

# FLEETWOOD PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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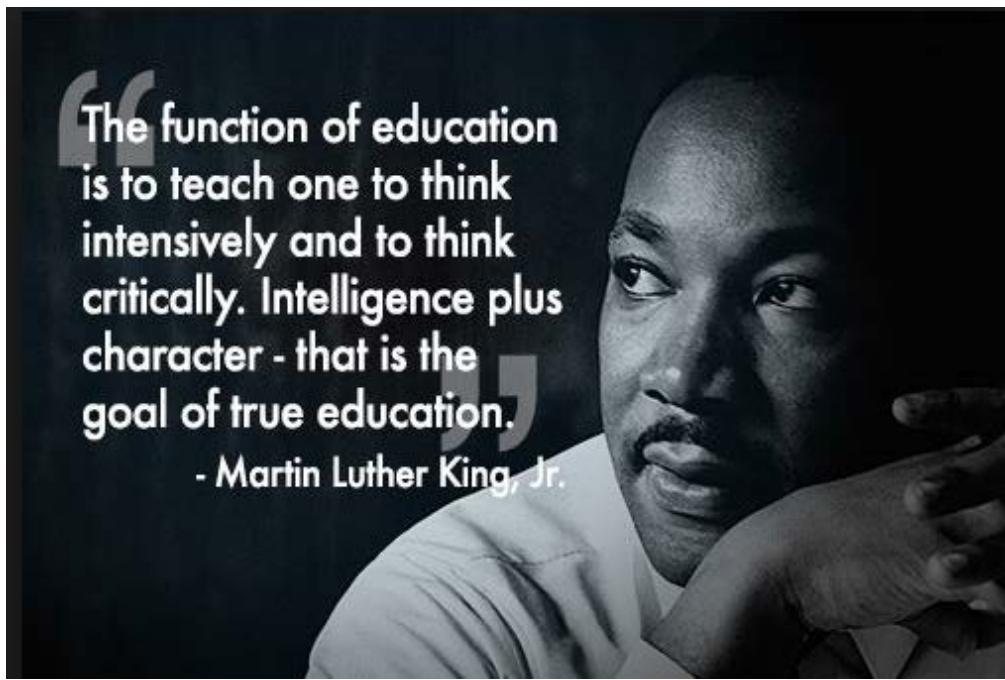
## THURSDAY REVIEW



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### Quotation Of The Week:



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### **The Week Ahead:**

<b>Monday</b> , October 23, 2017	UBC presentation: 11:15am Terry Fox Foundation – Special Presentation: 11:15am, Plaza Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting – 7:00pm, Library
<b>Tuesday</b> , October 24, 2017	Staff Committee Mtg: 11:15am, Office Conference Room Western University presentation: 2:45pm
<b>Wednesday</b> , October 25, 2017	
<b>Thursday</b> , October 26, 2017	
<b>Friday</b> , October 27, 2017	Interim Reports issued

### **Upcoming Events:**

Oct. 30 – Nov. 2 Spirit Week  
Nov. 1 – Take Your Kids to Work Day (Grade 9 students)  
Nov. 2 – Parent/Teacher Interviews  
Nov. 3 – Non-Instructional Day

### **This Week at Fleetwood Park - Principal's Message: October 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>**

Smiles, engaged students and staff, learning and celebration – it has been an exciting and fun week at Fleetwood Park Secondary! Good morning to all Dragons.

This week has been a wonderful celebration and affirmation of the positive and inclusive culture of our school. We have all been very busy.

On Monday afternoon our Department Heads had the opportunity to meet. We discussed several school-based and District-wide items and also had the chance to learn more about the latest initiatives from our Science Department. We were able to share the latest calendar information from the School District. On January 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> and then on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>, all Surrey Secondary schools will be scheduling “Semester Completion Days”. These will be days that will provide students an opportunity to write Provincial Exams, get caught up on missing assignments and assessments, receive tutorial support and/or individual programming in order to successfully complete their courses. Although regular classes will not be in session, schools will be open and teachers will be available to support our students. I will be publishing a more detailed list of learning activities from each department at the beginning of January.

