

BROOKS BROADCAST MARCH

THE WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER:

March 8, 2021

DATES TO NOTE THIS WEEK

Monday, March 8

Tuesday, March 9

Wednesday, March 10

Thursday, March 11

Friday, March 12

Student Learning Surveys (Grades 10, 12 all week)

International Women's Day

Course Selection Completed for all Brooks students.

Term 3 Interim Week (Gr 10-12)

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DATES TO NOTE NEXT WEEK

Monday, March 15

Tuesday, March 16

Wednesday, March 17

Thursday, March 18

Friday, March 19

St. Patrick's Day

Stu-Crew School spirit day

Last Day before Spring Break



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A big thank you to those of you that have completed your course selection for the next school year. What is most important about this process is that the student choices drive our schedule and options. Parents can review the selections by logging into the MyEd Parent portal <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do> and click under the Requests tab on the left menu. For any students that are new, cross-enrolled, or have a different primary school, they should have also completed the selection on paper with one of our counsellors and these requests will also appear on the portal. If your course selection is not completed I would encourage you to do this as soon as possible to give you the best chance for your getting the courses you're hoping for next year. If you're receiving this and have a son/daughter wants to register to Brooks for September 2021, please connect with the main office over the next few weeks to ensure you're registered and have a seat in the school. Please note also that our course selections for current Grade 7's, is planned for just after Spring Break. Please stay connected.

MYEDUCATION PARENT PORTAL: <https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>

MYEDUCATION PARENT PORTAL INFO: [https://www.sd47.bc.ca/school/brooks/Parents/myed/Pages/default.aspx#/=](https://www.sd47.bc.ca/school/brooks/Parents/myed/Pages/default.aspx#/)

SPORTS / INDIVIDUAL SKILLS

If you are interested in any of these activities we are offering for our students please connect with the staff member listed. Please note that safety measures have been put in place. The focus is on keeping students active through skill training. No formal games.

• Cross Country	Mr. Rice/Mr. Cocksedge	Tues/Thurs	3:30 pm Outside gym doors
• Track and Field	Mr. Glaspey/Mr. Miller	Mon /Thurs	3:45 pm at the Track
• Soccer	Mr. Miller	Mon /Wed	3:45 pm On the Turf
• Tennis	Mrs. Leach	Monday	3:30 pm Brooks Gym to start
• Golf	Mr. Austin	TBA	After Spring Break
• Mountain Bike	Mr. Bratseth	Wednesdays	After Spring Break
• Rugby Skills	Mr. Hilleren	TBA	After Spring Break

CLUB INFORMATION

• Students 4 Change	Mrs. Kennedy	Mondays-Gr 10-12	12:30-1:10 pm in D131
• Environmental Club	Mr. Dyck	Mondays – Gr 8,9	11:45 pm in C123
• Interact Club:	Ms. Bangham	2 nd Tues of Month	@ Lunch in D140



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- Stu Crew * Mrs. Ellis Wed-Gr 8/9 11:45 – 12:15 in E02
- Stu Crew * Mrs. McSween Wed-Gr 10-12 12:30 – 1:00 in D09
- GSA Ms. Dunlop Thursday 12:35-1:05 pm (TBA)
- Graduation Committee Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Larkin Thursday 3:30 – 4:00 pm in the Great Hall

BROOKS COUNSELLING BLOG

Here's the link to our counsellor's blog – new entries every two weeks! <https://brookscounsellingblog.weebly.com/blog>

FLAGS LOWERED FOR COVID-19

On Friday March 5, 2021 all flags at schools across BC were flown at half-mast to acknowledge the one-year anniversary of the World Health Organization declaring COVID-19 a pandemic and in memory of all the British Columbians whose lives have been lost due to COVID-19.

SD47 SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS / BURSARIES



It is that time of the year again, scholarships and bursary applications are now available in the front office for all SD47 students!
Deadline to apply is: April 9, 2021 – 3:30 pm (No Exceptions)

HINTS WEBSITE RESOURCE

HINTS (Help Invest Now Toward a Safer School): Students can leave anonymous tips about concerns with school safety through the website at any time: <https://www.sd47.bc.ca/school/brooks/Pages/Tips.aspx#/>

STU-CREW SPONSORED THEME DAYS AT BROOKS

Here's the list of the upcoming theme days planned for the rest of the year. Be sure to put these on your calendar.

March 19 School Spirit Day **April 16** Book Day **April 30** Plaid/Jeans Day **May 4** Star Wars Day
May 14 Hoodie Day **May 28** Crazy Hat/Sock Day **June 11** Crazy Hair Day **June 25** Sunglasses Day

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, April 13, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom.
Here is our upcoming schedule for this year: March (no meeting); April 13, 2021; May 11, 2021, June 8, 2021.

EVENTS FOR GRADUATION 2021

1. **SD47 Graduation Ceremony** – June 28, 2021 (Monday) – Held at the Max Cameron Theatre in Brooks Secondary School. The fee includes cost for keepsake Cap & Gown and swag bag \$60.00 Payable by cash or cheque (Brooks Secondary) at the Brooks main office.
2. **The Dry Grad Event** June 26, 2021 (Saturday) – Will occur outside of school hours – co-ordinated by parents/students and is not a school run event - \$125.00 payable to Brooks Thunderbird Dry Grad Society – includes a hoodie and other fun extras. Please contact Jen Frost 604-414-5363 or Sharon Brown for more information 604-485-9675 for more information.
3. **Grad 2021 Gear** – A student based initiative that was emailed to parents on March 2nd. This is for any grads wishing to buy additional Grad 2021 wear and is not associated with either event or group above.

