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DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

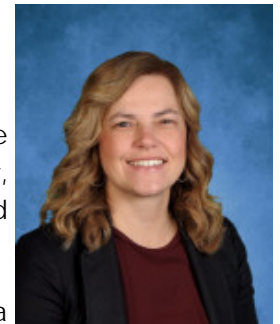
We have had an exciting and successful first term at Rockridge Secondary School. In this edition of the Rockridge newsletter, we will share the many accomplishments of our students and staff.

Term 1 Report Cards were published on December 9th. This is a good time for students and parents to discuss the first term's progress and set goals for the term ahead. Should parents have any questions regarding their student's progress or would like strategies for improvement, please contact your student's teachers. Parent – teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, January 19th, 2017 from 1 – 4 pm and 6 – 8 pm. There will be an early dismissal for students at 11:30 am. Information regarding the sign-up for these conferences has been emailed home. There will be additional information sessions regarding MYP assessment and reporting prior to Parent-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, January 19th at 12:30 pm and, again, at 5:30 pm.

On November 10th, our students participated in a lovely Remembrance Day ceremony. The performances by the band, choir, and drama classes were excellent. The fact that so many of our students were involved in the ceremony both in front of and behind the scenes in a variety of ways made it even more special. The ceremony was a moving and meaningful tribute to those who are serving and who have served.

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in Rockridge's athletic teams this Fall, as they had a successful season which you will see in this newsletter. We would like to thank our teacher and community coaches for their dedication to Rockridge's athletes and athletic program.

Rockridge's students have been busy contributing to both the local and global communities. To highlight just a few of the initiatives, the Blush Club collected warm clothes and blankets for those less fortunate, the Umoyo Club fundraised by selling cookies to benefit Nyaka Orphanage in Uganda, and our community made a difference in the lives of teens by donating backpacks filled with essential items to the Covenant House. We thank everyone for their generosity and support.



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Principal's Message Cont'd.

Rockridge's newspaper club recently published its first term newspaper. Please [click here](#) to read the many interesting stories covering a variety of topics from Rockridge's extra-curricular activities to movie and travel reviews.

On Friday, December 16th, there will be a Pancake Breakfast for students from 8 am – 8:30 am, which is sponsored by Student Council. Students are asked to bring a monetary donation to Canuck Place for this event.

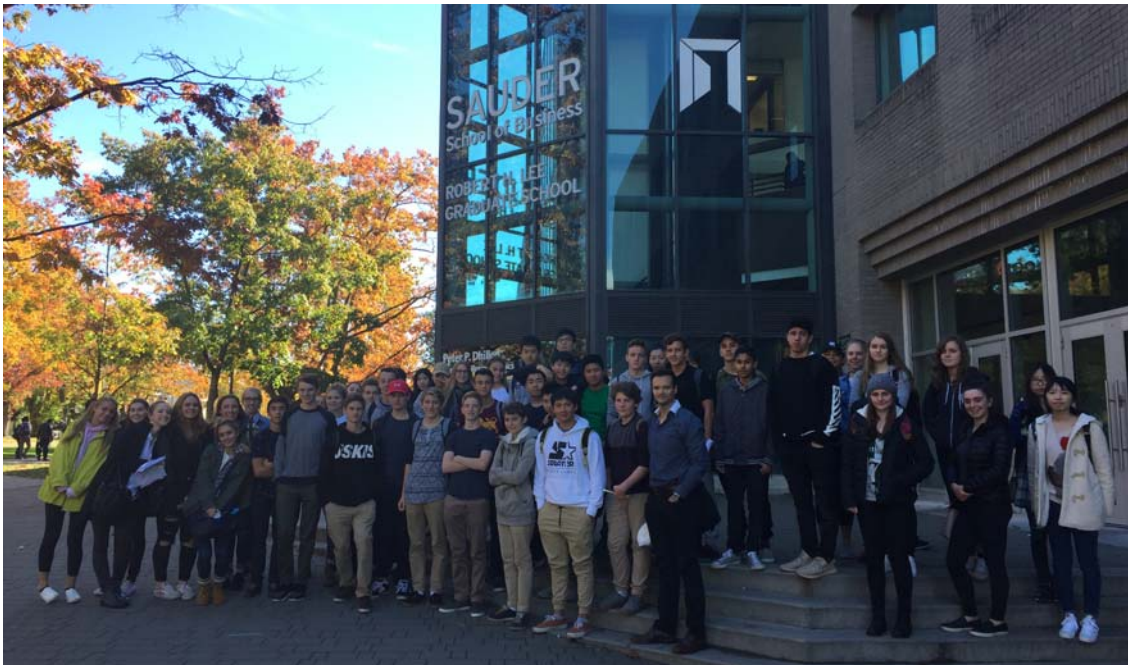
On behalf of the Rockridge staff, I hope that you and your family have a relaxing and wonderful Winter break.

