

# FLEETWOOD PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## THURSDAY REVIEW



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### Quotation Of The Week:

**Education is not  
preparation for life;  
education is  
life itself.**

*John Dewey*



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### **The Week Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b> , September 25, 2017	National Coaches Week Non-Instructional Day PAC Meeting: 7:00pm, Learning Commons
<b>Tuesday</b> , September 26, 2017	Grade 8 Retreat Grade 12 Parent Information Night: 6:30pm, Plaza
<b>Wednesday</b> , September 27, 2017	Grade 8 Retreat
<b>Thursday</b> , September 28, 2017	Grade 8 Retreat First Nations Film and Information Workshops, Plaza
<b>Friday</b> , September 29, 2017	Orange Shirt Day

### **Upcoming Events:**

October 13<sup>th</sup> – School Photo Retake Day

### **This Week at Fleetwood Park - Principal's Message: September 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Good morning to all Fleetwood Park Secondary staff, students, parents and friends,

It is a gorgeous day at Fleetwood Park Secondary. The sun is shining, the air is crisp and we have perfect conditions for this afternoon's Terry Fox Run and Welcome Back BBQ!

The school is now settling into the routines of the first semester. All but a few timetable adjustments have now been completed and students and teachers are well into their curriculum. Our current enrolment is now 1471 students and we have completed our staffing process for the Fall of 2017. It has been a very busy, complex and exciting month of new beginnings and organizational challenges. Again, I would like to thank our entire community for your support as we have started the school year.



Over the past few days I have had the pleasure of meeting many of our Leadership students and am learning about the many initiatives being planned for the school year. Whether it is the Student Council and the 100+ student volunteers and their recent work on the "Clubs Fair", or an Extracurricular Club like "Reach Out" and their Freezie fundraiser, or the Student Leadership classes and their organization and hosting of the BC Student Leadership conference; our students are making a difference in the school and across the community. I am so impressed with their service leadership. I have challenged our Graduating class to leave the school at the end of the year with a legacy of leadership and service to our community; and I am confident they will be very positive role models for the rest of the student body.

The past week has included numerous special events and activities.

On Monday our Health and Safety Committee met for their first meeting. This is a very important working group within the school. Thank you to the many teachers and staff who have

volunteered your time and expertise. All staff are encouraged to reach out to any member of the Health and Safety Committee if you have questions/information/issues related to the Health and Safety of our community.

On Monday evening we held our first regular Staff Meeting of the year. I always appreciate the opportunity to hear from teachers about the current initiatives that are underway. The school is a busy, vibrant place with important and impactful learning opportunities and culture building events happening across our building.

On Wednesday, we practiced our first “Lock Out” and Fire Drill evacuation of the year. The school emptied in under 5 minutes, and attendance was completed in under 15 minutes. The drill reinforced our current systems as efficient and organized, and identified some further areas for our attention. Thank you to all staff and students for your serious and attentive participation. We have scheduled an additional 5 drills over the school year, and we will continue to fine tune our fire, earthquake, lock out and lock down responses.



This afternoon is our annual Terry Fox run and Welcome Back BBQ! I am looking forward to participating in my first Fleetwood Park Terry Fox run. This is another very worthy cause and demonstrates the social responsibility of our students. It is a wonderful tradition for our school and a great opportunity for our students and staff to raise awareness, raise funds, and have fun together! Thank you to all of our staff who will be helping coordinate and supervise the events, and thanks to our Student Council for all your work in organizing and volunteering your time. It will be a special afternoon for our school.



Enjoy the rest of your day, and the continued sunshine tomorrow. Next week will also be very full with many special events for our community. Grade 12 students/parents are reminded of the Grade 12 Parent Information Night on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Grade 8 students/parents are reminded of the Grade 8 retreat starting on Tuesday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, and all Dragons are reminded of Orange Shirt Day on Friday.

All the best,

Ken

### **Mission Statement:**

*“At Fleetwood Park Secondary we value excellence in education and strive to provide a learning environment where all students are encouraged to build successful futures.”*



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**YOU ARE INVITED...**



**'GRADE 12 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT' – TUESDAY, SEPT 26<sup>TH</sup>, 6:30PM - PLAZA**

We will again be hosting an information session for parents/guardians of Grade 12 students. This will be an opportunity to meet the Administration and learn more about Graduation Program Requirements, Graduation Celebration events and Post Secondary Application.

We look forward to meeting you and sharing important information about your child's Graduation year at Fleetwood Park Secondary School.

**Hope to see you on Tuesday evening.**

**BRING YOUR QUESTIONS!**



**Meet the Principal**

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**Graduation  
Requirements**

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**FPSS Graduation  
Celebration  
Events**

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**Post Secondary  
Application**

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**Ask Questions**

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