by Kerri Isham - Thursday February 15th
@ 6:15pm



CAREER PATHWAYS (CTC)



Career Pathways (CTC) offers many unique district programs for gr. 10-12, including trades programs, apprenticeships, VIU courses, and work experience.

For more information:

(1) visit our website (www.ctc-careerpaths.ca) or our App

I. Android https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.app_ctcenter.layout

II. Apple: http://mobileappco.org/enterprise/app.php?app_id=632105

Apple Private App Store App Installation

1. Grab the Private App store URL from your email and open the link in Safari on an iOS device. Click Install Now.

2. For **iOS 9.2** and newer:

- Tap Settings > General > Device Management.
- Under the "Enterprise App" heading, you'll see a profile for the developer. (Apple changed "profile" to "device management" in 9.2)
- Click "Bizness Apps Inc." Then "Trust Bizness Apps Inc." (This is the software upon which your app has been built)

(2) get an info sheet (counseling office)

(3) book an appointment at your school with the CTC advisor (counseling office), or

(4) book an evening appointment at our office with the CTC advisor (Barsby, weekly, Thursdays, 5-7 pm, by appointment only, 250-753-6331 ext 407).

Career Pathways (CTC) - Important Dates

Jan. 26 -Application Deadline for 2018-19 seats in Youth TRAIN in Trades (formerly Dual Credit - Trades and Applied Skills/Ace-IT) at VIU

Feb 5 - Dual Credit Info Night - 6:30 pm, VIU, Bldg 356, Rm 109

Mar. 16 - Application Deadline for 2018-19 seats in Dual Credit Enrichment at VIU



Career Pathways (CTC) - Certification Training

CTC is helping youth get certification training by advertising upcoming locally offered programs. There is a subsidized fee for students that are actively registered in Work Experience or Youth Work in Trades courses. See our website for more details.

PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION SESSION FOR

NANAIMO-LADYSMITH SCHOOL FOUNDATION AWARDS



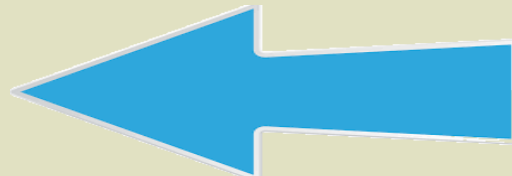
Applications will be accepted for the Nanaimo-Ladysmith Schools Foundation Awards beginning Monday January 15 @ noon. The deadline for the 2018 Application is Friday February 9 @ noon.

We are pleased to provide a Parent/Student Information Session for 2018 graduating students interested in applying for awards.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Meeting Room A

Nanaimo District Secondary School



For more information please contact Crystal Dennison crystal.dennison@sd68.bc.ca

BAND

The upcoming months are very busy for the band program! Senior students and Grade 10 students will be attending the Surrey Envisions Jazz Festival in February. The majority of the jazz band students will also be travelling to the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival in Moscow, Idaho from February 22 - 25. There will be a mandatory parent/student meeting on February 6 at 7pm in the Learning Commons- at this time the itinerary, contracts and medical forms will be discussed and filled out.

A special thank you to Erin Campbell and her committee for once again running a successful gift wrap service at North Nanaimo Town Centre!

On March 9, all Jazz band students will be involved in Jazz Fest at the Port Theatre. Tickets for this event are \$12 each and can be purchased from the band or the Port Theatre. Be sure to quote WELL if purchasing from the Port Theatre.



Upcoming Dates:

Surrey Jazz February 16 -18

Lionel Hampton Band Parent/Student meeting February 6 @ 7 PM – Learning Commons

JazzFest 2018 – March 9 – Port Theatre

Vancouver Island Concert Band Festival – Ladysmith Secondary – April 10 – all concert bands

Jazz Combo Night – St. Andrews Church – April 24

West Coast Jazz Festival – all Jazz

Groups – VIU – May 1, 2, 3

Senior Spring Concert – May 22

Junior Spring Concert – June 5



STUDY BUDDIES

Do you need any help with homework? Or just need quiet place to do your homework after school? Come to Study Buddies.