# School Calendar

## January 2018

22	23	24	25 Semester Completion Day	26 Semester Completion Day	27
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## June 2018

18	19	20	21	22
25 Semester Completion Day	26 Semester Completion Day	27 Semester Completion Day	28 Semester Completion Day	29 Admin Day Schools Close

On Tuesday, principals from across all the metro school districts had an opportunity to meet with the Ministry of Education officials to learn more about the implementation of our new Grade 10-12 curriculum. It was very helpful to learn about the plans of other schools across the lower mainland. I left the meeting feeling that Fleetwood Park Secondary and the Surrey School District are very well positioned and prepared for the changes ahead.

Thank you to all members of our Technology Advisory Committee for your wise counsel and informative feedback. The committee met this week to review our current technology needs and set priority for the future. Our goal will be to continue to support the educational transformation

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initiative through the use of powerful technological tools.

Wednesday was a very exciting day at the school. Our Multicultural Club organized a celebration of Diwali – Festival of Lights, and Cultural Celebration. Students enjoyed samosas at lunch, the plaza was decorated with lights, and students proudly demonstrated their henna artistry!



The Nichidai, Japan cultural visit also occurred on Wednesday. Approximately 75 students guests and their teachers/supervisors joined us for the day. In the morning we welcomed the group to Fleetwood Park Secondary and then matched each student with a FPSS buddy. After tours of the school, our guests accompanied their buddies to their class and then spent lunch with them. After lunch, we enjoyed a cultural exhibit of Japanese arts, crafts and games. The day was a great success, and added to the rich history of cultural exchange and celebration at our school. I would like to thank all of our Leadership students for being such gracious and friendly hosts, and to all teachers who welcomed our guests into your classrooms.





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Our Cross-Country team competed in “epic” weather conditions yesterday! Congratulations to all members of the team as you managed to persevere through a mid-day monsoon. Our Junior Boy’s team brought home a Surrey banner. Well done everyone!

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On Wednesday evening we welcomed about 20 Grade 12 parents to attend the first Dry Grad Committee meeting of the year. Thank you to everyone who joined us. I am very pleased to see this important work initiated for the graduating class of 2018. Our goal is to organize a spectacular and safe graduation celebration for 100% of our Grade 12 students. Dry Grad is always an ambitious project, and requires the assistance from many parents and students. All senior parents/guardians are encouraged to join the committee and support this very important work. The next Dry Grad meeting is on November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm in the library. Hope to see you there!

This morning our school practiced our Earthquake Drill procedures as part of the "Great Canadian Shake-out". FPSS students and staff "ducked, covered, and held" as the rumbling earthquake simulation played over the P.A. system. Thank you to all Dragons for your participation in this important drill.

The British Columbia Leadership Conference has arrived at Fleetwood Park Secondary! Registration begins at 4:30pm this afternoon and tonight at 6pm the conference begins with Welcoming remarks and an Opening Ceremony. We are welcoming 400 students from across the province. They will be spending the next 3 ½ days involved in leadership seminars,

