



Hugh Boyd Secondary Parent Newsletter



February 2017

Our Mission Statement

Hugh Boyd develops compassionate and respectful young adults who are well-balanced, principled inquirers with an understanding of their responsibilities within society and as global citizens. Students balance academic excellence with attributes that allow them to realize their potential as whole learners in a dynamic and complex world.

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Principal's Message

We have had a busy start to 2017 with a number of notable events as we move towards spring. This includes Showcase Evening, Grade 7 Parent Tour, Interim reports, basketball playoffs, grad photos, Grade 10 Personal Project Exhibition, Program Planning, 24 Without, Anti-Bullying Day, and Night of the Notables.

With four months left in the school year, we are in the midst of planning for 2017-18. We have visited our Grade 7 feeder school students while students at Boyd will be entering course selections during the first week of March with the support of our counsellors and admin team. A reminder that student selections drive our timetable process so it is important that families consider post-secondary requirements in addition to graduation requirements. If you have any questions, please contact our counsellors Ms. Goodwin and Mr. Ritchie.

We would like to thank the parents, students, and staff that came out to support Showcase Night on January 26th. There was much excitement and energy in the building with musical performances, art displays, science experiments, exposure to the home economics room, and information about MYP and Incentive as well as extra-curriculars such as football. Our Grade 7 Parent Tour on February 8th was very well attended and thank you to the staff that were able to speak to our future Boyd parents that morning.

We would like to congratulate all the Grade 10's who presented their projects at the MYP Personal Project Exhibition on February 9th. We are very proud of their accomplishments and know that students worked hard and were feeling satisfied as staff, fellow students and visitors expressed their compliments. Students in Grades 8 and 9 visited the displays during the day and parents and guests came by in the evening.

In addition, in February our counsellors facilitated the Get Real workshops around LGBTQ issues for Grades 9, 10, and 11. The Outdoor Ed club also had a fantastic day of skiing in Whistler. Our drama production Snow Angel is currently running for two weeks between February 20th and March 3rd. On February 23rd our Grade 10 Incentive class will be participating in 24 Without, raising money for the Refilwe community in South Africa.

February 28th will be the Night of the Notables. The students in the Grade 8 Incentive class will be taking on the persona of a famous person for the evening. Please come out and see the students in character starting at 7:00 pm.

Congratulations are in order, also, to our students and staff in Athletics. Basketball season is ending, and boys' volleyball, girls soccer, golf, track and field and badminton are coming up.

Please remember that Spring Break starts on Monday, March 13th and ends on Friday, March 24th.

Sincerely,

Mr. R. Johal
Principal



Important Dates

For March 2017

Mar 01	Team Time, Early dismissal, 12: 49 pm Term 2 Report Cards Home
Mar 08	Parent/Teachers Conferences, 2-4 pm
Mar 09	ParentTeachers Conferences, 2-4 pm, 6-8 pm
Mar 10	Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
Mar 14-24	Spring Break
Mar 27	First Day of Class after Spring Break



Scholarship Application



A reminder to grade 12 students and parents that applications for in-school scholarships are due March 6.

In order to be eligible for scholarships, students must be taking a minimum of 6 grade 12 courses, must be in good academic standing, and must not have any N's for work habits. Scholarships are awarded based on academic standing as well as community and school service. Extra application forms are available from Ms. Vaughan.

Counsellor/ Student Designation:

Mr. J. Ritchie	A-K
Ms. K. Goodwin	L-Z

Grad Transition

Grade 12 students are reminded to complete this. Please sign up at the office for an interview. For details, please contact Mr. Johal.

Tommy's Cafe

The Entrepreneurship students have been working hard lately in class, so that they can begin working out of it. Consequently, their school-run business, Tommy's Café, is up and running in the lounge. The café is open before school, and during the break, selling hot drinks, smoothies, and assorted food items to the students and staff of Hugh Boyd. If you are at the school for any reason in the morning, stop by and get your day started the Tommy's way. Remember, you can't have Tommy's without.



Community Service Hours/Action for MYP

A notice to grades 8 – 10 students and parents that MYP “Call to Action” / service hours have been extended and are now due by May 5th. Students are required to complete 10 hours for each year in grades 8 – 10. If students completed their interdisciplinary unit, they have earned 5 service hours.

Reflections will be done in school the following week, May 10/11th.

Please refer to the Hugh Boyd website for more information regarding **the Call to Action.**

Hugh Boyd Musical News

Greetings from the Music Department!

At the beginning of February, we welcomed UBC teacher candidate, Miri Kim, back to Hugh Boyd to begin her long practicum. Ms. Kim is an acclaimed classical guitarist and she has already become a real ally to the guitar players in the Band classes.

Upcoming events:

District Jazz Night: Tuesday Feb. 28th at 7:00pm at The Gateway Theatre

The Senior Jazz Band and Jazz Combo will perform at the Gateway Theatre for the district's annual Jazz Night. Tickets will be on sale soon and can be purchased from Mr. Naso for \$8 each. Tickets can also be purchased online from the Gateway Theatre website or at the box office on the evening of the concert. I hope to see you there cheering on the Boyd jazzers!

