"This Week at Lord Tweedsmuir" - Principal's Message: January 20th - 24th

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

## Good morning Panthers!

I hope your final week of Semester #1 is going well and that you are moving toward a very successful completion of your courses. The 2024/25 school year is now half completed and our school life has been full of amazing stories of success, overcoming challenges, wonderful times of celebration and many, many examples of hard work and perseverance. Life at Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary will continue to be complex, rewarding and busy! Congratulations to all students and staff for your many accomplishments and important achievements over the past semester. We are very proud of all of our LTSS Panthers!



Speaking of incredible accomplishments... I would like to again recognize our LTSS Dance program. I had the opportunity to attend last week's evening Dance Recital. The audience was treated to a wonderful showcase of talent and creativity. Our student-dancers were so impressive. Congratulations on all you have achieved.







Another fantastic result was achieved last week by our Junior Boys Basketball team. The boys were competing in the RCMP Classic tournament against teams from across Surrey. Our team finished in 1<sup>st</sup> place! Congratulations boys! We are very proud of you.



2025 Surrey RCMP Basketball Classic Champs Lord Tweedsmuir (Photo by Silvester Law)

This week, we have been discussing the Hybrid Learning Pilot project that will be implemented next year. This District instructional model will include both face-to-face classroom instruction and online instruction. We are now in the process of determining a small number of participating classes. We will be sharing details with our community as our planning continues.

This week our Dry Grad Committee of parent volunteers met to continue their planning for this year's graduating class. I am looking forward to another year of hosting a safe, fun, supervised Dry Grad Celebration with our Grade 12 students. Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary has a very long history of excellent Dry Grad events. It is one of the final opportunities for our graduates to come together in celebration. I know this year we will host another memorable celebration for our students. Thanks so much to all parent volunteers for your hours of hard work and dedication to the fundraising and hosting of this year's Dry Grad. We could not do this without you.

Tomorrow is the final day of regular classes for Semester #1. On Monday and Tuesday, the school will be open for students seeking extra help and additional support from their teachers. Students are asked to please schedule a time with your teachers for any required assistance that will support your success.

On Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, the first classes of Semester #2 will begin with our regular bell schedule. Students should have now downloaded their 2<sup>nd</sup> semester timetable from the

MyEdBC Family portal. Hard copies will not be distributed. Please contact the office if you require assistance logging into the portal.

I wish all Panthers a well-deserved rest this weekend. The last 3 weeks of concluding our semester has been very full. We look forward to the beginning of our next learning journey and all that the Spring semester will bring us.

Take care, rest up... and know that we are proud of you!

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