



École Salish Secondary



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Principal's Message



October 11th, 2019

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. The first month of the school year flew by and there are no signs of things slowing down in October.

The first week of September was amazing! Thank you to our Community Block Committee for organizing so many fun activities. It was a great way to start the school year and gave us a chance to really get to know our students.

A special thank you to our Counselling team on completing and balancing student schedules. We are hoping to complete the scheduling change process within a couple days.

During the first week, all students attended the school opening assembly. Thanks again to teachers for leading your classes into the gym and sitting with them throughout the assembly. Students were very well behaved and your presence made a big impact on their behaviour.

School athletics was in full motion by the end of the 1st week of September. It was great looking into the gyms after school and seeing all the students and teacher coaches practicing for the upcoming fall volleyball season. It's also exciting to see students come up with proposals for new clubs and begin to meet with already established clubs.

We were excited to host our first Grade 12 Parent Information Night on Thursday, September 19th. Many parents attended and appreciated the information provided about what to expect and plan for throughout their child's Grade 12 year. Thank you to our whole counselling team, Ms. Black, Ms. O'Brien, and Mr. Sharma for attending and for a very informative presentation. Parents left the meeting with a lot of timely information as the post-secondary application window prepares to open. A big thanks also to Ms. Andersen for preparing a very informative and useful presentation. Parents were very impressed with the amount of information (and opportunities) for our students on our Careers website. <https://salishcareercentre.weebly.com>

As we begin Fall, we look ahead to deeper learning with our students with classes in full swing. Thank you to our PHE department for recognizing the importance of Terry Fox Day in their classes. We had an opportunity to walk around the school and see how engaged students are in their learning. From robots wheeling around the TED lab, students using the white board desks to graph out equations, students debating the idea of revolutions, students collecting photography pictures for their portfolios, and wood working students using Styrofoam to practice cuts, learning was obvious throughout the building.

It was also nice to see many of our grads participate in Spirit Week from Tacky Tourists to Kindergarten Day. Grads are looking forward to more activities in the months ahead. Thank you to Ms. Young and Ms. Mann and our Grad Committee for organizing Grad Spirit Week. Admin met with grads on Tuesday, September 24th at lunch in the Theatre to discuss ideas for future grad events.

Thank you to Ms. Baumgartner, Ms. Speed and all teachers involved in making Orange Shirt Day such a huge success. The messages posted were both thoughtful and inspiring and an important part of our school community and our identity.

October started with photo retake day and a host of athletics teams beginning their season. Volleyball, Cross Country, Boys Soccer and the Swim Team are in full action already. We're also excited to continue with our Ice Hockey team with a community coach helping out. Thank you to the following coaches for their leadership and commitment to developing a strong program here at Salish:

Volleyball:

Gr. 8 Girls: Nicole Miller & Mr. Sperling

Gr. 8 Boys: Ms. Milross

Junior Girls: Mr. De La Paz

Junior Boys: Mr. Pederson & Ms. Riddoch

Senior Girls: Eric Ens & Stephanie Martens

Boys Soccer:

Gr. 8/9: Ms. Peters

Senior Boys: Mme. Ludolph

Ice Hockey:

Derek Fulton

Cross Country:

Mr. Lo & Ms. Riddoch

Swim Team:

Ms. Baumgartner & Mr. Salary

On October 8th, our grade 12 students and some parents had the opportunity to learn more about post-secondary as we welcomed UBC to Salish. Thank you to Ms. Andersen and Ms. McGowan for organizing a great event.

It was great to see our Leadership students welcome our grade 8's with hot chocolate on Wednesday, October 9th. Continuing on our theme of building community, admin and teachers met with our grade 12 students to outline the grad activities and expectations for the year ahead. Thank you to Ms. Anderson and Mr. Kuoch for presenting to the students. After the assembly grade 12's moved to the cafeteria to enjoy an afternoon BBQ and social. Thank you to Mr. Sharma, Mr. Missana, Ms. Johnson, and Ms. Numminen for all your help with organizing and cooking a delicious meal.

Friday, October 11th was definitely a busy day with the advanced polling for the Federal Election and our grade 8 girls volleyball tournament. Thank you to all staff with your patience with managing your classes around these activities. Also, thank you to our PE staff for making the small gym available and for our volleyball coaches for hosting our first tournament of the year. Go Wolves!

With the weekend upon us we're reminded of all things for which we're thankful. We are thankful for an amazing staff and a school community full of caring people working together with students every day to fuel their passions and to build on their strengths.

