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Principals Message

Hello Wellington Community,

Here it is – the dreaded June newsletter. My annual reminder of all end-of-year activities and responsibilities! My parents used to tell me that as I got older, each year would seem shorter and pass by more quickly than the year before. I don't think I gave them enough credit (kids fail to do that with parents, sometimes...) It seems this year has gone by in an absolute blink of an eye! *I wonder if other things they told me were true also?*

As you find time to read our newsletter, Wellington teachers and staff are already well underway with preparations for year-end assessments, reporting, showcases of learning, awards ceremonies, celebrations of student success and, of course, Convocation for our Grade 12's. To say this is a busy time for students and staff would be, well, quite an understatement.

You may have heard me say this once before (or read it as I wrote it) that you are strongly encouraged to communicate with the school, particularly teachers, to ensure that your child is on track to meet their academic goals for the year. With only a couple of weeks left, time is short, but there is still ample opportunity to show evidence of learning. Please help us to encourage your child to do so – that final push might just need to be a team effort.

For those of you who take the time to read each newsletter, you have likely celebrated the many Wellington successes with us along the way. I am not sure we can ever thank all of those teachers, staff, student volunteers, parents and community members who have made that success possible. Over the last two weeks, we have filled our gym, our Learning Commons, multi-purpose room and presentations rooms with members of our community for concerts, our first annual Tech Week and to recognize student achievements. It is a great opportunity to share those achievements with those who have helped along the way. Thank you for attending and being a part of that development with our students. More importantly, the most sincere thank you to those who have helped coach, organize, volunteer, drive students, etc. Your help is invaluable!

If you have any questions heading into the last two weeks of school, please do not hesitate to call or email.

Thank you,
Chad Lintott,
Principal



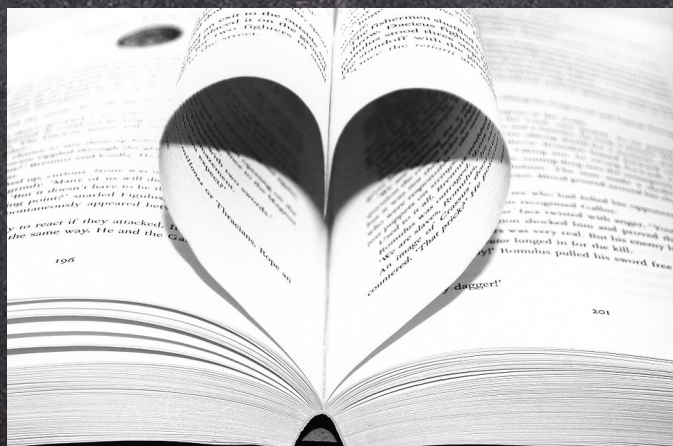
Come see the friendly **Island Connect Ed** staff in Room B114 if you are considering taking a course over the summer. Courses can be taken to upgrade a previously taken course or to get ahead by taking a new course. Only grades 10 to 12 courses are offered during the summer and some grade 10 courses may not be available this year due to courses still being developed over the summer because of recent curriculum changes. Parents can contact Ron Membery for more information.

Ron Membery

Science/Math Teacher

Island Connect Ed (formerly known as Learn@Home)

4355 Jingle Pot Road



JUNE

12th

District Honours Night 7pm

14th

Wellington Awards Night 6pm

18th

PAC Meeting 7pm

21st

CYMH Parent Night

22nd

Last Day of Classes

Dry Grad 7pm

25th

English 12 Provincial Exam 8:30am

26th

Grad Rehearsal

27th

Communications 12 Provincial
Exam 8:30am

28th

Grad Ceremony 10am

JULY

4th

Report Cards published to
MyEd Portal

BAND NEWS by Carmella Luvisotto

West Coast Jazz Festival Awards and Scholarships 2018

New West Jazz Clinic

One scholarship of \$200 to attend the Summer Jazz Workshop

Awarded to:

Daniel Mottahedeh – Wellington

Phil Dwyer Academy of Music and Culinary Arts

\$200 scholarships

Awarded to:

Devin Uslu - Wellington

Kaeden Ottenbriet – Wellington

Courtenay Youth Music Camp Summer Jazz

\$150 scholarship

Awarded to:

Bari Sax – Peter Kang – Wellington

Piano – Petra Dobek – Wellington

Tapestry Music

\$20 Gift Certificates

Awarded to:

Rex Haghighi – Wellington

Jacob Horwood – Wellington

Long and McQuade Music

\$25 Gift Certificate

Kareem Hassib – Wellington

Long & McQuade Awards

Most Outstanding Sr. Baritone Sax Player – Peter Kang – Wellington

Most Outstanding Sr. Trombone Player – Mico Valmonte – Wellington

Most Outstanding Sr. Piano Player – Harris Zheng – Mount Doug

Most Outstanding Jr. Trombone Player – Petra Dobek - Wellington

Most Outstanding Jr. Piano Player – Petra Dobek – Wellington

Most Outstanding Jr. Guitar Player – Cameron Boudrot – Wellington

The Wellington Secondary Grade 10/11/12 Jazz Quintet competed at the annual national competition in Toronto recently. Bass player Eli Bueckert was recognized with an honours award for his performance