Jeannette Laursoo



CLASSROOM NEWS

Accounting 11 Mr. Dickinson



On Wednesday October 5th, the Rockridge Accounting 11 classes traveled to UBC to experience what it was like to be a student at the Sauder School of Business. Rockridge students were given a tour of the faculty and the surrounding campus by Rockridge alumni Harrison D. In the course of their day on campus, Rockridge students

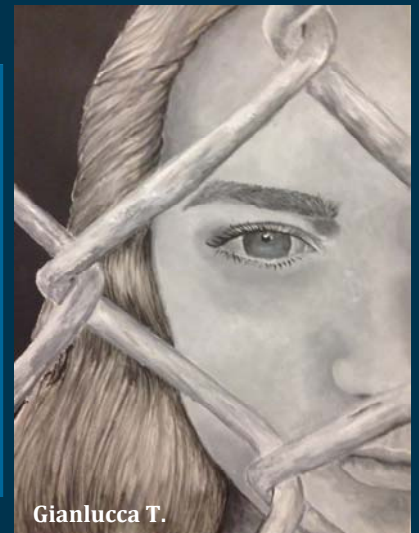
had an opportunity to actively participate with 3rd year managerial accounting students and took part in a 2nd year course focused on quantitative decision-making. The students had a question and answer session with Sauder professor Brian Graham, which highlighted key actions that students could take to help ensure academic success in university life. It was great to see the students realize that they could understand the material being presented and appreciate the opportunities available to them by pursuing a degree in business.

Art Ms. Lehman

**BEYOND THE SELFIE****PRE AP ART**

This portraiture tradition is to create an image that is posed and planned. An image that shows the subject at its best.

These original compositions seek to capture portraits that are 'of the moment' not planned.



BASE CAMP—Grade 8's Ms. Skehill

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This year's Grade 8 Base Camp involved a half day of orientation to Rockridge activities on Tuesday, Sept 6th and a full day trip to the Cheakamus Outdoor School in Squamish on Sept 9th. During these two days students engaged in activities and workshops involving team building, leadership, MYP, growth mindset, extracurricular activities, team sports and stress management. The goal of this program is to introduce students to Rockridge life and each other through fun and engaging activities to help start off their year on a positive note; to come home saying "it's going to be a great year"!



FAST Program Mr. Dickinson

I would like to congratulate the students in the district's First Aid Swim Training (FAST) program who have now achieved their Bronze Medallion Certification. They have been working since September to learn both the content and techniques, which apply to this course. Their hard work culminated in a multi-day comprehensive skill assessment in December.



FAST is a young lifeguard education program that allows students to develop the essential skills to be successful and confident lifeguards during the course of their regular school day. At the completion of the FAST program students have obtained all of the required certification prerequisites necessary to enroll in the National Lifeguard Course. In addition to developing strong first aid skills, the FAST program also provides students with a practical foundation in resistance and cardiovascular training, swimming, stroke development and leadership.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year and can be found on the district website.

Rockridge Film Presents “Longshot—The Brian Upson Story”

Rockridge Secondary Film program is in the process of creating a feature documentary on former SD45 teacher and coach, Brian Upson. For those who are not aware of Brian's story, he was a member of the staff at WVSS for 4 decades and coached the boys basketball program. It was with his passion and leadership that the Highlanders became the most feared and respected basketball program on the North Shore. Brian led the Highlanders to their only provincial basketball championship in 1982, only to pass away after a long battle with cancer just 2 weeks later. As a former Highlander and recipient of the Brian Upson Memorial Trophy, I am proud to be a part of bringing his story to a broader audience.

Film students have contacted the former players, friends and family members to participate in the documentary and have started the process of conducting interviews. I have the utmost confidence that their film will honour Brian's memory and legacy.

