### HIGHLANDER HAPPENINGS

### **GRADE 8 NEWSLETTER**

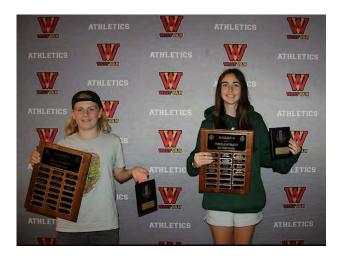


JUNE - VOLUME 10

GRADE 8s! Congratulations! Completing your first year of high school is a milestone in itself!

It has been such a pleasure working with you this year! Watching you build new friendships, take on fresh challenges, and grow into confident Highlanders has been truly inspiring. Wishing you a fantastic summer and continued success ahead!







August 25-29: Please check and restock your school supplies if necessary

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**September 2:** First day of school - modified schedule (more information to come)

September 3: First day of full day classes

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### **Athletic Awards**

**GRADE 8 ATHLETES OF THE YEAR:** 

**SEAVER BAX & SYDNEY CAMERON** 

Volleyball: (Red) MVPs: Zoe Cook

Vista Erfani

Parnia Hamidian

Volleyball: (Black) MVP: Arina Saleh

Most Improved: Sydney Cameron

**Team Spirit: Serena Munnis** 

Girls Basketball: MVP: Sidney Cameron

Best Offensive Player: Rylee Plested
Best Defensive Player: Valentina Varas

Boys Basketball: MVP: Tristan Bourchier

Most Improved: Jordan Chung Breakout Player: Salar Sarbazi

Wrestling: Rookie of the Year: Hoomaan Ghaderi

Track and Field: Rory Nagai

Rugby: MVP: Jude Wetland

Top Back: Radwan Chemali

Mountain Biking: Pierre Hungr Gonzalez & Simon Hungr Gonzalez

Hockey: Rookie of the Year: Min Soo Kim

## **Music and Dance Night**





Ms. Shin is celebrated with bouquets of flowers for her final performance before retirement.







Thank you to Mr. Daudlin, Ms. Fulla and Ms. Shin for their incredible effort preparing students for this evening of music and dance!



## Film and Animation Night

The Film Showcase is an opportunity to celebrate the work of Media 8, Media 9, Animation 11/12, and Film 11/12 students through a collection of outstanding films and animations.



A huge thank you to Mr. Zimmerman for his amazing work with students across all grade levels!



## **Scooby Doo Production**

Shaggy, Daphne, Fred, Velma, and Scooby hit the stage in this liveaction adaptation of the beloved cartoon, but this time they're under threat of an evil ghost's curse: disband or be haunted forever!





Using their Theatre Company skills, the students wrote, produced, and organized this entire adaptation, including booking the KMC, on their own. A huge congratulations to the crew, and THANK YOU to Ms. Hoyak for her incredible support and guidance!





# Food Truck Friday and....

### **Cravings Kettle Corn**





### **Mom's Grilled Cheese**





**REEL Mac and Cheese and Gourmet Hot Dogs** 





# ... end of year Carnaval!

**Face Painting** 



**Rock band playing** 



Student Council handing out freezies and lemonade!



Mr. Foote

### Staff in the Dunk Tank!

**Ms. Towers** 





Mr. Lee





Mr. Walton



**Born and raised:** Ladysmith BC - a small town on Vancouver Island.

#### Post secondary education route:

University of Victoria: Kinesiology and Education

UBC: Master of Education in Curriculum and Pedagogy in Physical Education, Recreation and Outdoor education.

### Teaching assignment this year:

Full time Physical and Health Education Teacher

#### Favourite genre of books:

Historical fiction - Favourite books are The Nightingale and The Women by Kristen Hannah.





#### Most adventurous things done:

Backpacked India for 3 months and spent a month in Dharamsala where the Dalai Lama lives. Hiked to the top of Mt. Snowdon - the highest peak in Wales.

#### Dream travel destination:

Bora Bora and French Polynesia

Favourite food: Mexican

#### **Favourite sports/activities:**

Watch my children play their sports most weekends, enjoy watching F1 racing, trail running, biking, reading and baking.

**Fun Facts**: I have ran 20 ½ marathons and completed one marathon.