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. Next Dry Grad meeting is Tuesday, March 9 at 7:30 pm.
<https://sd47powellriver.zoom.us/j/67049907983?pwd=SElrd0FTdjEzL09XUFhRc08yVjE1Zz09> Meeting ID: 670 4990 7983 Passcode: 182186

GRADUATION PLANNING 2021 – GRAD COMMITTEE 2021



Grade 12's interested in joining the 2021 Grad Committee can attend our bi-weekly meetings at Brooks Secondary School, on Thursdays at 3:30pm.

- If you have more questions please reach out to Mrs. Ellis or Mrs. Larkin. Graduation is scheduled for Monday June 28, 2021 at the Max Cameron Theatre. Students will be crossing the stage wearing a cap and gown with their families in the audience. Students will choose their times in groups of 4 between 11 am – 6 pm.



- Graduates please email your baby photos to brooksggradbabyphotos2021@gmail.com by March 19, 2021 for the baby photo slide show.
- The grad committee would like to include photos of the graduating students from pre-school to grade 12. They are primarily looking for group photos (photos with your fellow grads), however single photos also accepted. Email photos to brooksmemories2021@gmail.com
- All graduates and families should have received an email requesting information for grad. If you did not receive the email please see Mrs. Larkin.

POST SECONDARY INFORMATION



VIU: NEW! Recruitment Zoom Drop-In:

VIU Recruitment will be hosting a Zoom drop-in.

- **Wednesdays** between **10:00 am – 2:00 pm** and get your questions answered in a one-on-one session with a Recruitment Officer. Click here to join: <https://viu.zoom.us/j/66608020912?pwd=TU5QL1ZXTW9EMkwwd293RUtJaXlqZz09> (Password: 441587 | Meeting ID: 666 0802 0912) : It's not too late to register for one of our remaining information sessions. Click on the Zoom links below to register:
- **Future Student Parent Night**
Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. - https://viu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_V7yQeRDOS-qaARjxukYAdA
- For any and all information and updates please visit: <https://events.viu.ca/information-sessions>. All current and future information sessions are available here, don't miss out.

VIU Engineering:

- With so much Dual Credit interest around Engineering, VIU's Science and Tech Dept. will be hosting an information session focused on Engineering. There are courses in the Engineering stream for the Integrated Engineering Technologist Diploma (<https://www.viu.ca/programs/science-and-technology/integrated-engineering-technologist-diploma>) such as Engineer Designing, and Computer Science that could be taken by a student who has completed Pre Calculus 12 and Physics 12. **Date and time: Thursday, March 11th, 630-730 PM PST.** <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/viu-engineering-programs-tickets-142018698751>

Camosun College



- The countdown to CamWeek 2021 at Camosun College is on! Over the 3-nights there will be MULTIPLE presentations from programs within the Centre for Sport & Exercise Education, School of Access, School of Arts & Science, School of Business, School of Health & Human Services and School of Trades & Technology. The schedule will vary each night so that students have the option to attend multiple sessions. There will be an opportunity to live chat with an Admissions officer each night.
- The CamWeek website has been updated to include all of the programs that will be providing presentations! The schedule is live. You can plan which sessions you want to attend.

North Island College (NIC)



Will be offering the following program options that are tuition-free to eligible applicants (Fall 2021 and Spring 2022).

- Parts and Warehouse Person Foundation On-campus (Campbell River) and Digital (Blended)
- Fundamental for GIS Mapping and Drone Operations On-campus (Campbell River) and Digital (Blended)
- Motion Picture Production Assistant Digital
- **NEW!!** Motion Picture Craft Services Micro-credential – Digital with *optional* Occupational First Aid Level 3 delivered in person

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

March 19, 2021	Last day before Spring Break
April 7, 2021	Classes resume after Spring Break
April 12 – 14, 2021	Provincial Graduation Assessments (Literacy 10, Numeracy 10)
April 12 – 16, 2021	Grad Photos
April 23, 2021	Last Day of Term 3



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BROOKS SCHEDULE

<p><u>Grades 8 & 9 School Schedule</u></p> <p>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</p>	<p><u>Grades 10 – 12 School Schedule</u></p> <p>Period 1: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Lunch 12:30 pm – 1:10 pm Period 2: 1:10 pm – 3:20 pm</p>	<p><u>The School Terms Lengths</u></p> <p>Term 1: Sept 10 – Nov 16 Term 2 : Nov 17 - Feb 1 Term 3: Feb 2 – Apr 23 Term 4: Apr 26 – June 29</p>
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The BC Centre for Disease Control has a helpful new online resource for BC's education community: <http://www.bccdc.ca/schools>

School COVID-19 Information



Popular Links

- [K-12 Health Checker app](#) >
- [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) >
- [Personal Impacts of COVID-19 \(PICS\) Survey](#) >
- [FAQs for Parents and Students \(PDF\)](#) >
- [FAQs for Staff \(PDF\)](#) >
- [BC Centre for Disease Control](#) >