Rescheduled Music Tour Info Night Thursday March 2nd at 7:00PM in the Boyd Music Room

Due to the wintery weather and bad road conditions, we had to postpone the tour info session for our proposed Spring 2018 Music Tour. A representative from Affinity Tours will present details of our proposed trip and answer questions from parents. Our ultimate goal is to travel to New Orleans but we can discuss other possible destinations as well. We can also chat about possible fundraising endeavors that can help lower the cost of the trip. I hope to see you there!

Boyd's Second Line Band to Perform @ The Pacific Gateway Hotel Saturday March 4th 1:00 - 3:00pm

The Second Line Band has a gig! We are working on some new material to play at this upcoming show and, when the weather gets nicer, I hope to take this group out for more performances in the community; maybe even some mobile busking!

There will be lots of other musical events coming up after Spring Break so please stay tuned. Thanks, as always, for supporting the Hugh Boyd musicians!

Mr. K Naso



CAREER CENTRE NEWS

MS JONES CAREER CENTRE WEBSITES: PROVIDES WEEKLY UPDATES ON POST-SECONDARY, CAREER AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Ms. Jones Career Centre Website: <https://msjonescareercentre.wordpress.com/>
Facebook Page "Ms. Jones Career Centre News":
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ms-Jones-Career-Centre-news/118346451579144>

Grade 12 students should be in the process of finalizing their Post-Secondary applications, many deadlines are fast approaching:

SFU deadline to apply - Feb 28/17

UVIC deadline to apply - Feb 28/17

Kwantlen early application deadline - March 1/17

Capilano Arts/Science/Business application deadline – March 1/17

Be sure to check:

-application deadlines

-scholarship deadlines

-housing and document deadlines

Deadline dates vary so check carefully!

Document Deadlines:

Many universities & colleges require additional information such as transcripts or supplemental applications or profiles, this is called a "document deadline". This is separate from the application deadline and varies depending on the institution.

Offers of Admission: Grade 12 students who have applied to a university/college for entry in Sept. are reminded to regularly check the institution's secured student service (student account) website/portal for new messages. Many sites require students to use the Identification Number that was noted on their confirmation letter or email along with a password. These sites contain important details regarding: transcript submission, self-reporting, admission offers, course pre-requisites, registration, deadline dates, contact information, grades, etc.

Self-Reporting Dates For BC Institutions:

Students may login to their university account and report their interim marks for the following BC institutions:
SFU – Jan 4 to Apr 30 (Beedie School of Business- March 15) <http://www.sfu.ca/students/admission-requirements/applied.html>

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UBC - March 3- March 20: <http://you.ubc.ca/admissions/canadian-highschools/bc-yukon-selfreporting/>

UVic - Feb 15 - March 31 <http://registrar.uvic.ca/undergrad/admissions/apps/self-reporting/>

Students should be completing their Post Secondary Choices Form (PSI)

Before March 1st for interim grades to be received by the institution applied to.

The Ministry assists each graduating student planning to pursue post-secondary education by sending a copy of his/her transcript data to post-secondary institutions indicated on the PSI Choices Form. Students need to authorize the Ministry to transfer these marks by filling in the PSI choices form on-line at the Student Secure Website: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student/welcome. Students can either create an account using their Personal Education Number or log in to an existing account.

Register to write the TOEFL/IELTS and/or the LPI if you are required to do so. Contact the Career Centre or the individual post-secondary institutions you are applying to for requirements and exemptions.

Reminder to Grade 12's:

Scholarship Deadlines coming up!

Remember to Check "Ms. Jones Facebook page" or the Scholarship section of her website, for recent additions and up-coming scholarship opportunities.

Reminders to Grade 11's:

If you are planning to attend a USA post-secondary institution after graduation, it is a good idea to register for and to write your SAT admission exam during your Grade 11 year! This allows enough time to have your SAT scores ready for your Fall application. See the College Board website for registration details: <http://student.collegeboard.org/>

Up-Coming Events:

APPRENTICESHIP "YOUTH TRAIN in TRADES" (ACE IT) PROGRAMS.

A Future Without Limits!!

Students in grade 10 and 11... are you interested in expanding your skill-set? Would you like to get a head-start on a promising career in demand? Are you ready to begin post-secondary courses, while you are still in high school (with the tuition paid by the school district)? Are you hard working, and do you enjoy challenges and working with your hands? Applications are now being accepted for students interested in one of several district Youth Train in Trades (ACE IT) programs. Students in these programs can earn high school credits, college credits, as well Level 1 Certification from the Industry Training Authority (ITA). See the Careers Programs Website for more information: <http://careerprograms.sd38.bc.ca> or visit your Counsellor or Career Advisor .

