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## Home Openers

*BY: AZAYDA DHANOA*

On Thursday, November 28th, Hugh Boyd had our senior boys exhibition basketball game. This game was a great way to kick off the 2023/2024 Hugh Boyd basketball season. The exhibition game showcased the Hugh Boyd senior boys athletic capabilities. The home game was an intense battle between Hugh Boyd vs Sands Secondary, and concluded with a score of 48-62. Although with a loss of 14 points, the senior boys played well, communicating well with each other and staying focused. They had a positive attitude, supported, and encouraged one another. The atmosphere was filled with students from different grades coming out to support the team. The players did an excellent job executing flawless passes, incredible shots, and demonstrated their defensive capability. Shout-out to Rory Adams, Bryan Ta, and Adrian Garcia who played exceptionally well as this group of players led their team through the hurdles of the game. With their excellent skills, communication, and enthusiasm for the sport at this opening game, we are hoping for a successful season. Throughout the month of December Boyd's other basketball teams will be playing in their first games this season. Make sure to keep an eye out on the athletic council's Instagram account for upcoming games and updates.



## Formula 1 Season Comes to an End

*BY: ADRIANA VERKADE*



After a long 9 months, this formula one season has come to an end. On Sunday, November 26th, the final race was held in the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix. Max Verstappen came in first with 26 points, then Charles Leclerc with 18 points, and finally followed by George Russel with 15 points. Red Bull concluded with an overall score of 822 points for the season and won the constructors championship. At the end of the season, Sergio Pérez, the other Red Bull driver, came second to Max Verstappen.

Max Verstappen broke many records during this F1 season including most consecutive races, points scored, and top two finishes as a championship leader. He also held the title of the most pit stops by the winning driver in one race, was the only driver to win thrice in one country (United States), and had the most consecutive wins from pole. These records were only a few of the many broken by Verstappen.

Mercedes passed Ferrari to become second in constructors championship in the last few laps of the season. After dominating the season, will Red Bull come back strong once again? We'll find out in February 2024!



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## Case Comp Club

BY: PAUL DELOS REYES



The Case Comp Club, also known as the Business Club, is where students, for a fee, can take part in solving real-life, business-related problems and situations for 2 days. A case comp usually is completed within 80 minutes and in groups of 4 to 5 people. Solutions will then be presented to a group of 2 to 3 industry professional judges. The judges will grade, assess, and review every presentation. The 6 highest scoring teams will then be moved to the finals to present their solutions once more, this time in front of the judges and the participants. Ultimately, the winning team receives trophies for each member, and a \$1000 to \$2000 cash prize. Case competitions are normally held at the UBC Sauder School of Business. Organizations like Prosper Vancouver, MiniEnterprize, and Strive Competition usually hold these types of events. The Case Comp club also teaches about business and hosts club competitions like the recent stock simulation contest. Case competitions are a wonderful opportunity to learn many things about business, how to be successful, and how it works. Students will be able to attend workshops where guest speakers talk about past experiences, successes, and more. Case Comp is great for students who want to have a career in business and see how it is like. If you are interested in business and want to experience case competitions, join this club to get some first hand experience!

## 24 Without- A Review

BY: KASHISH PUNJABI

24 Without has been a continued tradition at our school for the past 14 years. It has been run by the grade 10 Incentive class as a part of their curriculum. This year, the goal was to raise \$5,000 for the Rotary's Child and Maternal Health Initiative.

The challenge for this event was to experience a lifestyle of the less fortunate. Students were told to go 24 hours without food, phones and makeup (optional). The event began at 8am where participants commenced their fast. After school, from 5:30-9:30pm, participants meet back at school and register their pledges. Depending on how much money participants donated they received raffle tickets for special prizes at the end! When everyone was settled and had put their stuff away, participants formed into their selected groups and started activities. The entertaining activities include Jeopardy, Dodgeball, Finish the Lyrics, team games and an Escape Room. All groups rotated every 15-20 minutes and competed against rival teams. Out of all the teachers, Mr Harowitz was sadly "murdered" in addition to the murder mystery theme of the day. After every activity students received clues which helped them guess who the "murderer" was at the end of the event. Once all the activities were over teams had the chance to read all the clues and answer the questions on a paper in attempts to win this mystery. A bit later, the raffle draw started and the selected winners received their prizes. Karaoke was a big hit as everyone enjoyed the rest of the night before they got ready for bed. At 8am everyone woke up and 24 Without was successfully completed! Everyone had delicious pancakes for breakfast before heading out. It was a fun experience that everyone should experience at least once. Great job to the Grade 10 Incentive class for organizing this event!

