

BROOKS BROADCAST



STUDENT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER:

November 16, 2020

DATES TO NOTE THIS WEEK

Monday, November 16	Last day of Term 1 Students 4 Change Gr10-12 12:30-1:10 (D131)
Tuesday, November 17	First Day of Term 2 No Cafeteria service
Wednesday, November 18	Stu Crew Gr 8/9 11:45-12:15 (E02) Gr 10-12 12:30-1:00 (D09) 3:30pm Mountain Bike Club Ride (Mr. Bratseth) Post Secondary BC Virtual Fair, 2:00-5:00pm https://postsecondarybcvirtualfair.easyvirtualfair.com
Thursday, November 19	No Cafeteria service Post Secondary BC Virtual Fair, 3:00-6:00pm https://postsecondarybcvirtualfair.easyvirtualfair.com
Friday, November 20	12:30 Environment Club Gr 10-12 C123

DATES TO NOTE NEXT WEEK

Monday, November 23	Students 4 Change Gr10-12 12:30-1:10 (D131)
Tuesday, November 24	Cafeteria service
Wednesday, November 25	Stu Crew Gr 8/9 11:45-12:15 (E02) Gr 10-12 12:30-1:00 (D09) 3:30pm Mountain Bike Club Ride (Mr. Bratseth)
Thursday, November 26	Post Secondary Virtual Advisor Day. Report Card Day.
Friday, November 27	12:30 Environment Club Gr 10-12 C123



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The pandemic continues to impact our way of life including how we recognize Remembrance Day as a school community. As with previous events like Graduation, our staff came up with a safe and respectful way to reflect, thank, and remember those that have lost their lives serving our country. Thank you this week goes out to everyone involved in the creation of the virtual Remembrance Day Assembly. If you didn't get a chance to pause and watch the pre-recorded video please feel free to view it here <https://youtu.be/qM-GJsQUHGk>. As I look ahead to this week I recognize that tomorrow is a significant event as it marks the beginning of a new term. I want to take a moment and thank everyone for doing your part to get us this far. We achieved our two primary goals of keeping everyone safe, and supported student personalized learning. I am proud of our staff and students for reaching these goals for the first quarter. Along with following our safety protocols, we have made it through the first term of the Grade 8 & 9 linear schooling and the Grade 10,11, & 12s quarter system. The initial feedback from our teachers points to the fact that students are being successful in their studies. As with all new beginnings it's important to have a renewal to our commitments ahead of a new start. Please continue to do your part in keeping everyone safe and use this term to continue to take steps in your learning.

TERM 1 REPORT CARDS

Just a reminder that Term 1 report cards will be posted on the MyEd portal on Thursday, November 26, 2020. We will also be printing the reports and making them available to be sent home as well.

CAFETERIA GETS READY FOR TERM 2

Our cafeteria will be closed this week as the new future chef students are starting their course. The plan this term is to start up on the week of the 23rd and look at more of a daily service. Thank you for all of your support.

<https://brookscounsellingblog.weebly.com/blog>



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NEW COHORTS FOR TERM 2

The beginning of term 2 signals in some cases the start of new classes, teachers, and classmates. Keeping safety at the forefront I want to encourage everyone to use this transition to take extra steps to keeping yourself safe as some Grades will be migrating into new classes. My recommendation for the next week is for those that have new classes to be vigilant with hand-hygiene, wear your mask all the time, and socially distance when outside of your cohort. Here's what to expect for cohorts in Term 2:

- a. NO CHANGE: Grade 8 (full English stream)
- b. NO CHANGE: Grade 9 **will review as numbers change*
- c. NO CHANGE: Grade 8/9 French Immersion
- d. NO CHANGE: Grade 10
- e. TERM 2 NEW: Grade 11 in-person (all English + French Immersion)
- f. TERM 2 NEW: Grade 11 (all Francophone)
- g. TERM 2 NEW: Grade 12 (all students in-person)
- h. TERM 2 NEW: Grade 10/11/12 Cooks Training + Explore

GRADE 8 & 9 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS DECEMBER 2, 2020

Classes will not be in session for Grades 8 and 9 students on December 2, 2020 to afford teachers time to connect with parents from their two classes that day through Zoom or on the phone. We cancelled our early dismissal days planned for October 21, 2020 and March 17, 2021 because we are limiting access to our building due to the pandemic.

