## Principal's Message ~ April 29th – May 3rd, 2024

## This Week at Lord Tweedsmuir

## Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Hello Panthers! Welcome to the month of May. It is a beautiful time of year and I am reminded daily of the importance of acknowledging the traditional, unceded and shared territories of the Coast Salish peoples and our good fortune to be able to live, learn and play on this beautiful land.



Good morning everyone and welcome to another week of learning and celebration at Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary. As always, much on the go at our school.



We began our Grade 7 Tours/visits last week and will continue with this important articulation. Last Thursday we hosted Grade 7 parents for a school presentation and then a Clubs Fair and school tour. It was a very positive evening, well attended, and a great chance to meet our future partners. On Friday morning, we hosted Grade 7 students from Don Christian Elementary school. Again, a wonderful chance to meet our future Panthers, show off our school, provide important orientation information, and have our Student Leaders demonstrate their role within our community. Thank you to all staff and students who said "hello" and/or assisted with the tour. Future visits with our other Associate schools will be happening each Friday morning over the next month.





On Monday afternoon, we met for our monthly Staff meeting. In addition, to the implementation of numerous year-end activities in curriculum, extra-curricular projects, Graduation celebrations, Provincial Assessments, Report Cards, and much more; we are also highly focussed on planning for next school year. We are currently developing next year's Extended Bell Schedule. (Details will be shared with the community at the end of May). We are also in the middle of the hiring process for next year's teachers and building next year's timetable. This is a very important time of the year for all members of our Panther community.

Our amazingly talented Art students have been busy with creativity and inspiration. Here is our latest display. Special thanks to our Drawing & Painting 11/12 students for your work in beautifying our school.



Friday is a Non-Instructional Day across the Surrey School District. Teachers and Support Staff will be attending a wide variety of workshops and collaboration events. I wish everyone an excellent day of stimulating conversation and new learning.



Students, enjoy your long weekend, stay safe, study hard, and we will see you back at school on Monday morning.

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## 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.