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## Akimatsuri- Anime Convention

*BY: VALENTINA YEP*

Held on November 25th, Akimatsuri is an annual one-day event that's held in the late fall and it serves as a light version of the main convention, with the style of the school, cultural, and seasonal festivals held in Japan. This year, it was held at Kwantlen Polytechnic University from 10am to 6pm. Akimatsuri includes many of the traditional and smaller scale events that Anime Evolution holds, that includes panels, AMV viewings, gaming, and many more. One of the fun parts of going was gazing at all of the many vendors and artists you could buy from, with a variety of trinkets and items you could buy from a large variety of fandoms. You could buy things like art prints, key chains, tote bags, stickers, plushies, pins, acrylic stands and more! The atmosphere of how all the vendors were set up was very organized. and the people running the stands were also very nice and entertaining to talk to! Akimatsuri is a very fun-filled event where you can talk and take pictures with other cosplayers that are around. I would highly recommend going to Akimatsuri or any of the other small events Anime Evolution may hold in the future, but make sure to prepare your wallet!



## End of an Era- Goodbye Printed News

*BY: ADRIANA VERKADE*

On November 30th, 2023, the Richmond news printed papers went out of business, and many young students took their last newspaper route. Unfortunately, this leaves many people left without a job.

Starting with the newsies back in the 1800's, the tradition of selling or distributing newspapers has been a crucial component in our day to day lives. With many readers not having access to modern technology nowadays, the only source of news was the paper version of the Richmond News. This went on for plenty of years, until around the 50-60's, when technology became more advanced and accessible to everyone around the world. Once newspaper platforms became more popular on social networks and the internet, paper copies of the news began to appear less and less, and more information was being shared online.

Although the discontinuation of the paper copies of the Richmond News may have seemed inevitable for readers, it still came as a surprise as hand-delivered newspapers had become a part of everyone's lives. With all this being said, it isn't all negative. Using less paper was a step forward to becoming a more economically and environmentally friendly company. Additionally, there are much more frequent updates, with notifications being sent out immediately after an incident has been reported, an upgrade from the weekly papers.

The pros and cons of this executive decision are controversial, but the decision has been made. Thank you to all of the staff who have worked in the Richmond news for many years, your work has been extremely valuable.

## The Construction of New Condos at Richmond Center

BY: TIFFANY TARRANT



The rise of construction around CF Richmond Centre has become quite noticeable as it has become a common sight for the citizens in this city. New buildings are currently being constructed around Richmond City Center, or Richmond Center. These work in progress buildings are gaining the attention of buyers in and outside of BC.

Plans are being set for twelve new mid-rise buildings. Since 1960, building codes have been changed to allow buildings taller than three stories. Now, they are planning to build these condos no more than fourteen stories, or 148ft. There will be retail spaces located on the lower floors of the buildings and residential spaces located on the upper floors. These new buildings will allow new businesses to flourish in this popular area.

These condos are also extremely popular thanks to their convenient location as it is close to the popular mall, CF Richmond Center. It contains many of the necessary amenities such as drug stores, grocery stores, fruit

markets, bakeries, restaurants, clothing stores, and more. People who will live there will not have to travel far to get most of the items they may need.

More condos will give the ability to have a greater density at the city center core. By making high rises, it creates the ability to have more people in a city block by housing people vertically instead of expanding away from the city horizontally.

The nearby Skytrain allows more people to live in the city center because it provides transport for people working outside Richmond without building a lot of extra parking. They are also close to sports, recreation and cultural areas as well as maintaining green spaces around the city core.

This project has been underway for a while now, and they are making some substantial progress on the project. Richmond is rapidly growing in its population and these condos will be super beneficial to housing new residents for the future.



# Weekly Review

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## The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes- Movie Review


BY: CELINE EPKINS

Newly released, The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes is a prequel, set some 60 years before the events of the Hunger Games. The movie follows young Coriolanus Snow, played by Tom Bylth, on the path to becoming the leader of Panem. The pressure is on and the stakes at this year's Games are high. Coriolanus' family has fallen on hard times. As Panem is preparing for its 10th annual



Hunger Games, Coriolanus is assigned to mentor Lucy Gray, a tribute from District 12. Lucy quickly wins the audience over with her courage, and powerful singing. Coriolanus strategizes with Lucy to ensure her success within the games, which leads him to secure the victory prize to rescue his family from poverty. Romance sparks between Snow and Lucy, and their relationship is put to the test as she fights for her life in the arena, and during the events that follow up after the games ends. The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes portrays Coriolanus Snow's a villain origin story, as well as provides further context and a backstory to the Hunger Games. This movie truly allows fans of the Hunger Games series to indulge even deeper into the fictional world. The connections and parallels drawn throughout the film will leave viewers reminiscing in the movie for days. The new movie beautifully tied everything together for this series. Watching Snow's evolution and character development throughout the story was fascinating. Before your eyes, you can witness how love, greed, and Snow's rise to power, changed him into the tyrannical leader of Panem. Lucy Gray's performance also took the movie the extra mile. From her first impression, when she is chosen as tribute, she stands out with her melodic protest. Throughout the movie, her songs move the audience. Her voice soars, and her charisma will draw you in. The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes is a dystopian action filled movie with star performances and adds dimension to a well loved series.

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