Wellington Solo Awards

Carys Menard

Billy Whelen

Audra Moore

Angelina Boxrud

Ronin Laurie

Max Hollman

Carter Brimacombe

Philip Morosan

Katrina Rivers

Parris Mook-Sang-Forbes

Daniel Taylor

Cassi Grondin

Eli Bueckert

Nigel Lum

Nathan Spivey

Michaela Grondin

Tom Adler

Noah Horst

Yebin Yun

Alexis Barudin

Ethan Vichert

Kristina Power

Gabe Enns

Austin Elzinga

Mackenzie Justason

Jessie Scott Bradley

Isabella Cooper

Sebastian Cereno

Rowan Scholberg



Band News cont...

Trumpeter **Tom Adler** was previously chosen from hundreds of applications from across Canada to perform as 1 of the 18 member Conn Selmer National Honour Jazz Band. Adler also received a \$3000 Scholarship to Humber College in Toronto. **Eli Bueckert** was also awarded a \$2000 scholarship to Humber College in Toronto!

Congrats to Jazz Academy members Tom Adler, Eli Bueckert, Jacob Horwood, Peter Kang, and Daniel Mottahedeh who returned home from *MusicFest Canada* with a Gold Award!



VOLUNTEER



Scholarship Information for Current Grade 11 Students

Are you interested in applying for scholarships in grade 12? Scholarships are not just based on academic achievement. Volunteering in your community is very important. We encourage you to volunteer this summer and keep track of your hours.

In September, all grade 12's will be encouraged to join the Post Secondary and Scholarships Google Classroom with Ms. Gustafson so they can stay up-to-date on current scholarship deadlines.

Athletics News By Nicole McRae & Scott Robertson

What a great year of Athletics at Wellington! We sent athletes to Provincials in Cross Country, Swimming and Track & Field. We had over 5 volleyball teams competing, 7 basketball teams, rugby, badminton, 3 soccer teams and over 200 athletes participating in sports this year at Wellington. We had over 17 teachers in our school involved with our sports programs this year. Also, over 10 community coaches giving their time endlessly to our athletes.

We will say goodbye to our many grade 12's, many of whom gave five years of sport to our Wellington community. It has been a wonderful, busy year of sports.

We will celebrate our athletes and coaches at the Athletic Banquet on June 4th. This is a wonderful event to honour the hard work and commitment each athlete made to our program. Thank you to all of our athletes and coaches!



News from the Art Room by Michele Ney

You haven't been around the art room since the end of first semester and I wanted you to know what we are up to. Our annual WELLINGTON SECONDARY ART SHOW/AUCTION is coming near. The art show provides an opportunity for all to celebrate the wonderful accomplishments that have been created by our students. Students from both first and second semester will be displaying works of art that they are proud of. They will be on display for approximately ten days in the Learning Commons (library) – June 11th-June 15th.

If you have an art work or two that you are proud of and would like it displayed in the show, please bring it to the art room **NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, June 7th**.

We will be holding a formal gallery opening on **Monday, June 11th between 5:30pm-7pm**. There will be music, drinks and snacks provided. It will be a wonderful experience to be a part of. The show will be open to parents, family members, neighbours and friends. We encourage all to attend the "official" Gallery Opening event. All are welcome. Entry is free. Or if you can't make the opening event, parents and guest may view the show between school hours until 4pm daily. If you have any questions, feel free to pop by the art room or send me an email.





International News

We would like to say good luck to our graduating international students:

Robin Wang
Gordon Yam,
Haruka Miyazawa
Helen Xie
Yaoqi Liu,
Zimo Zhao
Fred Liang
Hoang Le,
Pure Baramé
Kevin Chen
Guilherme Seabra
Andrea Sermon

Thank you for choosing Wellington, and joining us in Nanaimo for your graduation experience. There are also over 40 international students who stayed in Canada for either a full year, or just second semester who will be heading home after their stay here at Wellington. We had students from Brazil, Mexico, Germany, Switzerland, Turkey, Spain, Japan, Thailand, and Czech Republic. We have over 20 students who will be returning to Wellington next year in hopes to graduate from Nanaimo in the next few years as well. Thank you all for the diversity that you bring to our school, and for sharing your culture and experiences from your home country with us.

You will be missed!



Wellington's MyEd Parent Portal has now been up and running for a few months. Report cards, student progress, records, attendance and communication with teachers and staff are now available and conducted through the MyEd portal.

If you visit the school website and look under "quick links" you will find the link for MyEd log in, as well as a link to the Help email.

<http://we.schools.sd68.bc.ca/students-parents/myed-bc-family-portal/>

If you have not yet accessed your portal account and did not receive an automated email welcoming you to the portal please contact us by email at
WE-FamilyPortalQuestions@sd68.bc.ca

Graduation Numeracy Assessment

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This June, all Grade 11 students will be writing the Provincial Graduation Numeracy Assessment. All Grade 11 math students from Semester One will also need to write this assessment. Below is an introduction to the Provincial Numeracy Assessment with hyper-links to helpful websites. Students should also check the government website for other helpful information.

