



DOVER BAY SECONDARY

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September 15, 2023

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ERASE Bullying

A confidential and anonymous, online reporting tool for students.

Online parent resources at:

www.erasebullying.ca



The School Newsletter is available to students and parents to view on-line, on the Dover Bay website: www.doverbay.ca
It will also be emailed to parents/guardians through MyEdBC. If you would like a paper copy, please have your child pick it up from the office.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Sep 19	PAC meeting in Library @ 6:30pm Gr 8 & 9 assembly 8:45 am Gr10 & 11 assembly 9:20 am
Sep 20	Gr 12 assembly 10:15 am
Sep 21	Open House 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Sep 29	Truth and Reconciliation Assembly
Sep 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Oct 2	Holiday – no school
Oct 9	Thanksgiving – no school
Oct 10	Early Dismissal – 2 pm
Oct 12	Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30 to 6:30 pm
Oct 12	Photo Retakes

LUNCH TIME MATH HELP

Drop-in math help for all students Monday to Thursday in D213 will start on Monday, Sept 25. Bring your lunch and come get help from student tutors that are here to help! Students can see Ms. James if they would like to volunteer to be a tutor.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Traffic Safety: Student Drop Off and Pick-Up

The Dover Bay parking lots are extremely busy before and after school, and the safety of everyone is our priority. To help with this, we ask that when students are being dropped off and picked up that the proper areas are used.

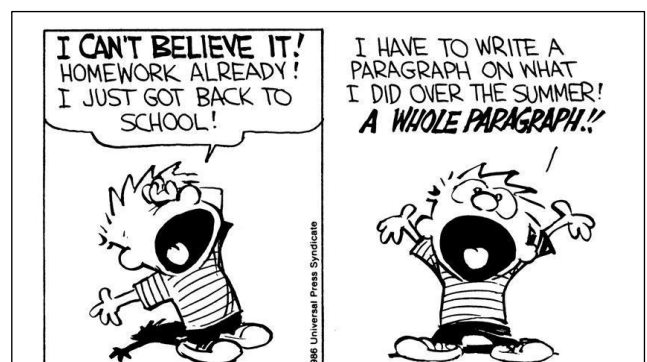
Students should be dropped off and picked up in THE MAIN PARKING LOT ONLY.

To access this, enter off McGirr Road (near the McGirr Field Sport Complex) and follow the outside of the parking lot to the drop off area adjacent to the bus loop. There are then two exits: the first near the front portable, is a right turn only, and the other near the McGirr Fields is a right/left turn exit.

Please do not drive your vehicle into the entrance to the bus loop or enter the fire lane parallel to McGirr Road.

We also ask that you do not park anywhere with a yellow curb.

We thank you for your help in keeping everyone safe.



SCHOOL BUS REGISTRATION



School Bus Registration for 2023 -24

If you have a student who will be riding the bus for the upcoming school year, and you have not registered yet please do so ASAP.

All you need, is the student number – then go to the link below to complete and submit the registration.

<https://www.sd68.bc.ca/transportation/>

Any Questions contact the Transportation Department 250-741-5214.

NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



Dover Bay will be marking this important national holiday on Friday, September 29th. Student assemblies will be held in the morning, and special activities will be held all week.

Dover Bay Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange on Friday, September 29.

COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

Burton WEI (A – Fi)
Natalie SORENSEN (FI – Li)
Louie VAN GROOTEL (LI – R)
Joanne TOMIYAMA (S – Z)
Nancy STIGINGS (International Students)

Hello Dover Bay families, welcome to the 2023/24 school year! The counsellors have been working with students to finalize student timetables in the last few weeks. Timetable changes are now complete. We wish every student a successful year! We also have a few informational items to share from the counselling team:

Post-Secondary

Post-secondary is an exciting time to start exploring. Whether you are confident in your future career path or are looking to develop skills to be successful in a variety of different jobs – equipping yourself with information is the best way to make a decision that is right for you.

Dover Bay is hosting a Canadian Universities Event (CUE) on Wednesday, Sep 27 from 9 to 11. There will be 50+ post-secondary schools in attendance. All grade 12 and grade 11 students are invited!

Back to School and Mental Health

Blog - [How to Promote Resilience and Set Your Kids up for Success](#) by Dr. Angela Low (Kelty Mental Health)

For more mental health related resource, please check out [Kelty Mental Health Resource Centre and newsletter](#) (subscription option at the bottom of the page)

Workshops and Webinars

[Mental Health and Preparing for the Transition to Post Secondary](#)
[FREE 1-hour workshops for parents & families of students with ASD](#) – Understanding the Individual Education Plan

CTC – Indigenous Trades Sampler

Career Technical Centre is running a Trades Sampler with Indigenous focus again this year. The guiding principle is to create a program that truly honours the students and the culture the best we can with what we know. The sampler will start on January 30th and will run until June. There will be NO cost to the program.