Help is available for

- All Math courses 8-12 Pre -Calculus, Science 8, 9 ,10
- Science 8, 9, 10
- All humanities courses (English, Social Studies etc)

Unsure if we can help you with your subject? Drop in and ask Study Buddies is on:

Mondays	2:10-4:00pm - downstairs C hall orange room
Tuesdays	3:00-4:00pm - library
Wednesdays	3:00-4:00pm - downstairs C hall orange room
Thursdays	3:00-4:00pm - library

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INTERNATIONAL

Now that our semester is winding down, we are saying good-bye to many of our International students who were here for the cultural and language experience of going to school in Canada. We are also wishing Kota Kurosawa ,good luck as he finishes his Grade 12 year early, graduating from Wellington. Kota has been an excellent student and we wish him nothing but the best as he travels back to his home country to continue his post-secondary education. The following students will be traveling back to their home countries and we have had a wonderful time with them here at Wellington: Bianca Barbesino, Maria Becker Pagani, Isabela Nakamoto, Bruna Cavalcanti, Bianca Dias Rocha, Luis Pablo Garcia, Yukiya Matsumoto, Chiara Rosati, Robert Staege, Alessandra Tommasini, Camila Tondella, Valeria Toraldo, Maria Vannini, Greta Zoni, Finn Meyer, Gabriel Garcia Fabrini and Paul Hartenfels. We will be having a goodbye get together before the end of the semester to wish them all luck and to say goodbye. We will be welcoming some new students to start on January 29th for their Canadian culture experience.



ATHLETICS



We are in full swing of basketball season. We have had a lot of tough games in our Welly gym. Just last weekend, the seniors hosted their annual Superball tournament. The senior girls came in 4th place and the senior boys beat Dover in the finals winning the tournament. The girls had 3 player of the game awards, which went out to: Cassidy Giesbrecht, Shaylie Jobaggy and Jill Jeffrey. The boys had Ryder Jenks winning the tournament MVP and Iskander Zhakysbekov winning the final game, player of the game award. It was a great weekend of basketball. Our Grade 8 and junior teams have been busy on the court as well competing in tournaments at Dover Bay, Victoria, and NDSS. It's been a busy month of basketball and on January 19/20 our Junior Girls and Grade 8 Girls are hosting a tournament together with the Grade 8 Boys hosting the following weekend.

SCHOLARSHIPS



All grade 12 students should sign up for the google classroom so they don't miss any scholarship or post secondary information.

Email kate.gustafson@sd68.bc.ca with any questions.

The Nanaimo Ladysmith Schools Foundation Scholarship booklet is now available. Please check the website <https://sas.nlsf.ca/App-Login.aspx>

STEPS TO APPLYING



1. Create a username and password
2. Carefully review the guidelines for applying and receiving an award in the NLSF Awards Selection Booklet prior to completing the General Application.
3. Carefully review the list of awards available in the NLSF Awards Selection Booklet and note any additional applications, letter/essays or references that may be required.
4. Complete your General Application Form online and print a hard copy to be submitted to your school contact person prior to the deadline. Submit your online application only once you are satisfied that it is complete. It cannot be accessed/edited once you hit SUBMIT.
5. If a separate application or other requirements are listed for an award, these must be printed, completed and submitted with the General Application Form to your school contact person prior to the deadline.

This year's application deadline is Friday, February 9, 2018 @ Noon

****FEBRUARY 9TH @ NOON IS THE DUE DATE FOR APPLICATIONS
NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED****



PARENT EDUCATION SERIES

Presented by Child and Youth Mental Health &
Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health

Please join us on the third Thursday of the month for our Parent Education Series! Workshops run from 5:30-6:30 pm, light refreshments will be provided. Workshops will be presented on the 2nd floor of 190 Wallace Street.

- ◆ Attachment Based Parenting : January 18, 2018
- ◆ Emotional Regulation: February 15, 2018
- ◆ The Teenage Brain: March 15, 2018
- ◆ Dealing with Challenging Behaviours: April 19, 2018
- ◆ Depression: May 17, 2018
- ◆ Trauma: June 21, 2018



Please RSVP for any or all parent sessions by calling Child and Youth Mental Health at 250-741-5701.