The exam involves junior math skills (about to the Grade 10 level), reading ability, reasoning abilities, sequencing information and many of the skills learned in all subject areas.

The Graduation Numeracy Assessment is not tied to a specific math course. Rather, it evaluates a student's numeracy skills developed over the course of their education.

Student-choice component: Two written response questions completed on paper.

These are deeper questions that require students to present their solutions in context and provide detailed explanations to justify their thinking. These questions are based on the information and work the student will have completed earlier in the common component. Students pick 2 of 4 possible questions and take their analysis deeper.

How should students prepare? There are pre-assessment activities for students to explore ahead of time and help them to prepare. These include the sample assessment and a series of videos that explain how to solve questions using the five numeracy processes.

To get you started: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial-assessment/graduation/numeracy>

Please be sure your student prepares and takes advantage of all the example assessments and example answers on line.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Numeracy Assessment Schedule June 2018

Students with last names starting from:	Date	Time	Room
A-Cha	Monday June 25 th	8:30am-11:30am	F106
Che-Ga	Monday June 25 th	8:30am-11:30am	C208
Go-Ka	Monday June 25 th	8:30am-11:30am	F117-lab
Ke-Me	Monday June 25 th	1:00-4:00pm	F106
Mi- Ra	Monday June 25 th	1:00-4:00pm	C208
Re-Sk	Monday June 25 th	1:00-4:00pm	F117-lab
Sm-Z	Tuesday June 26 th	8:30am-11:30am	F117-lab

Students who have conflicting exams may write the assessment on Tuesday June 26th at 8:30am in F106

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GRADUATES

SEATING FOR COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Each student will be allocated **four** seats for family/friends.

If you wish to request extra tickets please contact the school at 250-758-9191 and ask for Patricia.

For those of you with large family groups, please note that the grads will receive their grad caps and gowns at the Grad Rehearsal on Tuesday, June 26th. You may wish to plan a family activity later on Tuesday or Wednesday for those family members who will not be able to attend the actual graduation ceremony.

Reminders!

Please ensure that you have paid all of your fees, returned all books, and paid for any missing ones before June 23rd.

Ensure that the office has your most up-to-date address. Transcripts and diplomas will be mailed to you.

Dates to Note:

June 22nd Dry Grad at Beban Park at 7pm

June 26th Grad Rehearsal at The Port Theatre at 12pm

Students please arrive at 11:30 am
(Band students please arrive at 11:15am)

Group grad photo will be taken directly after the rehearsal

June 27th Grad BBQ & Softball Game at 1:30pm

June 28th Grad Ceremony at The Port Theatre at 10am. Grads arrive by 9:15am

Graduation events are a celebration of your achievements. They are also celebration for families, the school, and community. You are expected to conduct yourself in a manner that is appropriate for a school function at all of the events.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADS!

DRY GRAD 2018

Friday June 22nd

Beban Park

The Nanaimo Dry Grad Society is organizing a fun-filled party for this year's grads! Loads of activities, mounds of food, music, great prizes and more! "A Night to Remember" is about graduates enjoying themselves without the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Here are some hints to help everyone enjoy the night:

Pay your entry fee at your school well ahead of time (\$65)

Admission is from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Student names will be checked with school lists

If you must arrive late, arrange with your school principal ahead of time. Picture ID is required for late admission

Identification wristbands must be worn on your wrist at all times and must be intact when picking up prizes

Entry and exit are through the main gate only. Once you leave the complex you may not re-enter

All bags & purses will be inspected at the entry gate and must then be taken immediately to the Bag Check in Beban Social Center

DO NOT BRING VALUABLES! Food or beverages will be confiscated at entry gate

Anyone arriving under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs will not be admitted to Dry Grad and may be handed over to the RCMP. There will be no refund of the Dry Grad entry fee

Anyone leaving early must sign out through the volunteer room in the Social Center and turn in their wrist band

Lots of food and beverages will be available during the night and barbeques begin at 9:00pm

You will need a swimsuit & towel for the water events. Locker tokens will be available.

Ice skate rentals are free at Cliff McNabb Arena or bring your own

If you plan to play scrub hockey, please bring your stick and helmet

Smoking is permitted in designated area only

Acceptable rules of conduct and language are expected

First Aid will be available from members of St. John Ambulance

If you require medication during Dry Grad, it must be clearly labeled with instructions. The volunteer room will keep it available for you until you leave the event

MANY great prizes are given away during the night, plus cash prizes at the end of the night (around 1-1:130pm) **YOU MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE TO WIN!**

We hope you enjoy your "Night to Remember". Remember that you cannot carry any bags around with you but you can visit your bag in the bag check as many times as you wish.



Have a Safe and Wonderful Summer!

See you Tuesday, September 4th!