Ms. Hammond, Mr. Mahli and Mr. Tait

CAREERS CORNER

- 1) Any parents with questions about post secondary or scholarships are welcome to visit the Career Centre (Room 221) during Parent/Teacher Night on October 23rd.
- 2) All Grade 9 students will be taking part in Take Our Kid to Work Day on November 6th. Students should now all have their form and return it signed to the Career Centre. The form can also be found here: <https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/salish/Departments/Career/Pages/default.aspx>
- 3) All Grade 11 & 12 students will be participating in PSI Day (Post Secondary Institute Day) on November 19th. If they have not yet signed up they should do so at: bit.ly/salishpsi
- 4) The BCIT Biotechnology Career Awareness Program is now accepting applications. The deadline to apply is October 24th. Applications and more information is available in the Career Centre.
- 5) October 23rd from 6:30-8pm the Careers in Trades Information Session is taking place at the Alice McKay Building at the Cloverdale Fairgrounds. Interested students and parents can register here: www.eventbrite.com/e/careers-in-trades-information-session-tickets-74925234393
- 6) Stay up to date with new programs, events and opportunities by following our Career Centre Instagram page. @salishcareercentre and sign up for our Career Centre Newsletter here: <https://salishcareercentre.weebly.com/>



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Careers is now a specific area of learning in the BC curriculum from K-12. For info to help you plan your gr 10-12 courses & grad requirements check out BC's Grad Planner and BC's Dogwood Planner.

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Optional Student Accident Insurance

Did you know that the Surrey School District does not insure expenses for student injuries that happen on school grounds or during school activities? You are responsible for these expenses as a parent or guardian.

Your DPAC and the School District provides the opportunity to voluntarily purchase private accident insurance through the Insure my Kids Accident Insurance program underwritten by Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada.

Plan features:

- Provides coverage **365 days a year**, 24 hours a day, in or out of school.
- Covers expenses that are limited or **not** insured under MSP, private or group insurance plans; for example, private tutors, lump sum payment for fractures and dislocations, counselling and much more.
- Covers injury related **Dental** (including future expenses).
- Covers injury related **Eyeglasses** (repair or replace up to \$300).
- **Low** annual premiums from \$13 per student for the Silver Plan (discounts available for families with 3 or more children).

For more information, or to apply online, visit insuremykids.com.

DRY GRAD COMMITTEE 2020



**DRY GRAD PUB NIGHT
FUNDRAISER!**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
FOX AND THE FIDDLE PUB
19530 LANGLEY BY-PASS
6:00pm**

**Tickets are on sale now!
\$25 will include Burger, Fries
and a glass of beer/wine
(can substitute veggie or chick-
en burger)**



**Tickets can be purchased
through Scott Dignall
s-diggy@outlook.com**

**DRY GRAD FUNDRAISER
SILENT AUCTION • 50/50**
\$25 - Proceeds to support École Salish Secondary Dry Grad

Where: Fox & The Fiddle
19530 Langley By-Pass
When: Saturday, November 16th, 2019 6:00pm
Ticket includes Burger, Fries and a glass of Beer/Wine
(can substitute veggie or chicken burger)

**WE NEED YOUR HELP
DONATIONS STILL REQUIRED**

****This event is completely parent-driven and supported by friends and business partners in our community. If you have a business or an organization that is able to assist with a donation for our silent auction or raffle, they can be dropped off at École Salish Secondary (attention Dry Grad Parent Committee), alternatively, arrangements can be made to have a parent volunteer pickup the donation directly.****

**Dry Grad Parent Chair—Doug Brown
Doug.1828@gmail.com**

École Salish Secondary Dry Grad is fundraising with Purdy's Chocolatier, just in time for Christmas! If you'd like to support us through purchasing some very sweet Christmas gifts for friends, family and yourself, please click this link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1029933-68305>

Orders and payment are accepted online only and the order deadline is November 27th. Orders will be available for pick up at the school on December 9th with location and times available closer to the day.



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Purdy's Group and Fundraising - Christmas 2019 Season

If you have any questions please contact either Karri Wallsten at dkwallsten@shaw.ca or Susan Steimecke at dzss@shaw.ca

GRAD BBQ – OCT. 9/19



JR. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT – OCT. 11/19





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NEXT WEEK

Mon., Oct. 14 th		Thanksgiving Day – School Closed
Tues., Oct. 15 th	7:00pm	PAC Meeting in the Library Learning Commons
Wed., Oct. 16 th		
Thurs., Oct. 17 th		
Fri., Oct. 18 th	11:00am	Samosa Sale (Hold High the Torch Fundraiser)

LOOKING AHEAD

Mon., Oct. 21 st		
Tues., Oct. 22 nd		
Wed., Oct. 23 rd	1:15pm	Early Dismissal
	2:10-4:00pm	Parent Teacher Interviews – Session #1
	4:40-6:30pm	Parent Teacher Interviews – Session #2
Thurs., Oct. 24 th		
Fri., Oct. 25 th		Non-Instructional Day, no classes



Happy Thanksgiving
Long Weekend