The film is set to premiere at the Kay Meek on Friday, February 24, 2017.

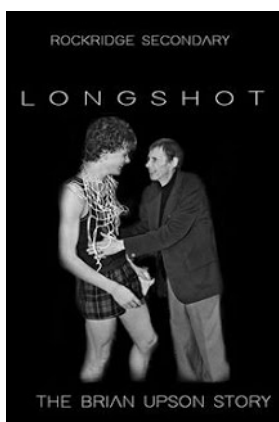
In order to produce the highest quality of production for the film, students have created an Indiegogo crowdfunding account to raise money for equipment, rentals, and film rights. We are asking for the public, alumni, and family members to contribute to our production, and since launching, \$5365. has been raised.

If you are interested in supporting our production, please go to: <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/longshot-the-brian-upson-documentary-basketball-community--3#/>

We have posted the 82 final to YouTube. Watch it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mqTrNYP1Tj0>

If you have any questions regarding our film, please feel free to contact Mr. Shannon by email at:

dshannon@wvschools.ca.



Grade 9 Interdisciplinary Unit - Ms. Skehill

This year the Grade 9 Interdisciplinary Unit involved English, Math, PE, Textiles and Foods 9 students. In PE 9, students learned about preparing for challenging activities in nature. In Food Studies 9 students learned about proper nutrients and hydration required for a day of being physical outdoors. They evaluated the nutritional value of snack recipes, and selected, prepared and packaged a snack for all the grade 9 stu-

dents. In Textiles and PE 9, students learned about proper apparel for being physically active in nature. In future years the plan is to further expand the program to allow students to gather data while on the hike and later interpret the results in Math 9. In PE 9 the students will prepare for the hike through fitness training and orienteering practice.



Law 12 Mr. Dickinson



Law 12 students have been busy engaging in experiential learning opportunities out in the community this fall. On Monday October 24th students visited the Vancouver Provincial Criminal Courts at 222 Main Street. Rockridge students were given an opportunity to engage with key courtroom personnel and watch law in action through a variety of trials all at different stages of completion. On November 23rd, law students travelled to the SFU downtown campus to attend a youth forum hosted by the BC Civil Liberties Association (BCCLA). Through a series of presentations and workshops including one presented by Aboriginal Leader, Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, students were able to understand why human rights organizations such as the BCCLA are

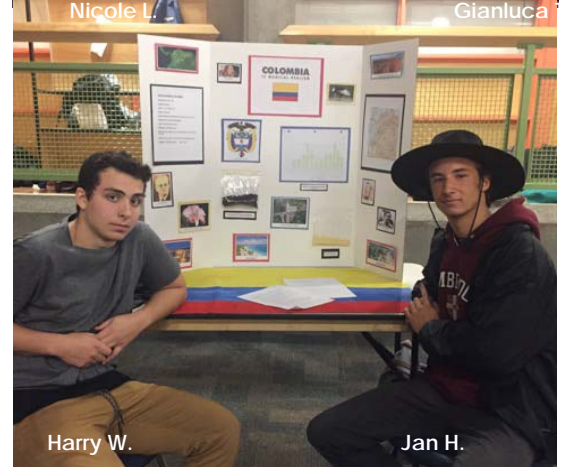
paramount to a healthy democracy. I truly believe that the best way to make learning in the classroom come alive and develop lifelong connections with skills and content, occurs when students are given the opportunity to step outside the traditional school environment. I look forward to travelling with these students on our future trips in the New Year.

MYP Grade 10 Personal Projects - Ms. Jansen



Grade 10 MYP Spanish-Speaking Countries Projects

The students selected a Spanish-speaking country, and acted as Ambassadors from that country to Canada, gathered together at an International Tourism Fair where their role was to highlight their chosen country as a good place to travel, to live or in which to set up a business.



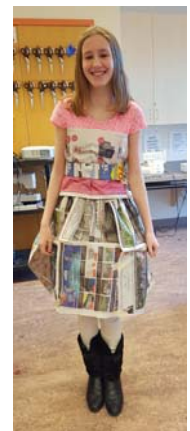
Textiles 8 Ms. Sawers

Sewing 8 Hits the Fashion Runway

Nothing says "new term" like the newspaper fashion show extravaganza that takes place at the start of every Grade 8 Design rotation in Textiles. The students worked with a pile of newspaper, scissors and masking tape to create their fabulous costume and fashion designs. In addition there was a whole lot of collaboration, creativity, brainstorming, problem-solving, critiquing..... and FUN!

