



# S.W.A.G. Student Week at a Glance

## Monday Jan. 2nd – Friday Jan. 6th, 2017

Mon. Jan. 2nd:		School not in session.
Tues. Jan. 3rd:	8:57am 9:10am Lunch Lunch	Welcome Back! Students go to TAG classes School-wide Assembly (15 minutes) Peer Tutoring in C123 – see Ms. Bakker Compassion Project Mtg – C122
Wed. Jan. 4th:	Lunch Lunch	GSTA Meeting – D134 (Textiles Room) Grad Committee Mtg – E03
Thur. Jan. 5th:	Lunch Lunch Lunch 2:00pm	Stu Crew Mtg. – E02/E03 – see Ms. Ellis Peer Tutoring in C123 – see Ms. Bakker Interact Club Mtg in D140 – see Ms. Rawnsley Sr. Boys' Basketball vs Timberline
Fri. Jan. 6th:	Lunch	Yearbook Club Mtg – C122

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### THUNDERBIRD HAPPENINGS:

**Adjustments for 2017** – Based on some of the feedback we have received from students, parents and staff members we will be making a few adjustments to our schedule starting on Tuesday Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

- **Start Time / End Time** – we will push our official start time back 2 minutes from 8:55am to 8:57am. We feel this will mesh better with some of the last buses that arrive at school each morning. Our day will then end at 3:15pm instead of 3:13pm.
- **Changes to TAG** – TAG has been shortened to 10 minutes per day Monday – Thursday. The additional 25 minutes of instructional time will be placed back into scheduled classes as indicated on the attachment.

**Re-establishing Routines** – The start of a new year is an excellent time to re-establish good routines at school. Here are some reminders for students and parents:

- **Student Planner Use** – Consistent use of Student Planners is an excellent tool for our students to stay organized and to help them become more successful at school. TAG teachers and classroom teachers will be strongly encouraging effective Planner use and we hope that parents will as well.
- **Open Centre Use** – Our students in Grades 10, 11 and 12 will have some time in their schedule dedicated to Open Centres. These are not 'spares' or 'free blocks'. This is time built into their weekly schedule where they have some choice and flexibility on what they need to work on. There are a number of Centres to choose from. Students who are having difficulty using this time

wisely may have their choice taken away and will be placed in a locked-in schedule. If parents have questions about Open Centres and their use please contact Mr. Burt, Ms. Gunn or Ms. Kennedy. A list of expectations is attached.

- Communication Between Home & School – Communication directly with teachers is still one of the most effective ways to support students. Email is one of the most efficient ways to do this. For a complete list of our staff members school district email information please click [HERE](#) Also, please ensure the Student Contact Information we have on file for your child is up to date. You can do this by contacting our Office Manager, Mrs. Gable, at: [Heidi.Gable@sd47.bc.ca](mailto:Heidi.Gable@sd47.bc.ca)

**Exam & Assessment Week** – Our Semester #1 “Exam & Assessment Week” will run from Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday January 27<sup>th</sup>. The Exam Schedule will be finalized and published this week. Students will be responsible for finding out where and when their exams or assessments are. If they do not have something scheduled they do not need to come to school. School buses will run on their regular schedules.

### COMING EVENTS

Tuesday	Jan. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8:55am	School re-opens
		9:10am	School-wide Assembly in Gym
Friday	Jan. 6	TBA	Banff Film Festival
Saturday	Jan. 7	TBA	Banff Film Festival
Tuesday	Jan. 10	TBA	Jr. Boys Basketball vs Isfeld
Friday	Jan. 13	10:00am	Jazz Performance for interested Gr. 8/9 classes
		7:00pm	Jazz Dinner
Tuesday	Jan. 17	7:00pm	PAC Meeting
Wednesday	Jan. 18	7:00pm	Dual Credit Info Night at MC Theatre
Thursday	Jan. 19	6:30pm	School Dance
Friday	Jan. 20 <sup>th</sup>		Last day of Term #2
Monday Jan. 23 – Friday Jan. 27			Exam / Assessment Week – schedule to be posted
Monday	Jan. 30		Semester #2 Begins
Friday	Feb. 10		Pro D Day
Monday	Feb. 13		BC Family Day
Tuesday	Feb. 14		Grad Photos begin (run until Feb. 16)
Wednesday	Feb. 15	10:15am	ICBC Road Sense Speaker for all Gr. 11s and Gr. 12s
Thursday	Feb. 16	3:00pm	Term #2 Report Cards distributed to students
Friday	Feb. 17	9:00am	PR Film Fest Screening at MC Theatre
Monday	Feb. 20	TBA	P.A.R.T.Y. Program – Grade 11s
Tuesday	Feb. 21	TBA	P.A.R.T.Y. Program – Grade 11s
Wednesday	Feb. 22	TBA	P.A.R.T.Y. Program – Grade 11s
Wednesday	Mar. 1	10:20am	School-wide Recognition Assembly #2
Friday	Mar. 3		Interim Reports Mailed Home
Friday	Mar. 10		Last day before Spring Break
Monday	Mar. 27		School re-opens