

BROOKS BROADCAST

JANUARY

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR BROOKS STUDENTS AND FAMILIES:

January 3, 2022

DATES TO NOTE THIS WEEK

Monday, January 3, 2022

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

Thursday, January 6, 2022

Friday, January 7, 2022

Last day of Winter break (*no school*)

School re-opens from Winter break.

Peer Tutoring at lunch F12

Stu-Crew Meeting at lunch

Tabletop Games club

Peer Tutoring at lunch D130

GSA Meeting at Lunch

Day 2: C1, C2, D2, Lunch, B2, A2

Environmental Club Meeting at lunch



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope everyone is enjoying the start of the winter break. If you've forgotten something at school or need to connect with us over the break our office hours are listed below. Looking ahead to January we will be balancing the end of semester 1 and the start of semester 2. For students in Grades 10, 11, and 12 we will be wrapping up all courses and preparing for the new semester. The increases in our school's enrollment keep coming as we have approximately 45 new registrations starting in the new semester. To accommodate these, we have added new sections of courses with seats left in Theatre production, Set Construction, Workplace Math 10, Physical Education 10, English 10, Foundations of Math 11. Along with the new courses, we have some notable ones that still have seats in them include Economics 12, Physical Geography 12, Soccer Skills 11-12, Environmental Science 11, and many others. Students who are interested in making changes to semester 2 timetable please contact your counsellor when we return in January. Our plan is to hand out semester 2 schedules to all Grade 10-12 students after the first week back which will give time for anyone that needs changes to have them ahead of the first day of classes. Having said that, parents and students that have MyEd Parent-Portal access can view semester 2 schedules anytime. I want to wish each of you a wonderful holiday season. Happy New Year and I hope that 2022 will be filled with health and happiness for us all.

FLEXIBLE TIME AT BROOKS – REQUEST FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Thank you to the families that have already reached out directly to me. Our staff would like to offer flexible time on a regular basis and want to share out our schedule in the new year. We believe that the four-week trial was successful and the benefits warrant revisiting this support plan more often. As a reminder, here's how it worked for the four weeks:

- all students would begin their day in their first block class from 9-10 am (Friday 1, Friday 2, Friday 3, or Friday 4);
- some students will have been given a paper referral slip from one of their other teachers (A, B, C or D block teacher);
- at 10 am, when the double block starts, students with a referral slip would move to the requesting teacher's class for additional supports until 11 am; and
- students with no referral slips will stay and work with their enrolling first period teacher for a double block (until 11 am) to complete their assignments for that class or work on another assignment where they can go deeper with their learning.
- the regular bell schedule will follow for the remainder of the day.

I have received feedback from a few of you and if you'd like to share your thoughts, please reach out to me at bill.rounis@sd47.bc.ca. I will be bringing this topic to our next PAC meeting for a deeper discussion. I hope you'll join us.

WINTER BREAK OFFICE HOURS

- Monday, December 20 CLOSED
- Tuesday, December 21, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Wednesday, December 22 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Thursday, December 23 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Friday, December 24 CLOSED

- Monday, December 27 CLOSED

- Tuesday, December 28 CLOSED
- Wednesday, December 29 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Thursday, December 30 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Friday, December 31 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Please note that staff will be in the building beyond the hours posted - these are guaranteed times we will be able to help you if necessary.



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BROOKS PAC INFORMATION

The next PAC meeting is to be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 7:00 pm by Zoom as the meetings happen at 7:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month. President – Kate Boyd, Treasurer – Michelle Kirk, Secretary – Jody Dendewicz, DPAC Reps – Kate Boyd, Siona Rounis.

DRY GRAD COMMITTEE

The Dry Grad Committee next meeting is January 12th @ 7:00 pm. Here's the link and information to join their meeting: **ZOOM LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3772610706> Passcode: grad2022

BOLD EAGLE – LEARN ABOUT THE NAVY

On January 20, 2022 Canadian Forces- Sergeant Gareth Elias, CD will come and present to our students regarding the Bold Eagle program. This is available to our indigenous students interested in a challenging summer experience that delivers hand-on skills development and promotes cultural awareness. Click here for more: <https://www.canada.ca/en/army/services/bold-eagle.html>

GRADE 12 MESSAGE BOARD

- [Cmolik Scholarship Nomination Form.pdf](#) Due Jan 24th by 12pm to Mrs. Larkin or Mr. Brach [Fact Sheet 2021.pdf](#)
- June 29, 2022 is the date set for the 2022 school graduation convocation.
- Royal Closet – anyone wanting dresses or suits for graduation please reach out to Mrs. Carlos through our main office
- 55 [BC Excellence](#) and 20 [Pathway to Teacher Education scholarships](#) are available for students graduating by August 31, 2022. To be considered for the **BC Excellence Scholarship**, students must submit a **nomination form** for Mrs. Larkin or Mr. Brach by Tues Jan 18th 2022.

POST SECONDARY INFORMATION / DUAL-CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

Semester 2 offerings are available for NIC and VIU. Any questions see Mrs. Larkin, Mr. Palm, or Mr. Brach.

Learning today... Working tomorrow
Parent & Student Info
DUAL-CREDIT PROGRAMS 2022
SD47/VIU Program Signup
Wed. JAN 19 @ 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Max Cameron Theatre @ Brooks

Wondering about **next steps** on your educational journey? Survey your options right here at home and save time and money!

Get all your questions answered by program instructors and leaders

Find out about **ACADEMIC STUDIES** and your options for **ITA APPRENTICE TRADES TRAINING**



DUAL-CREDIT ACADEMIC

- English 115/125
- Psychology 111/112
- Sociology 111/112
- Criminology 101
- Health Care Assistant
- Education Assistant
- Early Childhood Education



TRADES TRAINING VIU

- Auto Service
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Hairdressing

SD47/ITA PROGRAMS

- Welding
- Trades Sampler Program

Start your post-secondary studies at your LOCAL VIU CAMPUS while living at home! Starting on a dual-credit track through SD47/VIU will help you with a successful transition while we cover your TUITION costs.

School District 47 (Powell River)  

Look for your personal email invitation sent to all eligible Brooks students & parents

MORE INFO? Contact Jim Palm • james.palm@sd47.bc.ca

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE

Friday, January 28, 2022,
Monday, January 31, 2022,
Tuesday, February 1, 2022,
Friday, February 18, 2022,
Monday, February 21, 2022
Friday, March 11, 2022
Monday, March 28, 2022
Friday, April 15, 2022
Monday, April 18, 2022
Monday, May 23, 2022
Monday, June 6, 2022
Wednesday, June 29, 2022

Last day of Rotation 2, Term 2 and Semester 1
Semester Turn-Around Day – no classes in session
First day of Rotation 3, Term 3, and Semester 2
Professional Development Day (no classes)
BC Family Day Holiday (no school)
Last day before Spring Break
First day back from Spring Break
Good Friday holiday – no school
Easter Monday holiday – no school
Victoria Day Holiday – no school
Professional Development Day – no classes in session
SD47 Graduation Ceremony – Max Cameron Theatre

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