Note: Grade 10, 11, 12 classes are not part of this plan. Therefore those classes will run as usual those days.

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

<u>Grades 8 & 9 School Schedule</u> P1: 9:00 am - 10:20 am Break 10:20 am - 10:25 am P2: 10:25 am - 11:45 am Lunch 11:45 am - 12:25 pm P3: 12:25 pm - 1:45 pm Break 1:45 pm - 1:50 pm P4: 1:50 pm - 3:10 pm	<u>Grades 10 – 12 School Schedule</u> Period 1: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Lunch 12:30 pm – 1:10 pm Period 2: 1:10 pm – 3:20 pm	<u>The School Terms Lengths</u> Term 1: Sept 10 – Nov 16 Term 2 : Nov 17 - Feb 1 Term 3: Feb 2 – Apr 23 Term 4: Apr 26 – June 29
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BROOKS PAC INFORMATION

2020/2021 Executive: President: Kate Boyd; Secretary: Jody Dendewicz; Treasurer: Michelle Kirk; DPAC Rep: Jaclyn Miller (DPAC President); Member at Large: Brendan Behan.

Our next PAC meeting is Tuesday, January 12, 2020 at 7:00pm via Zoom: Meeting ID: 694 3909 0797 Passcode: 175153 <https://sd47powellriver.zoom.us/j/69439090797?pwd=U25hVm1MSXhlNHVvZXBXdzNueTlyQT09>. Here is our upcoming schedule for this year: December (no meeting); January 12, 2021; February 9, 2021; March (no meeting); April 13, 2021; May 11, 2021; June 8, 2021

DRY GRAD SOCIETY INFORMATION

2020/2021 Executive: Volunteers as follows: Chair - Jennifer Frost, Co-chair - Sharon Brown, Treasurer - Aaron Reid & Cindy Butler (shared), Secretary - Laurie Andrews

GRADUATION PLANNING 2021

We have started having informal conversations regarding the timing and format for the 2021 Brooks Graduation Ceremony. The intent is to learn from last year, continue with the best parts and make a few improvements where possible. My hope is that we have a confirmed plan to be shared out to everyone by December 1, 2020. Stay tuned for more information.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Please visit our Counselling suite or webpage for all current scholarship details. To date we have the Schulich and Cmolik nomination forms available. Nomination forms are due Jan 15th for the Sculich Leader Scholarship and Jan 24th for the Cmolik Scholarship.



POST SECONDARY INFORMATION

COMPLETE VIU COURSES WHILE AT BROOKS

All of VIU 100 level courses are open for dual credit entry. This includes IT, Business Management, Economics, Arts, Sciences, and much more. Please see Mrs. Larkin or Mr. Brach for more information. Students need to apply ASAP for dual credit courses starting in January 2021. Spaces are first come first serve and the VIU application window closes Dec 9, 2020.

Please review: Areas of study search: <https://www.viu.ca/programs/areas-study> and <https://isapp.viu.ca/srs/timetable.htm>

MEET WITH: NIC, VIU, UVIC, CAMOSUN ADVISORS

Join recruiters from NIC, VIU, UVic and Camosun College to learn more about post-secondary options on Vancouver Island on November 26, 2020.

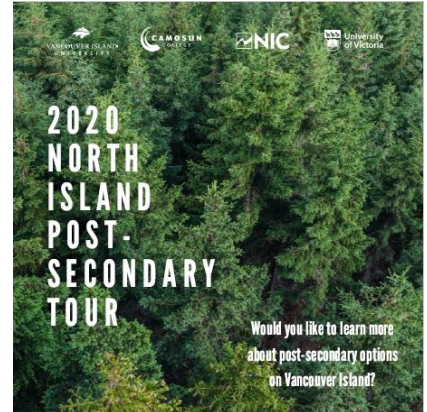
Program pathways, partnership agreements, and tips for transfer students. The live virtual presentation will also include information on how to navigate the post-secondary landscape in BC and on Vancouver Island along with the resources and supports that will help inform your post-secondary decisions.

Two session times are available:

Session 1: 3:30 - 5 pm OR Session 2: 7-8:30 pm

For more information: futurestudents@nic.bc.ca

To register: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/So06n85>



UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 Grade 8 & 9 Parent Teacher interviews (no Grade 8 & 9 classes)



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