



WELLINGTON SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Mr. Chad Lintott

VICE PRINCIPALS

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Important Dates

PAC Meeting

December 18 @ 7pm—MPR

Winter Band Concert

December 19 @ 7pm

CYMH Parent Night

December 21 @ 6:15 pm

Last Day Before Winter Break

December 22

School Reopens from Winter Break

January 8

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Wellington Community,

The Holidays are here again, I hope everyone has an opportunity for a restful season! We will head into the New Year with course selection, final course assessments for semestered courses, and showcases of learning for our year-long programs. January will be very busy, indeed. We are putting the final touches on the course selection booklet for the 2018-19 school year and will have those available on the school website (link below) as soon as possible. Our intent is to provide you with enough time to read the selection book and discuss academic programming with your child(ren). We are always open to questions if you have any with regards to new courses and new curriculum for 2018-19.

<http://we.schools.sd68.bc.ca/>

A reminder that Wellington will be moving towards the introduction of MyEdBC as the communication portal for parents and students. All schools in Nanaimo-Ladysmith will be adopting the MyEd platform for communication, as many have already done so throughout the province. We will provide more information to you very soon.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me,

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,

Mr. Chad Lintott, Principal



What's Happening at Wellington...



WELLINGTON CLOTHING MAKES A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT

Did you know that we have a variety of Wellington clothing that can be ordered with several choices of Wellington logos?

We have sweatpants, hoodies, crew neck sweatshirts and t-shirts in a variety of colours including: maroon, black, grey and white.

Prices are as follows - crew neck sweatshirts for \$40, hoodies for \$45, t-shirts for \$20, sweatpants for \$35.

Please make cheques payable to Wellington Secondary

Order forms are available on the last page of the newsletter or in the office.

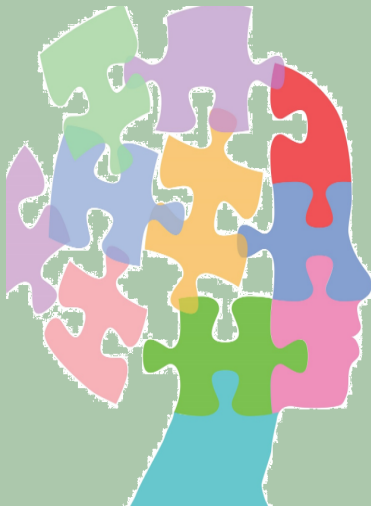


CLOTHING DRIVE

Senior students are starting a clothing drive project. They will wash and mend any items that are donated to the school. These items will be donated to the Salvation Army. If you have any warm clothing to donate, please bring it to C122



MENTAL HEALTH TALKS FOR PARENTS WITH JERRY BOYCHUK.



The third Thursday of Every Month at Wellington Presentation Room

- Session 3: Communicating Care in Conflicts Thursday.

December 21 6:15pm

- In this session we will discuss:
 - Connecting with our teens. What does this behaviour mean?
 - Communicating care in conflict
 - How to turn conflicts around

And more!



BAND



As the Winter season approaches, students will be busy performing in the community for many Christmas season events! A reminder to all that our annual Winter Concert will be held on Tuesday, December 19th at 7 PM in the gym. All band students will be performing and everyone is welcome.

The New Year will be very busy for the band program! Senior students will be attending the Surrey Envisions Jazz Festival in February. Some concert band students will be performing at elementary schools in January. The majority of the jazz band students will also be travelling to the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival in Moscow, Idaho from February 22-25, 2018.

On March 9, all jazz band students will be involved in JazzFest 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. This year's guest artist will be jazz vocalist, Dee Daniels.

WELLINGTON BAND GIFT WRAPPING



Wellington Band students and helpers will be wrapping gifts at Nanaimo North Town Centre between Dec. 3rd and 24th during regular mall hours. All donations go directly to the students. Please consider bringing some or all of your gifts to our space so that we can wrap your presents for you! Thank you.

It's time to have your S.A.Y.!

Support Among Youth

A group for youth, 13 - 19, who are living with depression and/or anxiety.

Come and be heard, supported and know you are not alone.

Wednesday evenings

6:00pm - 8:00pm

1070 Townsite Road, Nanaimo

Call us to register 250.754.3331

Check us out at nflabc.org

NANAIMO FAMILY LIFE ASSOCIATION

250.754.3331 ♦ nflabc.org



Wellington Secondary Students were part of 1,400 people who took part in WE FOR SHE Forum, this unique event brings business leaders and students together with the goal to advance equality and championing gender diversity in our economy and to inspire the next generation. This events organizing partners were the Province of B.C., the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade, and the Women's Enterprise Center.

The keynote speakers were the Honourable Carole James, Minister of Finance and Honourable Jody Wilson-Raybould the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada. The students that attended stated that their favorite speaker was Karina LeBlanc, Retired Canadian Goalkeeper and UNICEF Ambassador. The topic that found most engaging was Creating Positive Mindsets: The tackling of Unconscious Bias by Siri Uotila, Research Fellow, Women and Public Policy Program, Harvard Kennedy School.



CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTRE

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



For more information:

- (1) visit our website (www.ctc-careerpaths.ca)
- (2) get an info sheet (counseling office)
- (3) book an appointment with the CTC advisor (counseling office), or
- (4) book an evening appointment (Barsby, weekly, Thursdays, 5-7 pm, by appointment only, 250-753-6331 ext 407).