Students will sample up to 6 trades including Carpentry, Welding, Electrical, Automotive, Heavy Duty Mechanics, Motorcycle Marine, and Heavy Equipment Operator simulation.

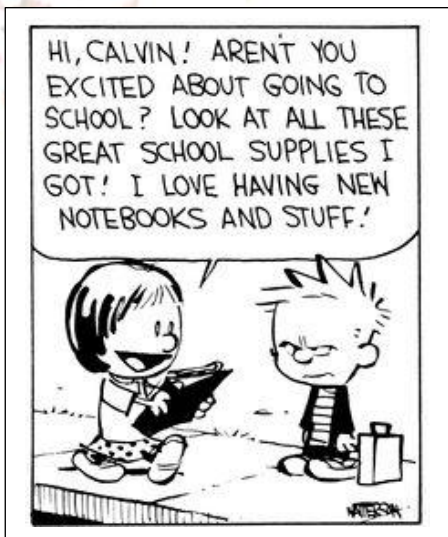
Please contact your counsellor for more information!

ATHLETICS

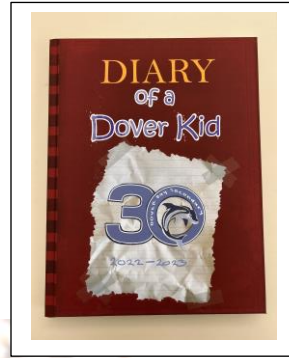
Dover Bay Athletics

September is an exciting month for high school sports as we jump right into FALL SPORTS. We have Jr. Boys soccer (grades 8, 9, and 10), grade 8 girls and boys volleyball, Jr. girls and boys volleyball, Sr. girls and boys volleyball, swimming, and cross country this Fall. Our Senior teams are in full swing and the junior and grade 8 teams are busy getting established and ready for the season ahead. All information regarding Athletics (gym schedules for practices and home games, tryout dates, parent forms to drive and volunteer, and master schedules of team games) can be found on our Dover Bay Athletics website. We also have a very active Instagram page that will provide you with important updates/information and celebrations of our teams' successes. If you are interested in helping support an athlete, a team, or the athletics program as a whole, we have a sponsorship opportunity available to help with the growing expenses of participating in high school sports. We would like to thank our Dover PAC as they are instrumental in their support in helping to run athletics at Dover Bay. **We are currently looking for coaches for the grade 8 boys volleyball teams (we usually run 2 teams but it will depend on acquiring coaches). If you are interested please contact Bill McWhinnie:

bmcwhinnie@sd68.bc.ca



YEARBOOKS



We will be having a homeroom in the last 10 min of block C at 2:45 pm on Wednesday, September 20th, in order to distribute yearbooks.

We will also be distributing the photo flyers needed to order student photos. Each

flyer will include the code to use for placing your order. Photographer's website:

www.conceptphoto.ca

BORN IN SEPTEMBER



Leonard Cohen



Tatiana Maslany



Sara Levv



Russell Peters



Keanu Reeves



Avril Lavigne

Dover Bay 2023 Open House

Thursday, September 21 6:30 – 8:00pm



Dover Bay will be hosting our Open House next Thursday evening at 6:30pm. The intent of the open house is for parents/guardians to get a chance to see our school, meet your child's teachers, and hear about the course content that you can expect. Staff will not be discussing student progress as it is still early in the semester!

Your child will be provided with a handout next Wednesday, where they will fill in their classes, teachers, and room numbers. You will use this document to navigate the school, so please ensure you arrive with it!

6:30 Arrival Feel free to arrive at 6:30pm and orient yourself to the building!

6:45 – 7:00 *Go to your child's Block A class for 6:45pm for the general greeting from Dover Bay Administration on Teams. The MPR will be available for parents without a Block A Destination.

Block Rotation

7:00-7:10pm – Block A

Announcement for Block Rotation

7:15 -7:25pm Block B

Announcement for Block Rotation

7:30-7:40pm – Block C

Announcement for Block Rotation

7:45-7:55pm – Block D

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Students: Please fill in your classes on the chart below including subject, teacher name, and room number. On the back of this page, you will find a map. Please highlight or circle the locations of all four classes. Your parent/guardian will use this information to navigate the school, so please ensure you complete it and pass it along to your parents at the end of the day.

TIME	BLOCK	SUBJECT	TEACHER	ROOM
7:00 – 7:10	A			
7:15 – 7:25	B			
7:30 – 7:40	C			
7:45 - 7:55	D			

Parent Information: Order of the Evening

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6:45 – 7:00 Please go to your child's Block A class for a general greeting from Dover Bay Administration (on Teams) which will begin at 6:45. The MPR will be available for parents without a Block A Destination.

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