

# FLEETWOOD PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## THURSDAY REVIEW



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### Quotation Of The Week:

Education must not simply  
teach work - it must teach  
Life.

W. E. B. Du Bois



## The Week Ahead:

<b>Monday</b> , April 1, 2019	Return to School Grad Guest passes available at the office
<b>Tuesday</b> , April 2, 2019	
<b>Wednesday</b> , April 3, 2019	EUCLID Math Contest
<b>Thursday</b> , April 4, 2019	
<b>Friday</b> , April 5, 2019	

### Upcoming Events:

March 18 – 22: Spring Break

March 25 – 29: School Closure Days

April 8: Ministry Curriculum Day (Non-Instructional Day, Classes not in session)

April 9-10: Dry Grad Artona Family Photos, 4:00pm – 8:00pm

April 15 – 18: Pride Week

April 18: Dry Grad Boat Cruise

April 19: Good Friday, School Closed

April 22: Easter Monday, School Closed

April 24: Report Cards available on MyEdBC portal

April 24: Vaping Information Community Presentation, 6:00pm

April 26: Day of Mourning, Workplace Safety Awareness

April 29: Flex Day/ Staff Meeting/ PAC Meeting

April 30: Junior Science Challenge





## This Week at Fleetwood Park - Principal's Message: March 11<sup>th</sup> – March 15<sup>th</sup>

Hello Dragons! It is the final week before Spring Break, our Winter weather is behind us, and all is well at Fleetwood Park Secondary! I hope everyone has enjoyed your week of learning and celebration of community. The last few months have been full of interesting new challenges and numerous success stories, and our students and staff are looking forward to a very well-deserved break.



Last Friday our Hockey Team celebrated a fantastic season with a win over Clayton Heights Secondary in the Tier 2 Championship game. We are the B Division Champions!! Congratulations to Coach Horton and team for all you have accomplished. We are very proud of you!





Our Music Department was also in full swing last weekend, with a Jr. Concert Band performance on Friday evening, and a Senior Concert Band and Choir performance on Saturday evening. I was delighted to be able to attend the Saturday performance and cheer on our wonderful musicians. This week it was our Jazz Bands' turn to perform and on Tuesday night our students played to a full house of proud parents/family/friends. Congratulations to Ms. Sheridan, Mr. Gough and Mr. Robinson and all our student musicians on your work together and the beautiful music you create.



Grade 10 Concert Band



Senior Choir





Senior Concert Band



Jazz Band



On Wednesday evening, students in our Music Department, along with Mr. Gough, Ms. Sheridan and Ms. Shier experienced an incredible creative learning opportunity. They visited the Canadian Music Centre to collaborate with the "Turning Point Ensemble" to record their poetry and musical compositions. This was part of the "Poetry N Pieces" program where student artists are guided by renowned writers and composers to create work that embraces both sound and words. Congratulations to our student composers/poets! You are amazing ambassadors for Fleetwood Park Secondary!



Poetry N Pieces – Canadian Music Centre

On Monday afternoon, Department Heads met to discuss the use of portfolios in classes across our school. Self-reflection, as part of our students' development of their Core Competency "Thinking skills" is now a key part of our curriculum. It was very interesting to hear about the wide variety of portfolio strategies and tools that teachers/students are currently exploring. We also had the opportunity to review the portfolio functionality of the "MyBluePrint" software that all students now use as part of their Career Education curriculum and Capstone Project graduation requirement. We anticipate that this portfolio tool will become an integral part of our students' learning story over their 5 years at Fleetwood Park.



On Tuesday, Fleetwood Park's Home Economics Department recognized "Nutrition Month". They celebrated the recent update of Canada's Food Guide with 12 stations of food arranged around the school at lunchtime. Students offered us free samples of their creations... it was all delicious! From Vegetable stir fry, to fruit smoothies, chicken wraps, protein balls, chocolate (avocado) brownies and more... it was a smorgasbord of healthy food choice! Thank you to Ms. Szeto, Ms. Mullen and Ms. Mattoo and all our Home Economics for all your work and culinary creativity!







Home of Dragon Pride  
"Building Successful Futures"



On Wednesday we completed course selection for next year's timetable with a visit to William Watson Elementary school. Again, this year was the initiation of the MyEdBC portal account creation for grade 7 students. This will allow incoming Grade 8 students and parents to access timetable information prior to their arrival in September. My thanks to our Admin and Counselling teams, and to our Associate school staff, for your assistance in making this possible.