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Our Counselling department is planning on doing Christmas hampers this month. We will be welcoming donations of gift cards to places such as Walmart, Superstore, Woodgrove Mall and grocery stores. As well, we would be very appreciative of donations of canned goods and monetary gifts for our hampers. Thanks and Happy Holidays from the Wellington Counselling Team.



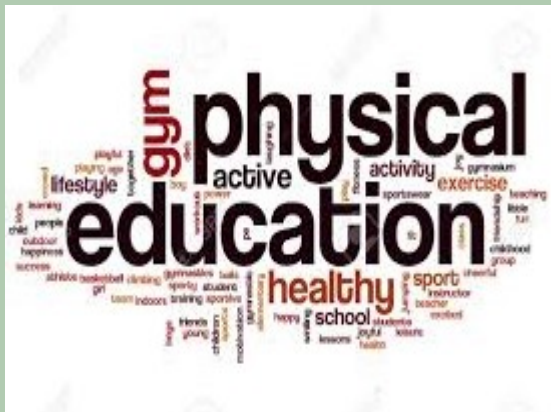
WELLINGTON P. E. DEPARTMENT

Wellington Cross Country Team

Congratulations to the Wellington Cross Country Team who had a fun season at running events up and down the Island. Well done to Karly Dickenson, Elise Coates and Keemo Sorochan for their excellent runs at the BC High School Provincial Meet at Jericho Beach on November 4th!

Wellington Swim Team

Well done to the Swim Team who had four swimmers qualify for the BC High School Provincial Swim Meet on November 17 and 18 at Watermania in Richmond. Relay team members were Sophia Schellinck, Bianca Barbesino, Sarah Kirkhope and Jessica King. Special thanks to Jessica King from Wellington and Andrew Macleod from Dover for coaching the School District #68 swimmers during the season! Also, thank you to Laurel Laturus from the Nanaimo White Rapids who coordinated the Island Swim Meet and Provincial qualifiers.



Wellington's 15th Annual Halloween Hustle

The Wellington PE department has been participating in a walk/run program with the student's for 15 years. We had a beautiful sunny, warm day on October 26 at Westwood lake for our 15th Annual Halloween Hustle 5km run. Top runs this year from Keemo Sorochan and Bianca Barbesino. Great efforts from all students who participated!!



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 will be released January 8th. Please check the website <https://sas.nlsf.ca/App-Login.aspx>

STEPS TO APPLYING

Scholarships

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

****LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED****

VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY CONNECTIONS

Various activities are happening over the next few months. Bookmark the VIU Events page to make sure you don't miss out. <https://www.viu.ca/events/>

Grade 11/12 students:

Are you considering VIU? Would you like to learn more?

Stay tuned to newsletters and check the counselling department for dates of when VIU will be visiting the school or *connect with VIU directly*.

Living Library – VIU be participating in the Education and Career Fair on November 23rd at Beban Park Social Centre. Come connect with alumni and current students and learn more about their university experience at VIU.

How to connect with VIU:

a. General inquiries connect with the Office of Enrolment Management at 250.753.3245, Local 2088 or viuconnect@viu.ca The Recruitment Officer assigned to Wellington Secondary is [Dakota Den Duyf](#).

Visit campus to get a current student prospective on why VIU is for you. For registration and options: <https://connect.viu.ca/visit-options>.

b. Students ready to plan for September 2018 connect with Advising at 250-740-6410 or advising@viu.ca The Educational Advisor assigned to Wellington is Michelle Steel.

c. Application status and documentation questions connect with the Registration Centre at 250.740.6400 or registration@viu.ca



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

As we head into the month of December, we are saying good-bye to some of our Italian students who are only with us for a four month stay. We have enjoyed having these smiling faces in all of our Wellington classrooms: Greta Zoni, Chiara Rosati Colarieti, and Bianca Barbesino. These girls were very involved in our Wellington Community, playing volleyball, running cross country, swimming and participating in our Drama program. We will miss them dearly and hope they have great memories from their time here in Canada. Many international students are heading up to Whistler this month, and to a Vancouver Canucks hockey game. We will also be taking part in our Wellington Multi-Cultural week which will occur right before the Winter break. Many fun activities for our international students are on the way.

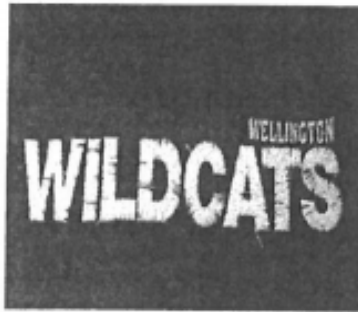


ATHLETICS

Another season has begun in our Wellington gym. Basketball is up and running and we have 8 teams participating this year. Both the grade 8 boys and girls have 2 teams playing in the league, and our junior boys' and girls' teams are looking strong. The senior boys and girls are starting off the season right with some games in the Welly gym on December 1st and 2nd. If you come to our gym on a Wednesday evening, you're guaranteed to see some exciting basketball. The schedules will be posted on the Wellington website under the Athletics tab, so check it out for some great games.

Wellington Clothing

Step 1: Choose your style below



Step 2: Circle the clothing you would like to order below:

SWEATPANTS

HOODIE

CREW NECK

T-SHIRT

Step 3: Circle the size you would like to order below

SMALL

MEDIUM

LARGE

XL

XXL

Step 4: Circle the colour you would like to order below

MAROON

BLACK

GREY

WHITE

No Crewneck

No Sweatpants

Crewnecks = \$40

Hoodies = \$45

T-Shirts = \$20

Sweats = \$35

Name : _____ Cell: _____

Block C Classroom : _____

Total cost of order : _____