

BROOKS BROADCAST *APRIL*

THE WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER:

April 12, 2021

DATES TO NOTE THIS WEEK

Monday, April 12	Grad Photos Numeracy 10 Assessments (English and French)
Tuesday, April 13	Grad Photos Literacy 10 Assessments 7:00 pm PAC Meeting (Zoom) 7:30 pm Dry Grad Meeting
Wednesday, April 14	Grad Photos Literacy/Numeracy Assessments
Thursday, April 15	Grad Photos 1:30 pm Student Led Trustee All Candidates Meeting (zoom link below).
Friday, April 16	Grad Photos Stu-Crew Book Day – National Librarians Day (bring your favourite book to school)

DATES TO NOTE NEXT WEEK

Monday, April 19	2:00pm planned Fire Drill
Tuesday, April 20	
Wednesday, April 21	
Thursday, April 22	
Friday, April 23	Last day of Term 3

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It was so nice to see everyone back from our Spring Break. Considering the energy level in the building, I could tell that everyone was well rested and ready to be back.

Looking ahead it's another busy week as we are hosting Graduation photos this week in the front half of the Great Hall. Along with the photos we have our Numeracy Assessments happening in the computer labs. Be sure to place Thursday at 1:30pm in your calendars as we are hosting a Student Led Virtual Trustee All Candidates Forum. If you'd like to watch the webinar please feel free to use this link <https://sd47powellriver.zoom.us/j/63213306737>. We expect that it should be ending as close to 3:00 pm as we can. All seven candidates have confirmed their attendance.

Lastly, keep in mind as well that we are only two weeks from the end of Term 3. All Grade 10, 11, and 12 term courses will be ending and then students will begin their next offering for the final term of the year on Monday April 26, 2021.



NEWS FROM GRADE 9

Most Grade 9 classes participated in Tie Dye before Spring Break, one of their cross-curricular cumulative ADST projects this year. We celebrated by having a Tie-Dye day, where most students donned their creations!

BROOKS COUNSELLING BLOG

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



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CAREER EXPLORATION CONVERSATIONS – WORK BC

Work BC will be hosting two upcoming parent webinars on the island April 15th and 20th from 7 – 8pm.

The goal of the one-hour interactive webinar is to help parents and caregivers support youth as they explore career options. This virtual event is designed for parents of grade 9-12 students wanting to enhance their career coaching skills and gain exposure to WorkBC.ca tools to help with their youth's career path.

The April 15th zoom link is: <https://zoom.us/j/95737301389#success>

The April 20th zoom link is: <https://zoom.us/j/91291676450#success>

ERASE MENTAL HEALTH SESSIONS – APRIL & MAY

We are pleased to let you know that the Ministry of Education has announced new Mental Health and Wellness Sessions for Educators, Parents and Students which include the following topics:

<u>Educator Sessions:</u>	Anxiety in Youth	Self-Harm & Suicide in Youth
Educator Wellness	Depression in Youth	Substance Use in Youth
<u>Parent Sessions:</u>	Mental Wellness	Substance Use
<u>Student Sessions:</u>	Stress & Anxiety	

There are also four Social Media Awareness Sessions for Students in grades 8-12. For more information and to register, links to all trainings can be found on the erase website at: <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/erase/documents/erase-training-schedule.pdf>

POWELL RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

- **YOUNG WRITERS GROUP**, is back and on ZOOM every Friday from 3:30-4:30 pm for writers aged 11-18. Registration required. For more information go to <https://prpl.ca/explore/young-writers-writing-group/>
- **Vancouver Writer's Fest Youth Writing Contest (deadline May 31, 2021)**
Open to all writers in grades 8-12 who are attending a school or being taught in a home-school environment in British Columbia. For more information go to <https://writersfest.bc.ca/programs/education/youth-programs/spreading-the-word-youth-contest/>

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
• Rugby Skills	Mr. Hilleren	Mon/Wed	3:30 pm in the Gym

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
• 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

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.

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	



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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, April 13, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

<https://sd47powellriver.zoom.us/j/62220660089?pwd=T2xGZUxUcTdrNWtYcEtVS0lpZW1CZz09>

Here is our upcoming schedule for this year: 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.
4. **Grad Magazine** – check out the Brooks Grad 2021 Facebook page for the all the latest in the grad magazine.

POST SECONDARY INSTITUTION

Reminder to graduating students, you must make your Post Secondary Institution (PSI) selections in the Student Transcripts Service (STS). Students wishing to send May interim marks to one of [six B.C. PSIs, University of Alberta or University of Calgary](#) must place orders by April 23. Also, [22 B.C. PSIs and the Ontario Universities' Application Centre \(OUAC\)](#) can now receive interim marks and transcript updates electronically throughout the year (when authorized by the student). See [STS Help resources](#) if you have additional questions.

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, April 13 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

Here's the copy of the latest Grad Magazine: [The Brooks Grad magazine](#). Grade 12's interested in joining the 2021 Grad () 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 10 am – 6 pm.
- Graduates please email your baby photos to brooksggradbabyphotos2021@gmail.com by **April 15, 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
- Also Graduates are to submit their commencement note by April 16th. All information is located in the link below. The QR code is attached.
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=okgnEzMHA0aOIXhKWxakQivD1y7saRFIsBjfoWKfdrNUMklzSjYUUFFVNfQyM1ZPREM5WVhFVU9QTi4u>

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

April 23, 2021

Last Day of Term 3



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BROOKS SCHEDULE

<p><u><i>Grades 8 & 9 School Schedule</i></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><i>Grades 10 – 12 School Schedule</i></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><i>The School Terms Lengths</i></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>

