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October 17th, 2016

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CALENDAR UPDATE	
Oct	Event
17 & 19	3:00-5:00 'We the Children' Pumpkin Sale
18	7:00-8:30 Terry Small "Learning to Study with Your Brain in Mind"
19	7:00 John Hopkins University Presentation
21	Provincial Professional Development Day – School not in Session

COLLABORATION BLOCK – Thursday, Oct. 20, 2016

Grade 8s

For the first half of collaboration block, students will meet in Players Hall for a presentation by Mr. Crowley regarding our school lock-down procedures. For the second half, they will proceed to the gym for a presentation on Fire Safety by the West Vancouver Fire Department. Both of these presentation support the safety of our students within our school and community.

Grade 9s

For the first half of collaboration block, students will meet in the gym for a presentation on Fire Safety by the West Vancouver Fire Department. For the second half, students will proceed to Players Hall for a presentation by Mr. Crowley regarding our school lock-down procedures. Both of these presentation support the safety of our students within our school and community.

All grade 9 students, including Super Achievers and Academy students will participate in Take Our Kids To Work (TOKTW) Day on **Wednesday November 2, 2016**. Paper packages will be distributed during collaboration block, can be picked up in the Career Resource Centre or can be printed from www.msjansen.com - HCE 9. Please ask your student for this package, sign the permission form and have your student return the permission form by Tuesday October 25th to the HCE 9 box in the Career Resource Centre. For more information on this event, please visit: <http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/what-we-do/student-programs/take-our-kids-to-work>.

JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY -- HOW SELECTIVE USA UNIVERSITIES MAKE ADMISSIONS DECISIONS

On Wednesday Oct. 19th at 7:00PM a representative from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD will be presenting on "How Selective US Universities Make Admissions Decisions". Johns Hopkins is one of the most selective Universities in the States so this should be an interesting information session for anyone applying to schools with competitive admission standards. We encourage both grade 11 and 12

students and their parents to attend. Rockridge is offering this session in conjunction with Johns Hopkins for all students in the lower mainland.

ROCKRIDGE PAC NEWS

PAC Meeting October 26th 8:30am @ Library Learning Commons

Thank to you to Rockridge Youth Worker Leanne Warner who, at our last meeting, gave us a brief but very informative and engaging talk on her important role in supporting our kids. Leanne comes to us with a wealth of experience and knowledge, and we are very lucky to have her support! Leanne is located in the school Counselling office fulltime and can be reached at lwarner@wvschools.ca.

October Guest Speaker: The guest speaker at our October meeting, **Dr. Justin Davis**, will discuss **Neuroscience and the Teenage Brain**. Justin is a passionate communicator and teacher. He combines his expert knowledge in the field of neuroscience and the love of teaching to help parents and educators understand best practices for educational development. Justin is committed to helping parents, teachers and students find the information and resources needed to get the most out of our amazing brains. Justin received both his PhD and MSc in neuroscience from UBC. He earned his HBsc in cell biology from the University of Western Ontario.

TERRY SMALL "LEARNING TO STUDY WITH YOUR BRAIN IN MIND"-Tuesday, 18 October 2016 7pm

Last day to register for this PAC sponsored Event!

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/terry-small-learning-to-study-with-your-brain-in-mind-tickets-28131373696>

About the event: Terry Small's student success system shows your kids how to take charge of their time and succeed! Parents and students attend this seminar together to learn proven strategies and study secrets. You will learn how to:

- Study more efficiently, in less time.
- Take the best notes in your school
- Improve your memory.
- Tackle your textbooks with confidence.

We hope you can make it! **Donations at the door to the Rockridge Scholarship Fund**

Rockridge Spring Fair 2017!!

There are plans in the works for a fantastic fundraising Spring Fair. The Spring Fair Committee will be providing their first PAC update this year at the October 26th PAC meeting. Details and contact information will also be posted to the PAC website if you are unable to attend.

November Guest Speaker: Superintendent **Chris Kennedy** will be speaking at our November meeting.

RSPAC Meeting Dates and Times	Location
November 23 rd 8:30am	Music Rm E105
January 25 th 8:30am	Library Learning Commons
February 22 nd 8:30am	Music Rm E105

April 26 th 8:30am	Textiles Rm W113
May 24 th AGM 8:30am	Social Studies Rm G201

Need to reach us? Please email the PAC executive at ropac@wvschools.ca.

COMPLETION OF FORMS

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR YOUR STUDENT TO HAVE THEIR FORMS COMPLETED?

ONLINE FORMS

The completion of the online form enables students to fully participate in their classroom activities. At this time, for example: [Some teachers cannot get all their students in their class set up on Google Apps](#)

We ask that parents and guardians please complete the District Policies and Procedures Forms electronically, which are found on the school website at:

<https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Account/Login?rr=Form/PandP>

STUDENT RELEASE FORMS

We ask that parents complete and return these hard copy forms to the school so that we can complete our Emergency Preparedness plan. Student Release Forms were distributed to students during the first week. They can also be found [here](#).

STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORMS

We ask that parents sign and return these forms confirming all information is correct and noting any changes to contact information. Student Verification Forms were distributed to students during the first week.

YOUR ASSISTANCE IN ENSURING THAT ALL OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED FORMS ARE COMPLETED IS APPRECIATED. THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THE FORMS.

ROCKRIDGE ATHLETICS – BASKETBALL

Basketball season is approaching – practices will start on November 7th. Before we can enter teams in the many divisions: Bantam, Junior and Senior, we need to find volunteer coaches for these teams. If there are any parents interested in coaching one of these basketball teams please contact [Mr. Armstrong](#) or [Mr. Crowley](#) as soon as possible.

This week in Rockridge Athletics

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
17-Oct-2016	18-Oct-2016	19-Oct-2016	20-Oct-2016	21-Oct-2016
BA VBALL (BLUE) @ MULGRAVE 4:00PM 	JR GIRLS VBALL vs COLL 4:00PM @ ROCKRIDGE 	BA VBALL (BLUE) vs (RED) 4:00PM @ ROCK 	JR GIRLS VBALL vs ELPH 4:00PM @ ROCKRIDGE 	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
BA VBALL (RED) @ WVSS 4:00PM 	JR GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY vs COLL @ WG 3:30 	JV GIRLS VBALL vs SENT 4:00 PM @ ROCK 	SR GIRLS VBALL vs MUL 6:00PM @ ROCK 	
		CROSS COUNTRY MEET #4 LOUTET (NV) 	SR BOYS SOCCER vs WINDSOR 4:00 TBA 	
			BA RUGBY vs COLL 4:00PM @ ROCK 	