Pictured from Left to Right:

- * Chloe B.
- * Hannah S.
- * Jessica B.
- * Hamish K.
- * Max M.
- * Connor R.



Anna-Grace C.

Textiles Continued

Projects made with LOVE!

The students of Mrs. Sawers' Textiles 11 and 12 classes have been busy making projects that focus on Youth Helping Youth. The pillows and knapsack bags the students have sewn will be donated to the street youth clients of Covenant House. Many kids on the streets of Vancouver don't have the basic comfort of a pillow. The water proof knapsack, with room to hold the pillow and other valuables, will hopefully bring some comfort to a few kids in need.



Annie W., Hayley C., Gabi R.G., Kate M.. and Brylie G.

Ms. Ohlhauser and Ms. Foster

THEATRE COMPANY



Clockwise from top left: Sovereign N., Louise S., Saskia M., Kelk J., Olivia K.



Fallon O.



L to R: Laurence B.F., Max W., David F.

Rockridge Theatre Company rehearsals are well underway. This year's musical production brings us timeless themes of revenge and entrapment in **MONTE CRISTO**. A cast of 21 students and a crew of 20 students are hard at work designing and rehearsing with light-hearted songs, hilarious dialogue and powerful revelations. We will build or embellish costumes that transform us into 1820s pirates, counts and captains this year and are looking for donations of leather jackets, leftover brocade fabric, wedding dresses, leather belts, cream or beige men's shirts, men's and women's suit jackets and boots. Donated costumes will be altered and not returned. Please deliver any of these items to the school office marked THEATRE COMPANY. Please include your contact info if you would like to be acknowledged in the program. Thank you! We hope to see you in the audience at the Kay Meek Mainstage April 4-7.

Ms. Lambie

OUTDOOR CONNECTIONS PE FUNDRAISER

JAN 19TH 6 PM—9 PM JACKETS FOR JASPER
FUNDRAISER

The Outdoor Connections PE class is hosting a "Jackets for Jasper" fundraiser. Rockridge will have a Pop-Up Shop that will be selling hand-made lightweight down jackets made in Kathmandu, Nepal. Every cent of the profit from these jackets will go to fund the education of two children from Kathmandu; Resmi and Jasper, so they can go to school. The Outdoor class will be asking for donations with the purchase of a jacket towards their program. The funds raised for the Outdoor Connections class will be put towards trips and equipment that allows these students to take their learning outdoors and make meaningful connections with their environment. For more information, visit the website: www.jacketsforjasper.com



COVENANT HOUSE BACK-PACK DRIVE

Thank you to all the Rockridge families that came together in support of the **Covenant House Backpack Drive** once again this year. Our community has once again shown their tremendous generosity for this very worthy cause!

THANK
YOU!!

Oliver S.

MODEL UN CLUB

Rockridge was represented by eighteen students at the Connect Model United Nations Conference in Vancouver from the 18th to the 20th of November. The conference provided students with a truly immersive experience in international politics. Over the course of three days, delegates were exposed to exciting challenges and international crises and worked with their allies and against their enemies to resolve major problems of the world. Delegates said it was a busy, but rewarding weekend and they learnt a lot about world politics and the workings of the United Nations. Congratulations to Kyle T. on winning the "Outstanding Delegate" Award!

All students are welcome to join our club. We meet every Friday at lunch in room E208, beginners welcome!

Kyle T. proudly displays his award.

Taking a break from the seriousness of the day: Matt F., Alina R., Brandon J., Kyle T., Andrew S., Ata A., Tyler L., Charlie Z., Conor T., Kelvin W., Oliver S., Connor I., Luc G., Marc S., Evan L.



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Ms. Maquignaz

CROSS COUNTRY

Amidst the blowing rain, hills, and mud puddles, the Rockridge Cross Country running team managed some fine finishes: Bronwen C. qualified for the BC's, Paolo V. placed 6th in his age group, and Demetri P. placed 8th in his age group. All athletes deserve to feel proud for completing the race!

