

December 23, 2024 – January 3, 2025

Monday Dec 23	Tuesday	Wednesday Dec 25	Thursday Dec 26	Friday Jan 3, 2025
Winter Break School Closed		Christmas Day Hannukah (ends Jan. 2)	Boxing Day	Last day of Winter Break

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! We made it!!

The holiday season is now upon us. We want to wish everyone in the Hugh Boyd community *a safe, restful and memory-filled Happy Holidays*, however you choose to celebrate. Please be sure to enjoy time with family and friends as well as some time for self-care, rest, and relaxation. We want to wish everyone a Happy New Year, as we prepare to enter 2025! *Thanks for everything each of you do to contribute to this magnificent community. Please enjoy the break!*



SEAN BERDA MEMORIAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Just a quick word of *thanks and congratulations* to everyone who participated and contributed to the second annual **Sean Berda Memorial Basketball tournament** last weekend. The tournament was a huge success, with some great games and huge crowds at both RC Palmer and Hugh Boyd schools. *Special acknowledgement must go out to Ms. Maika and the Athletic Council for organizing and hosting such a massive tournament.* It was very busy, but extremely well-organized and fun!

Congratulations must also go out to all teams, but especially our Senior Girls and Boys teams. The Girls team placed 5th and the **Boys team were the champions, defeating Burnet, McMath and Palmer over the weekend!** *Congratulations to all. The Berda family was very happy with this tournament in Mr. Berda's memory!*

CORE COMPETENCIES SELF-REFLECTIONS

Students brought home the Core Competencies Self-Reflections earlier this week. The Core Competencies are a set of intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students in for deep, lifelong learning. Students are continuously reflecting and self-assessing on their learning in relation to the Core Competencies throughout the year in their classes. For more information about the Core Competencies, please visit: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies> Please take time to have a conversation with your child about their Core Competency Self-Reflection from the first semester. You may wish to have a conversation about:

- Where is your child on the profile for each Core Competencies area?
- How has your child experienced success in a specific Core Competency area?
- Ask your child to share a story from some or all of their classes?
- What Core Competency area(s) would your child like to focus on next and what might that look like in different classes?
- What are your Core Competency goals for second semester?

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec 23: Start of Winter Break (school closed)
- Dec 25: Christmas Day
- Dec 25: Hannukah (ends Jan.2)
- Dec 26: Boxing Day
- Jan 06: School re-opens
- Jan 08: **Collaboration Day (late start 9:55am)**
- Jan 13: Grad Assessments (ends Jan.24)

SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN ON MONDAY JANUARY 6, 2025

Please be reminded that school will be closed during the two-week holiday, but that **classes will start again on Monday, January 6th at 8:30 in A block.** *Be ready to go because the end of the semester isn't far away!*

COLLABORATION DAY

Please be reminded that shortly after school re-starts, we will have a Collaboration Day. **Wednesday, January 8th is a Collaboration Day**, and **classes will start at 9:55 AM.** A bell schedule for that day will be shared on Tuesday, January 7th.

GRADUATION ASSESSMENT – GNA 10

The next sitting of the Graduation Numeracy Assessment 10 will be January 13-24. All grade 10 students will be registered to write this assessment. Any grade 12 students missing an assessment for graduation will also be schedule to write. If you are a grade 11 or 12 student missing an assessment, please contact Ms. Poon by December. Grade 12 students will write the GLA 12 in April 2024

END OF SEMESTER ONE, START OF SEMESTER TWO

Please be reminded that **Semester One classes end on Friday, January 24th.** Hugh Boyd will then have a Professional Development day on Monday, January 27th and a Semester Turn Around day on Tuesday, January 28th. **Semester Two classes will start on Wednesday, January 29th.** *Be sure when you return from the holidays that you work hard! You will only have 3 weeks left to make sure you pass all your courses!*

DAG (DRY AFTER GRAD) FUNDRAISING

SAVE YOUR BOTTLES! Keep your empties from now through the holidays in support of the dry after grad party for our 2025 graduates. **Saturday, January 4th** bottles will be picked up or you can drop bottles and cans at the back of the school **between 9:00am – 12:00pm.**

2025 grads and parents we need you! We still need help to deliver flyers and help collect bottles on January 4. To volunteer, please contact us at Boydaftergrad2025@gmail.com

COMING SOON! DAG online auction! We are looking for contributions to our online auction. If you or someone you know might have an idea or a donation to provide, please reach out to us at Boydaftergrad2025@gmail.com