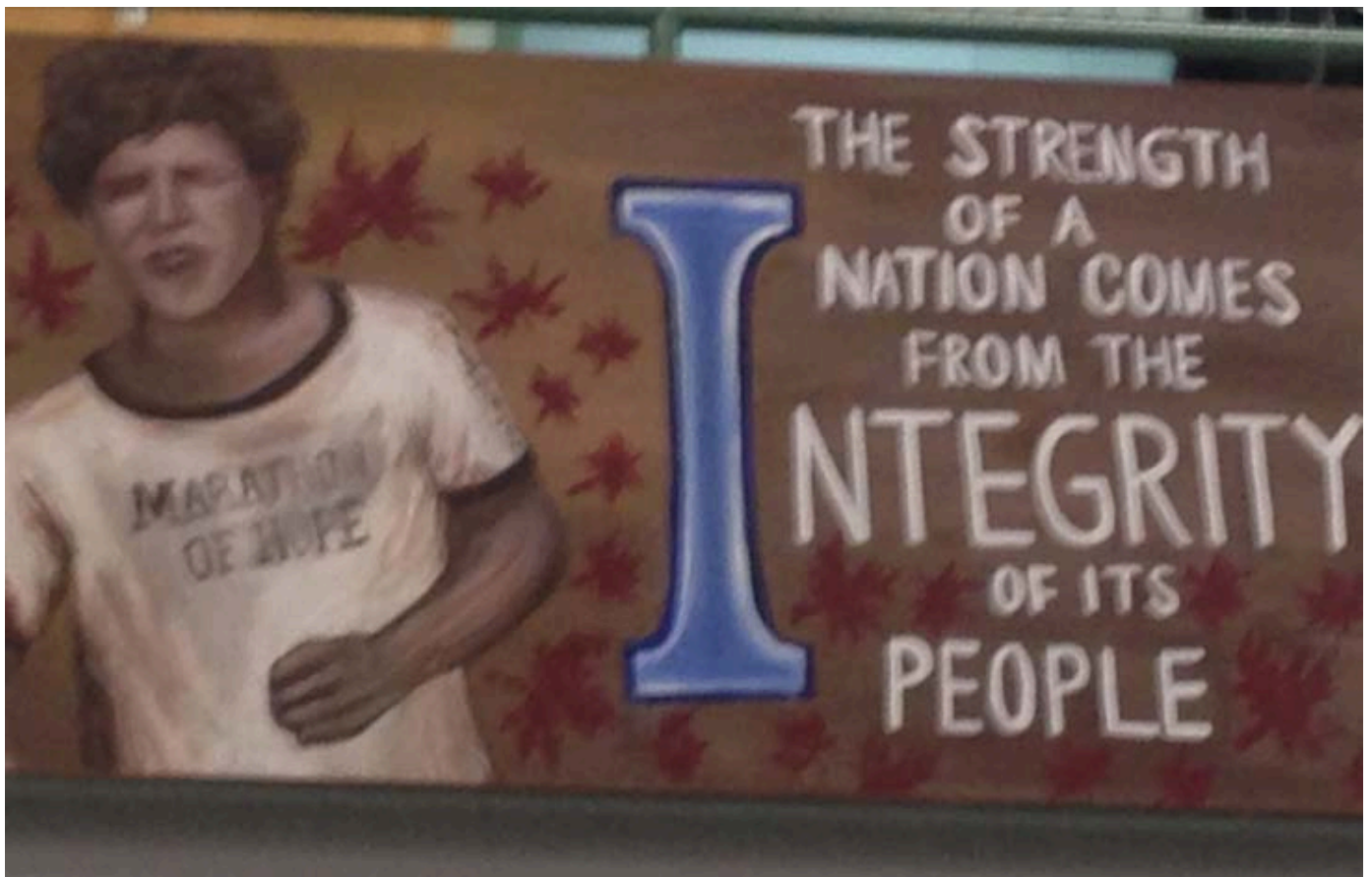
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community service projects, listening to Keynote speakers and reinforcing their influence in their communities. It will be a very exciting and positive event for us all. We wish Mr. England and all of our Leadership students the very best for a successful conference! I would also like to thank our students and staff for your support and assistance in helping with the many, many tasks required to host the conference. We couldn't do this without you. Well done everyone!

This week we installed several new murals in our Plaza. The murals highlight our school's theme of "Breathing Fire" and represent many of our school's departments. The murals are a wonderful addition to our school and will be admired by our many guests this weekend. The artists are FPSS students: Owen Xu, Lucy Feng and Julia Nguyen.







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Our intramural program is very popular and in full swing! Students are currently enjoying soccer season... the gym is full every lunch-break, and the intramural teams are showing us their skills.



Our very talented Fine Arts students have been busy creating portraits. Ms. Fredericksen's and Ms. Porter's students have their art on display... I am so impressed with their creativity and talent. Thank you for sharing your work.

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Tomorrow, Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> is a Professional Development Day. We will be engaged in learning both within the school and across the lower mainland. I wish all staff a rich day of learning and collaboration.

The next few days will be a whirlwind of activity for Fleetwood Park Secondary and the BC Student Leadership conference. I wish all participants all the very best. I'm looking forward to the excitement and the learning!

Have a fantastic weekend.

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**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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