Principal's Message ~ April 15th – 19th, 2024

This Week at Lord Tweedsmuir

Thursday April 18th, 2024

Good morning Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary!

Happy Thursday everyone. It is a beautiful, sunny day at Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary. We are enjoying the beautiful flowering blossoms on the trees of our campus and appreciating the Spring sunshine. I hope all Panthers have had an excellent week and your learning has been interesting and meaningful.



I would like to begin by recognizing some of the events from the end of last week. Firstly, great thanks to the Vancouver Opera Society for your performance of "Flight of the Hummingbird". This was a beautiful show with a powerful message. Our family of schools guests really enjoyed the evening. Thank you to Dr. Robinson, Ms. Daigneault and Ms. Miller for your work in hosting the family celebration.

Later that evening, our Music Department hosted our Spring Concert. Our parents, families and friends were treated to a wonderful evening of music. Our student musicians showcased their talents and made us very proud. Thank you to Mr. De La Pena and all of our music students! Good luck to our students at this week's Whistler Music Festival!



Late last week, students in our Dance Program competed at the "Level Up" Provincial Dance Competition. Our teams came home as Provincial champions for both Jazz Dance and Contemporary Team Choreography. Congratulations to Ms. Okrainetz and all of our talented dancers!



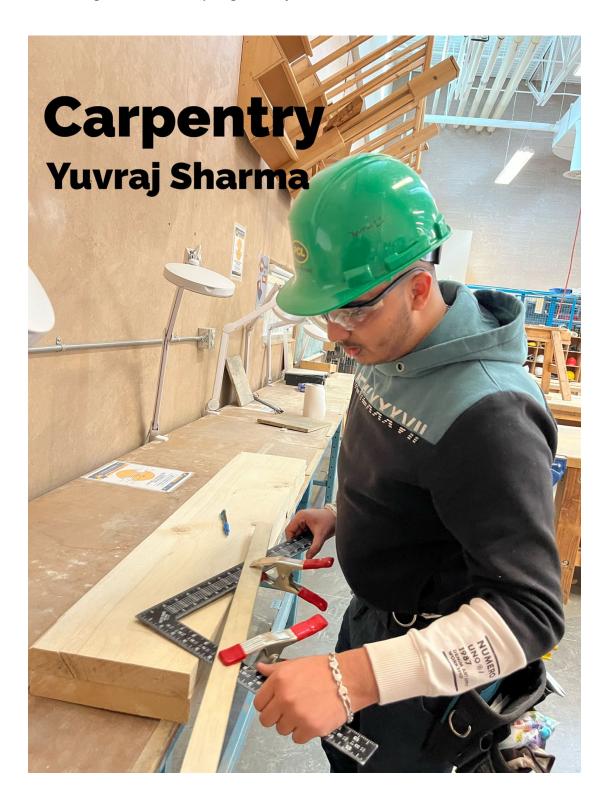


On Friday, our school celebrated Vaisakhi with a special Bhangra performance at lunch time. Our students loved the performance! We were very impressed with their creativity and athleticism. Thank you Panthers! It was wonderful to see our students celebrating culture and diversity within our school.

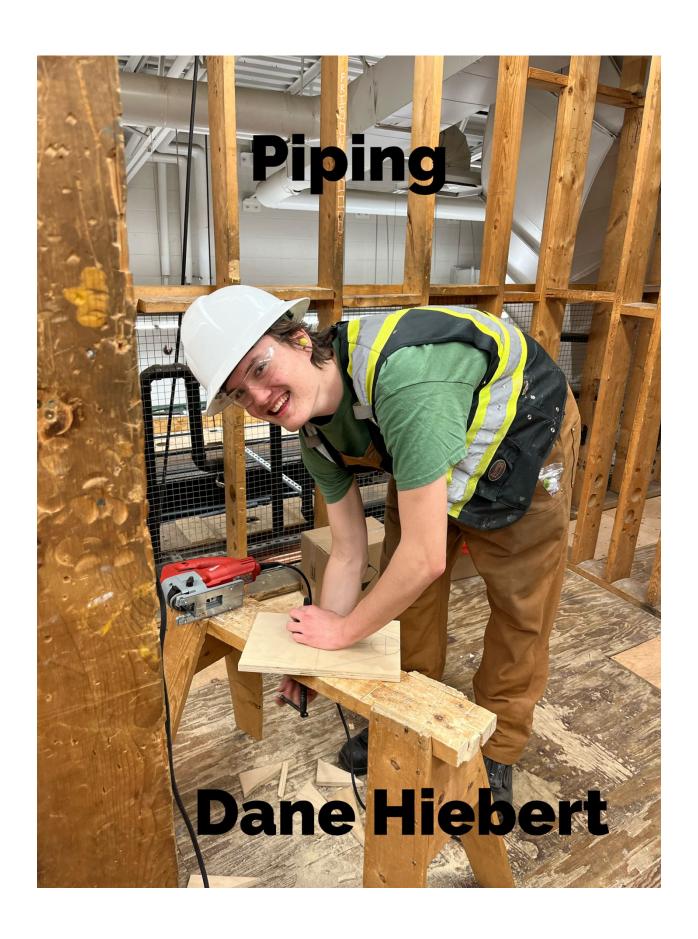




We are very proud of the accomplishments of students in our Apprenticeship programs and their amazing successes! Way to go Yuvraj, Elsie and Dane!







On Monday and Tuesday this week, our Grade 10 students wrote their Numeracy and Literacy Provincial Assessments. This has required a significant effort to schedule the students and adjust our routines. Thank you to all of our teachers for your flexibility in allowing this important graduation requirement to occur.

On Wednesday, Ms. Biggin and our Modern Languages Department hosted Le Crepe Boheme... the "crepe truck"! This is always a fun and delicious event for our students. Not only do they get the chance to enjoy some authentic French cuisine, the students also practice their French language skills as they order their crepes. It was a win-win!

This week, Lord Tweedsmuir teachers have been preparing 2nd semester mid-term Learning updates (Report Cards). Special thanks to all of our teachers for your additional time and care and expertise required in providing descriptive feedback to our parents/guardians. This is valuable information and much appreciated by our community. Thank you for your professionalism. Great work Panthers! (Note: Report cards will be distributed to students next week.)

Have a great day tomorrow and enjoy your weekend. See you on Monday!

Ken

Traffic Safety



Traffic safety around Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary is a critical priority for our community. With increased enrollment, the number of vehicles navigating around and within our school grounds also increases. It is essential that all drivers are very cautious while driving near the school and are aware of the many student pedestrians who are nearby.

All students and parents/guardians are requested to consider the following:

- If possible, students please walk and/or bike to school. Fewer vehicles attempting to drop off and/or pick up students will be very helpful.
- Consider dropping off/picking up 2-3 blocks away from the school and avoid the traffic congestion around the school.
- Consider drop-off/pick up earlier and/or later in the morning/afternoons to avoid peak traffic times.

Thank you for your help in protecting the safety of our students.