This year's CC Team included Hamish K., William B., Carter A., Joe O., Demetri P., Gunho K., Paolo V., Celina R., Johanneke S., Marine B., Haley C., Gabriela R., Bronwen C., Brittany B., Sophie W., Ireland P., Qamara R., Tian X., Ilaria M., and Sebastian R.



Ms. Herman and Ms. Lambie**JUNIOR GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY**

This fall the junior girls had a fabulous season in the premier division. The team of seventeen including team manager Survana W. showed incredible dedication and commitment, getting up super early for 6 am practices in the rain with smiles plastered on their faces. Players ranged from experienced to

newbies who had never even held a stick, but the team gelled beautifully nonetheless. Besides working on core skills and fitness, the team worked hard to use communication to support each other in multi-player plays. The "triplets" Jenna, Vanessa and Chloe showed time and time again that spidey-senses combined with speed and attitude can move the ball with speed and accuracy. Tara T.'s dynamite hit sent opposing defenders scrambling to unsuccessfully block short corner plays. Maya S.'s solid skills and commendable attitude paid off when she maneuvered herself into a new forward position and wowed us all with her skills under pressure. Celeste P. proved herself a consistent leader, keeping the team warmed-up, stretched and motivated. Jamie B. glued the team together in the middle, providing solid support and dependable passes. Malia, Isabella, Jasmine, and Parisse kept the ball moving while Colette, Emma and Sienna provided solid defense with hard working Annika in goal. Special kudos goes to Fallon O., who made spectacular progress and played almost every position on the field. Lastly, but definitely not least, amazing work was shown by Audrey, our most energetic and optimistic player who kept us all laughing at every pass. A pivotal moment in the season was winning our pool in the annual West Van tournament. It was a season to remember and coaches Ms. Herman and Ms. Lambie can't wait for next year!

Ms. Langlois**BANTAM GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

Bantam Girls Volleyball had two teams this season and, with lots of practice and guidance from their fantastic Grade 12 coaches, all players showed AMAZING improvement through the Fall! The teams played in two tournaments and ended the season on a great note with Rockridge Red winning their final game against Sentinel and Rockridge Blue qualifying for the quarter finals! Blue played hard in their playoff match but lost to Handsworth Gold, who ended up winning the North Shore banner.



TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY

Student Reflections 2016



Jewel M., *Provence Marinaside Restaurant*

"I would like to have a career like this...part-time while I'm going to school and figuring out what I want to do. I learned my Auntie Lisa works very hard, is organized and has this place running smoothly. Without her, this place would not be so good."



Emmett M., *Mikita Production Services*

"I liked working independently, at home and getting to read interesting scripts. I learned what my Mom does when I'm at school."



Mark G., *Glance Technologies*

"This is a career for me because it is simple if you know what you are doing. It's fun, it allows you to learn new things about the world of business and it is a high-paying job. From this experience, I learned that I am good at problem-solving."



Ryan H., *Bowen Island Veterinary Services*

"I liked how there was a specific schedule...I knew exactly what I had to do. I learned that although this would not be my first choice (career), I am more interested in it now than before I tried it."

ROCKRIDGE REMEMBERS

Remembrance Day Ceremony, Thursday November 10, 2016

Each year, Rockridge students and staff organize the Remembrance Day assembly. This year's assembly featured an original poem and dramatized story about the Ayre family, who's four sons were killed on the same day in World War One. Acting 12 students wrote the poem and preformed the dramatization. The ceremony also included multiple musical pieces performed by the choir and the band. The school, local veterans, members of the community and representatives of the West Vancouver School District all took part in honouring those who served as well as those who were victims of war.



Connor I. and Sarah T. acted as MC's for the Ceremony.



The Rockridge Choir performed a stirring rendition of "After the War".

2016 CANADIAN INNOVATORS IN EDUCATION AWARDS

Congratulations to Rockridge and Gleneagles Ch'axay teacher-librarian **Ms. Michelle Davis** who, along with **Rockridge teachers Ms. Lisa Hetman and Ms. Parnaz Kashani** have been selected as the third-place prizewinners in the 2016 Canadian Innovators in Education Awards, sponsored by the Canadian Educators Association and Reader's Digest Magazine. These awards recognize innovative teaching practices in Canadian Schools. In addition to Rockridge staff, teachers from Caulfeild, Eagle Harbour and Gleneagles Ch'axay Elementary Schools participated in this collaboration.

