

École Salish Secondary



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Principal's Message

One week until Spring Break. I repeated that mantra Wednesday evening as I went home and shoveled snow for what I hope to be the last time this year. The white stuff was nice to see at the beginning of February but by the beginning of March, I am done with winter! Although I groan about the snow, being in this building with such wonderful natural light does make the season pass more quickly.

Walking into the main entrance this week, you may have noticed a new piece of art hanging by the stairs. Our students have been working with Ms. Trujillo and the Surrey Community Arts Program and have produced three beautiful banners that are now on display. The students worked with Semiahmoo artist, Roxanne Charles to create the weaving out of non-traditional materials. Roxanne is also the artist who created the mural that is on our sliding glass doors in the main office. Thank you to Ms. Trujillo for initiating this project for our school.

Our Band students were also on the move again performing in Penticton this week. It was a quick but successful trip. Our Grade 8 Band performed at the Okanagan Band Festival. The students performed well especially for their first trip away.

The basketball season is now over and we are gearing up for our spring season. Our girl's rugby team has been practicing for a while. This week, was the first practice of our Ultimate team as well as our girls soccer team. The teams are looking forward to the snow melting so they can start to practice and play games after Spring Break.

We are heading into Day Light Savings this weekend. Remember to 'spring ahead' an hour Saturday night.

Ms. Hammond, Mr. Tait and Mr. Mahli

LEADERSHIP

With the start of the new semester, Leadership started out with a new group of students. In the past few weeks, we supported the Cloverdale Community Kitchen with the Coldest Night of the Year and created care packages for their extreme weather shelter. Thank you to anyone who supported us in this. In addition to donations from throughout the school, the United Way gave us \$250 to buy the missing items donations didn't cover. The CCK was very grateful and you can check out our certificate in the front display case.

We also ran some Pink Shirt day anti-bullying activities. Ms. Trujillo donated time, knowledge and resources to help us create the buttons. I doubt this would have been half as successful without her help. Then Ms. Johnson made us cookies to give away and decorate, supplying everything we needed to run the activity. Inclusion allowed us to take over their space for a lunch hour; we served hot chocolate to students and played games in their space. Overall, we are so lucky to have the support and help of staff. If our leadership students are feeling successful right now, it is due to these amazing staff members!

One last note: My students are the ones who do the pop-can recycling so if you see a bin that is over flowing or in need of attention, please let me know.

Thank you, Ms. Young

CAREERS CORNER

Today, gr 11 student, Dylan Moryski is competing at the Skills BC Regional Competition in Mechanical Drafting. Good luck to Dylan this year, who has been taking the Drafting District Program in the evening on top of his regular classes. Salish superstar!!

Two of our other District Program students have been hard at work with their Carpentry Level 1 training, working in sun, rain and snow! (Pictured on the right)

Our Career Café Lunch Hour Guest Speaker series has been busy! Kevin Parton, local Certified Financial Planner, was in this week to discuss careers in Finance. Next week we have two more awesome guests, so please pass on to your students!

Tuesday, March 12 – Cloverdale Rodeo staff to discuss volunteer and scholarship opportunities

Thursday, March 14 – Jon Lee, Strength and Conditioning Coach with the Toronto Raptors

Upcoming sessions include: Firefighter, Paramedic, Nursing, and Animation!



GROUP REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 8TH?



Sun Run April 14th, 2019!

Register for \$40 If you are interested in joining Team Salish, sign up on https://register.vancouversunrun.com and click on "join existing team" then search for "Salish Secondary"!



NEXT WEEK

Mon., March 11th
Tues., March 12th
5:30pm
Salish Spring Mixer dance

Wed., March 13th Thurs., March 14th Fri., March 15th

LOOKING AHEAD

March 18th to March 29th SPRING BREAK – SCHOOL CLOSED

Mon., April 1st School Re-opens Tues., April 2nd

Wed., April 3rd 6:30pm French Immersion District Speech Meet

Thurs., April 4th Fri., April 5th