Announcements – Friday, February 28, 2025

INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE WEEK

★ Today for the last day of Indigenous Knowledge Week, we want to talk about the term "Decolonization." This is often a term used when people talk about how we as non-Indigenous settlers can help in the reconciliation process. Decolonization is the "undoing" of all that colonization did to Indigenous Peoples. It is the changing of laws and policies that have been used to oppress and control Indigenous Peoples. It is the court cases and land claims settlements that have been fought for to ensure that Indigenous Peoples are benefiting from the land and have a future of self-government and self-determination. It is the righting of the wrongs of the past so that Indigenous Peoples are given the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. It's something that we can all be a part of every day, Stars. Thank you for sharing this week with us.

CAREER CENTRE

- ★ The BCIT 2025 Biotechnology Career Awareness program is now accepting applications from students in Gr. 10-12 who have a keen interest in science and wish to explore how Biology can be applied to real-world challenges. Drop by the Career Centre for more information.
- ★ The "Jill of All Trades" event at BCIT is designed for female students in Gr. 9-12 who are interested in exploring skilled trades up close. Participants will have the chance to learn about various professions, including Ironworking, Machining, Cabinetmaking, Digital Communication and more. This all-day event will take place at the BCIT campus. For further details and to apply, please visit the Career Centre.

COUNSELLING

★ Students in Gr. 10 and 11 need to be familiar with using the Education Planner BC website. There will be an online session on Tuesday, March 4th, from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Learn how to create an account, search post-secondary programs, discover career pathways and get information on financial aid. See your counsellor for further details.

SPORTS

- ★ Soccer Intramurals—Soccer Intramurals are kicking off soon in the large gym! Games are 8 minutes long, played full court, with teams of 6-8. There are separate Gr. 8/9 and Gr. 10-12 division. The season starts on April 7th, so sign up by March 11th at the water fountain by the large gym and be part of the action! See you there, Stars!
- **★ Flag Football**—Flat football tryouts will be held on Monday, March 3rd and Tuesday, March 4th at 2:45pm on the lower field. See Ms. Hill with any questions.
- **★ Junior Badminton**—Any Gr. 9's or 10's interested in trying out for the boys and girls junior badminton team, please come to a meeting on Monday, March 3rd, in room A204 at lunch.

EVENTS

★ Students, do you want to finally crack the code on solving a Rubik's Cube? Join "Twist n' Turn", a free in-person workshop open to all grades—no experience needed! Sessions will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch, with only 20 spots available. Sign-up opens today and goes until March 5th in B110!

CAFETERIA

- **★** The specials today are:
 - Chicken Strips & Fries
 - Cheese Quesadilla
 - Spaghetti w/ Tomato Sauce