Ms. Davis, Ms. Hetman, and Ms. Kashani have been recognized for their work in creating makerspaces in the Rockridge Learning Commons (the 21st Century version of the school library). Ms. Davis and her fellow teacher-librarian, Ms. Lillian Trousdell, have created this "library plus" model for Rockridge Secondary, which includes makerspaces.

Rockridge's makerspace resources to date include a 3-D printer, a green screen for filming, and a lego-wall. The lego wall has been particularly popular with students and classes. Recently, a Communications 12 class used the lego wall for an assignment called "What's Your Story?" Students interviewed a relative about a memorable experience in their lifetime and then created a visual representation of the story on the lego wall. Ms. Trousdell and Ms. Davis are now looking forward to adding resources to implement both robotics and sewing makerspaces over the course of the school year.



West Vancouver Schools' Premier Academies 2017-2018

West Vancouver Schools Premier Academy programs provide exciting opportunities for students to achieve excellence in a range of disciplines such as athletics, the arts and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) learning. Families with students entering grades 8-12 at any of our secondary schools are invited to join us for our Premier Academy Open Houses.

Please REGISTER online to attend an Open House session at <http://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies>

Premier Baseball Academy	Monday, January 16 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
Premier Tennis Academy	Monday, January 23 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
Premier Fencing Academy	Wednesday, January 25 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
Premier Mechatronics Robotics Academy	Thursday, January 26 6:00 – 7:00 pm West Vancouver Secondary Library
Premier Field Hockey Academy	Wednesday, February 1 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
CSSHL West Van Hockey Academy	Monday, February 6 6:00 – 7:00 pm Hollyburn Country Club
Premier Soccer Academy	Tuesday, February 7 Information Session 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323 Thursday, February 9 On-Field Assessment 1:30 – 3:00 pm Ambleside Fields
Premier Rugby Academy	Wednesday, February 15 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
Premier Ballet Academy	Thursday, February 16 6:00 – 7:00 pm Sentinel Secondary Rm 323
Premier Dance Academy	Thursday, February 23 6:00 – 7:00 pm WVSS Dance Studio (Kay Meek)
Premier Basketball Academy	Wednesday, March 29 Basketball Information Sessions: Basketball Development Academy Gr. 8 & 9: 6:30-7:15 pm Basketball BC North Shore Regional Training Center Gr 9-12: 7:30-8:15 pm WVSS School Library Basketball Try-Outs: Development Academy: April 5 from 6:30 – 7:15 pm Basketball BC North Shore Regional Training Centre: April 6 from 6:30 – 7:15 pm WVSS Gymnasium

COURSE PLANNING

In January, we begin the important course selection and planning process. Students will be given information during Collaboration blocks and course selection will be completed by students during these sessions. It is essential that students attend the general information sessions during Collaboration blocks.

1. Students attend course selection information sessions during Collaboration blocks
2. Students speak individually to teachers about next year course selections and expectations
3. Counsellors will visit individual classes to provide further information and have students complete a course selection sheet
4. If questions still remain:
 - A. Contact counsellors only if needed about program requirements (Graduation, etc.) and post-secondary school pre-requisites
 - B. Speak to the appropriate individuals about specialty programs such as AP (your AP teachers and Mr. McDowell, counsellor), Super Achievers (Mr. Crowley), and Academies (Mr. McDowell or Mr. Crowley)
5. Research, research, research! Look at Post-Secondary programs online, etc.

Parent Information Session Dates and Times:

Parents of students enrolling in Grades 8 – 12 for the school year 2017—2018 are invited to attend course planning sessions. Please note that these sessions are designed for parents only and not intended for students.

Grades	Date and Time			Location
Grade 7 into 8	Tuesday	January 10	6:30 pm	Player's Hall
Grade 8 into 9 Grade 9 into 10	Wednesday	January 25	6:30pm	Library
Grade 10 into 11 Grade 11 into 12			6:30pm	Player's hall
AP General Info Session			7:30pm	

The agenda for these Sessions includes:

- An overview of the Core and elective courses available.
- An explanation of the graduation requirements.
- Information regarding our specialty programmes.

You will also have an opportunity to ask questions.