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Langara College Course Planning Sessions - For new 'Arts and Science Transfer Applicants. Designed to help students understand university entrance requirements, as well as the requirements for faculties and majors. The Langara Counselling Department requires that new Arts and Science students attend a Course Planning Session before receiving individual assistance. See website for the next available session:

<http://www.langara.bc.ca/student-services/counselling/workshops-info-sessions/course-planning-sessions.html>

Feb 25/17 Film & Animation Open House (Bosa Centre) Learn more about the Bosa Centre for Film and Animation at Capilano University in North Vancouver Campus. Tour the postproduction facilities including industry-designed sound mixing & recording studio, picture & sound editing labs, visual effects labs, plus digital & commercial animation labs and costuming studios. Everyone is welcome to attend!

For more Information phone: 604 990 7868 or email: film@capilanou.ca

Mar 1/17 - BCIT 'BIG Info' Evening – Learn about 300+ programs all in one place. Speak to instructors, ask questions, meet grads, and get a chance to win one of three prizes for \$1000 in tuition credit! This free night is open to everyone. Held at the Burnaby Campus: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 – 5:00pm – 8:00pm. To register, visit:

<http://commons.bcit.ca/biginfo/>

Mar 2/17 - (Thursday) -STUDY AND GO ABROAD FAIR – Vancouver Convention Centre. Expo from 2 pm to 6 pm. Seminars from 1pm to 6 pm. Free admission to the fair which includes information from top-ranked universities from around the world, scholarships, and student travel information. For more information visit: <http://www.studyandgoabroad.com>

Mar 2/17 – Explore Capilano University Info Night - Thursday 5:30 – 8:00 PM Birch Building, Main Floor Atrium, 2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver, BC.

Students and parents are welcome to come discover the dozens of interesting Programs that Capilano University offers. Learn about financial aid and awards, support services and study abroad opportunities. For information and to RSVP visit: <https://www.capilanou.ca/future/visit-cap/Explore-Capilano/>

March 10/17 – Richmond Community Scholarships Deadline – Open to all Richmond District students. There is no requirement for a specific grade average for any of the scholarships offered by the Richmond Community foundation. Students who are pursuing trade and diploma courses are encouraged to apply in addition to those undertaking degree studies. Criteria and application instructions at:

http://www.rcrg.org/GrantsScholarships/ScholarshipDetails/high_school_scholarships. Students must register with RCGC ***in order to fill out an application.***

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Mar 9/17 - Langara 'Nursing Program' Information Session - This event will be hosted by Langara's School of Nursing and a representative from the Admissions Office. Learn more about the profession of Nursing in general, as well as specifics about Langara's BSN program. The session will be held from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, in Langara's Nursing Simulation Centre, T334. For more information, visit: <http://langara.ca/programs-and-courses/programs/nursing/information-sessions.html>

Important Dates/Deadlines:

SFU:

Jan 4/17 - April 30/17 – SFU self-reporting dates
Feb 15/17 – SFU Deadline to submit referee documents to Major Entrance Scholarship
Feb 28/17 – SFU Deadline to apply
Feb 28/17 – SFU Beedie School of Business BBA Application and grades submission Deadline
March 15/17 – SFU Beedie document deadline
April 30/17 – Deadline to submit on-line grade 12 final grades

UBC:

Feb 1/17 – Deadline to submit on-line grade 12 final grades.
Feb 15/17 - UBC Grade 11 Language course exemption application deadline
Feb 15/17 – Sauder School of Business document deadline
March 3/17 – March 20/17 – UBC self-reporting dates
March 15/17 – UBC deadline to submit required admission documents (IELTS/TOEFL/LPI)

UVic:

Feb 15/17 - Mar 31/17 – UVic self-reporting dates & deadline for automatic scholarship consideration
Feb 28/17 – UVic Deadline to apply
March 1/17 – Deadline to submit IELTS/TOEFL/LPI to Gustavson School of Business
March 1/17 – Deadline to submit IELTS/TOEFL/LPI to all other programs
May 1/17 - Entrance Scholarships based on other criteria application deadline

OTHER:

March 1/17 – Capilano Application deadline for Arts/Science & Business programs
March 1/17 – TRU early application deadline
March 1/17 – KPU deadline for early admission to selective entry programs

The Career Center at Hugh Boyd is open Mon 8-3, Wed 8-11:30 and Thurs 8-3 to answer any questions or provide assistance regarding post-secondary entry.



FULL TIME REAP 2017

Richmond Education Assistant Program

~ July 2017 - November 2017 ~

Richmond Continuing Education will be offering a full time certificate program called REAP, Richmond Education Assistant Program. The program will equip adults to work with K-12 students with physical, behavioural, sensory and learning needs.

Full Time REAP will start in July 2017 and end in November 2017. Classes will be from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday as well as two 3-week practica in Richmond schools. Exact start and end times of your practica will depend on school placements.

Joining REAP will open the door to job opportunities in this challenging and fulfilling career field in education.

There is a FREE INFORMATION SESSION on Thursday, March 9, 2017 @ 7 pm.

*Advanced registration is required.
Register online, www.RichmondCE.ca*

For more information, please phone 604.668.6123, or email, RCE@sd38.bc.ca