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January 8th, 2018

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CALENDAR UPDATE	
Jan	Event
9	6:30-7:30 pm Grade 7 Parent Information Evening
22	8:45-10:00 am Grade 7 students visit from Feeder Schools

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a restful holiday break full of family time, relaxation and fun. I am thrilled to be the new principal of Rockridge Secondary and look forward to meeting many of you in the coming months. Developing positive relationships with all stakeholders will be my priority; please do not hesitate to contact me or introduce yourself when you are at the school. From my visits to Rockridge thus far, I can already sense this is a great school. The teachers are very passionate, dedicated educators and the students have been so welcoming. I look forward to supporting the wonderful work underway. I wish you all a happy 2018!

Judy Duncan

COLLABORATION BLOCK – January 11th, 2018

Grade 8

Students will meet in Players Hall for a presentation from the [Odd Squad](#). Speakers will present drug addiction awareness. This powerful presentation details the unnecessary risks that are taken when youth engage in substance use. A former West Vancouver student will weave his personal story into this presentation. For further information, please visit: <https://www.oddsquad.com/presentations/drug-education/>

Grade 9

Students will meet in the Learning Commons for a presentation from [Reach Out Psychosis](#). Students are part of the show when they participate in this high-energy, interactive and entertaining presentation, which provides life-saving brain science while countering stereotypes and misinformation around mental illness. For further information, please visit: <http://www.reachoutpsychosis.com/>

2018-2019 COURSE PLANNING INFORMATION SESSIONS - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18TH.

Beginning at 6:30 pm, parents are invited to attend information sessions in the library for students entering grades 9 and 10, and a simultaneous session in Player's Hall for those students entering grades 11 and 12. An Advanced Placement information session will follow at 7:30 pm in Player's Hall. The

agenda for these sessions includes overview of the core and elective courses offered, description of graduation requirements, and information regarding our specialty programmes.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES - Thursday, January 25, 2018, 1 – 4 pm & 6 – 8 pm:

Go to the website (<http://rss.schoolappointments.com>) and click on the "REGISTER" menu tab and create an account. Then login and add your students to the system.

After your students have been entered you will be able to schedule an appointment immediately by clicking the button beside each student's name and then selecting the teachers you would like to schedule appointments with (maximum of five appointments per student). After selecting the teachers from the list, click the "View Calendars" button to see their calendars. Select an available time slot for each teacher, click it and then click the "Book Appointments" button to save your selections. Repeat this for each student.

Sections of the teacher's calendars that are black are not available for booking as the teacher has another commitment at that time. Sections of the calendars that are coloured burgundy are time slots that you as a parent are already booked for other appointments. You will only see burgundy sections when booking appointments for a second or third child. If no appointments are available, click on the call back button at the top of the list. When you are finished you can view your appointments from the "PROFILE" tab by selecting "View Appointments". You can also print your appointments from the view appointments screen.

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:

- **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/Form/PandP>

STUDENT RELEASE FORMS

We ask that parents complete and return these forms to the school so that we can complete our Emergency Preparedness plan. Student Release Forms were distributed to students during the first week.

STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS

We ask that parents sign and return 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**