Grade 7 Student Orientation:

We will be hosting a grade 7 orientation for students on Tue, Jan 24th from 8:45 am to 10:30 am. Caulfeild, Gleneagles and West Bay Elementary Schools will be arranging for transport of their grade 7 classes to Rockridge for this event. BICS Elementary students will be visiting in the spring.

COURSE PLANNING

Student Information and Selection Session dates

Grade	Course Information session	Course Selection Session
Grade 8 into 9	Thu., Jan 26th Collaboration block	Thu., Feb 23rd Collaboration block
Grade 9 into 10	Thu., Jan 26th Collaboration block	Thu., Feb 23rd Collaboration block
Grade 10 into 11	Thu., Feb 9th Collaboration block	Tue-Wed, Feb 21st and 22nd in English Classes
Grade 11 into 12	Fri., Feb 17th—Mon., Feb 20th in English Classes	Mon-Tue, Mar 6th and 7th in English Classes

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Please Join Us For Our

Information Evening for Parents of All

Prospective Grade 8 Students

Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

Welcome Remarks by Mrs. Jeannette Laursoo, Principal,
Mr. John Crowley, Vice-Principal, and
Mrs. Sue Maquignaz, Counsellor

Agenda

Rockridge Secondary School and its Specialty Programmes
Grade 8 Curriculum, Timetabling, and Registration Process
Making a Successful Transition to High School
Participating in Extra-curricular Activities

Student-led Tours of the School

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Parents/Guardians:

Over the holidays, we would appreciate your assistance by completing the District Policies and Procedures form for your child(ren) attending Rockridge Secondary: <https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Account/Login?rr=Form/PandP>. If you have completed this already, we thank you. If you have not yet completed this form, please know that West Vancouver School District requires every student have a completed form. This important online form includes parent and student permissions of:

- Student Code of Conduct and Discipline
- District Network and Internet Appropriate Use
- Privately Owned Electronic Devices Appropriate Use
- Use of Website Applications Outside British Columbia - Parental Consent
- Media, Digital Media, and Video Release - Parental Consent
- Community Activities Release Parental Consent
- Consent of Release Permission
- B.C. School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program
- Google Apps for Education Consent

WEATHER CLOSURE PROCEDURES

As winter approaches, the likelihood of school disruptions due to snowfall or power outages increases.

The West Vancouver School District will try to keep schools open on every regular instructional day, including those with snowfall.

Weather Closure of Schools (Outside School Hours)

Any decision to close schools for the safety of children will be made by the Superintendent.

Parents, students, and staff will be informed of the Superintendent's decision to close schools via:

- the school district website at www.wvschools.ca and
- a Synrevoice email

We will endeavour to communicate this information to parents

Weather Closure of Schools (During School Hours)

If weather conditions create a concern for the safety of students returning home, the school principal can decide to dismiss school early after consulting with the Superintendent.

The decision will be communicated to parents and students using the school's normal communication systems (e.g. a Synrevoice message, email).

Student safety is our first priority. Every effort will be made to keep West Vancouver School District schools open, but parents are encouraged to establish a plan for their children in the event of early dismissal or school closure.

As always, please refer to www.wvschools.ca for the latest information.

Santa's Breakfast—Early Dismissal

Bell Schedule for December 16, 2016

Period	Times
Santa's Breakfast	8:00-8:30
First Period	8:30-9:14
Second Period	9:14-10:47
Third Period	10:47-12:00
School Bus Student Dismissal	11:30
Student Dismissal	12:00

Upcoming Events for January 2017

January 3	School Reopens
January 10	Grade 7 Parent Info Evening
January 19	Parent Teacher Conferences
January 20	Professional Development Day No School
January 24	Grade 7s visit from feeder schools
January 25	Course Planning Evening for the 2017-2018 school year for those students presently in grades 8-11

A NOTE REGARDING THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR—JUNE 2017

The last day of classes will be held on Thursday, June 22nd. Please note that the English 12 Provincial Exam will be held on Friday, June 23rd. Friday, June 23rd and Monday, June 26th are allocated to final course work and graduation requirement completion. Student attendance is optional. Optional instructional opportunities will also be available for students in Grades 8-12 on Tuesday, June 27th and Wednesday, June 28th. Additional information regarding specific instructional opportunities will be provided as we near the end of the school year. Furthermore, there will be year-end activities for students until June 29th, such as Awards Assemblies and report card distribution.