On Thursday our Staff Committee met to discuss our processes for building and staffing next year's timetable. This is a complex and challenging task that will take many months to complete. We look forward to liaising with Department Heads to help provide feedback as we build the timetable and adjust to the changing needs of our school and community.

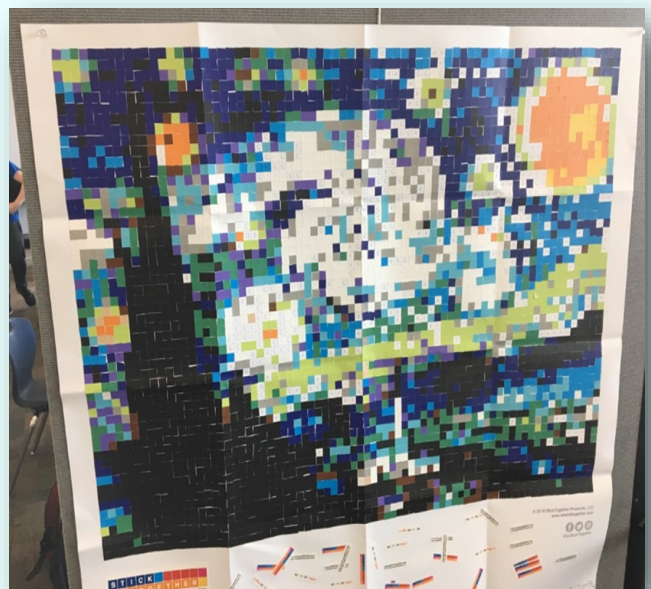
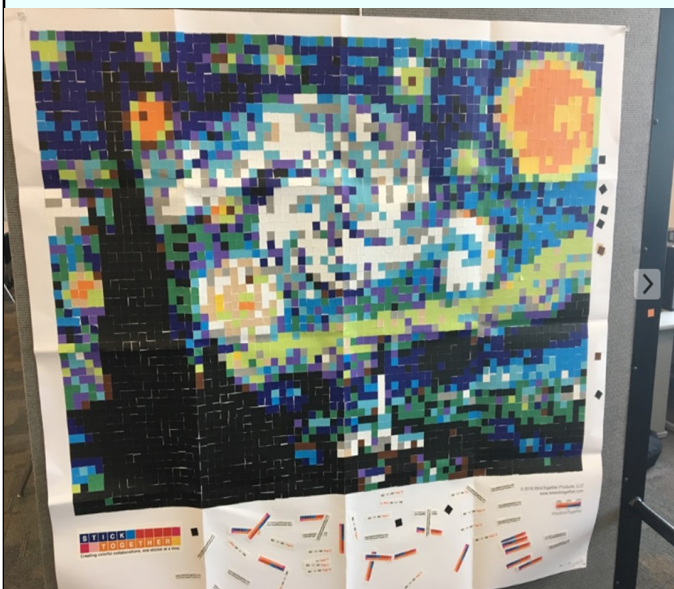
Thursday evening will be a wonderful time of celebration for our Graduating class of 2019. We host the annual Dry Grad Fashion show and will enjoy the spirit and pride of our grade 12 students and families. I would like to recognize the Dry Grad Fashion Show Committee, and all of our participating students, for all of your work in making this event possible. Thank you so much! I know the evening will be a great success, and our graduates will look fantastic on the stage!

Tomorrow is a "Flex Day" with early dismissal at 1:33pm. At lunch time our Best Buddies Club has organized a great event called "Hooping it Up!". This is a basketball free-throw friendly competition fundraiser! All students and staff are encouraged to come down to the gym at lunch time and cheer us on. We will raise funds for our Special Needs students and celebrate the spirit of inclusion and warmth that defines our Fleetwood Park community.

This drawing, created by Ryan, a student in our BASES program, shows us an image/story of a computer game he is creating.



Over the past week our Maker Space Club project has been capturing our students' attention in the Learning Commons. This mosaic has gradually come together over several days to reveal a final masterpiece! Students are encouraged to join Maker Space Club Thursday after school in the Learning Commons.



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I wish all students and staff a wonderful, relaxing Spring Break. Over the past term as a school we have achieved so much, and can be very proud of the excellence in learning and community building that has occurred. This has required hard work, focus and a true spirit of collaboration and partnership. Together, we succeed!

Happy Spring Break and see you back at school on April 1st!

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."*

