



## DOVER BAY SECONDARY

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**October 19, 2023**

Principal: Mr. Geoff Steel

Vice-Principals: Ms. Kim Hart & Ms. Michelle Smith

**E-R-A-S-E  
BULLYING**

### **ERASE Bullying**

A confidential and anonymous,  
online reporting tool for students.  
Online parent resources at:

[www.erasebullying.ca](http://www.erasebullying.ca)

**NOVEMBER**



The School Newsletter is available to students and parents to view on-line, on the Dover Bay website: [www.doverbay.ca](http://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

- Nov 21** PAC meeting @ 6:30 pm in the Library
- Nov 22** Report Cards Published in MyEd
- Nov 23** **Wellington Secondary School** hosting  
Parent/Guardian Night (6 – 7 pm)
- Nov 24** Christmas Market in the Gym (6 – 9 pm)
- Nov 25** Christmas Market in the Gym (10-4pm)
- Nov 29** Jade Plant Sale @ Lunch in the Atrium
- Nov 29** NLPS Community Support Fair  
2:30 – 4:30 pm in Dufferin School Gym
- December**
- Dec 1** Dover Pancake Breakfast 7:30 – 9 am
- Dec 13-16** "FLEX" the musical (3 – 9 pm)  
in the Multipurpose Room
- Dec 18** Band Concert (starts at 6 pm)  
in the Multipurpose Room
- Dec 19** Art Showcase (3 – 10 pm)  
in the Multipurpose Room
- Dec 21** Coast Salish Moon Feast (12noon-3pm)  
in the Multipurpose Room
- Dec 22** School Wide Kahoot and Locker cleanout
- Dec 22** Last day of classes before Winter Vacation

### DOVER BAY SCHOOL GOAL REVISION

Our Dover Bay Community will be involved in a process to gather feedback on current and future school goals. Students, Families, and Staff will all have a say in how to adjust, improve or add to our school goals. Currently we have four school goals: ***Environmental Sustainability, Continuous Improvement of Instruction and Assessment, Truth and Reconciliation and Inclusive Learning and Work Environment.*** We will be sending out a short survey to all families on Wednesday of this week. We encourage everyone to provide feedback that will be used to update our goals to create an even better school!

Hay ch q'u /Thank -You,

**Geoff Steel**



## MYED PARENT ACCESS TO REPORT CARDS

For instructions on how to log into MyED visit the Dover Bay MyEd help [page](#). It is recommended that you start with the second page to ensure pop-ups are enabled. If you have ensured that pop-ups are enabled and logged in by going **through the Dover Bay website** and still receive an error message, click on "I forgot my password" to reset your password yourself.

If you receive any of the following messages:

- Your account is disabled from resetting your password
- Invalid login
- Your account has expired

close all tabs, clear your browsing history, and then try again.

If you need further assistance - email:

Need Help? Contact us at this email ———  
> [DV-FamilyPortalQuestions@sd68.bc.ca](mailto:DV-FamilyPortalQuestions@sd68.bc.ca)

## ECO CLUB NEWS

### Jade Plant Sale

This winter season, give the gift of tranquility!

In preparation for the upcoming chilly weather, Eco-Club would like to share some last-minute greenery with the community!

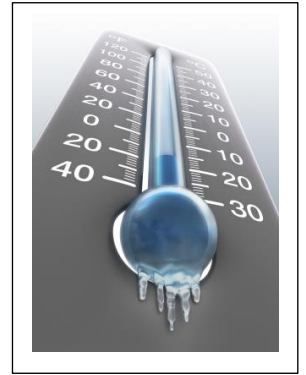
We are ecstatic to announce that we will be hosting a Jade Plant sale on November 26th, in the Atrium at lunch! Grown by our devoted members, the succulents are \$5.00 each and come with an informational packet detailing how to care for your plant. All proceeds from this event will go towards meeting our initiative expenses. To purchase, please note a preorder is required and can be completed through this [link](#). Additionally, the only payment method accepted will be cash.

We hope to see you there!



## Energy Cup Competition

Our Energy Ambassadors initiative is actively participating in the district-wide energy conserving competition, the Energy Cup. In the past 2 weeks of November, we have earned 60 points in this



competition. We are promoting using less energy by lowering the temperature, hosting Lights-out Lunches and Power Down days (unplug electronics at end of day) as well as encouraging teachers to close their blinds to prevent heat escape. Please come to our general meetings on Thursdays at lunch to learn how you can participate!

## DOVER BAY PAC

### JOIN US!

Hey parents and caregivers, the Dover Bay Parent Advisory Council (PAC) would LOVE to see some new faces! Come once a month to our low-commitment, value packed meetings (we promise - absolutely no fundraising!).

- *Finally* hear all the things your teen forgets to tell you about school!
- Gain time with the Principal and teachers!
- Meet other caregivers and connect over the joys (?) of raising teens!

We can't wait to see you there!

### MEETING DATES:

November 21, 2023

January 16, 2024

February 20, 2024

(6:30 PM in the Library)

Send questions to: [doverbaypacchair@gmail.com](mailto:doverbaypacchair@gmail.com)



## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On behalf of Student Council, we would like to tell you all about Dover's Community Christmas and the kick off event, Pancake Breakfast.

If you're not familiar with our annual tradition, Community Christmas is a two week long competition between C block

classes to see who can raise the most money for Loaves and Fishes and other local organizations. We will be collecting money rather than non-perishable food items.

The top three classes will not only get to choose a specific charity to donate to, but they will each get a pizza party! The money raised by all of the other classes will be donated to Loaves and Fishes, our

local food bank. Last year we raised over seven thousand dollars! Donations will be collected from December 1st to December 14th.



To kick off this fundraising event, Dover will be hosting its annual Pancake Breakfast. On Friday December 1st students are invited to partake in a breakfast feast! Entry is by donation, which will go toward the Community Christmas total. We will have plenty of pancakes, hash browns, sausages, eggs, hot chocolate, and orange juice for you and your friends to enjoy. Doors will open at 7:30! Breakfast is on a first-come first-serve basis, so we recommend showing up early/on time so that we can do our best to ensure that you get your food.

Although this may seem like an early morning, December 1st also happens to be PJ day. Wear your coziest pajamas, and get your friends to do the same.

Thank you for supporting our event!



## VIU CONNECTIONS NEWS

### Recruiter Corner

Vancouver Island University student recruiters, Rolanda Murray and Francesca Paladino, visit the NLPS ED Talks Podcast booth to discuss post-secondary opportunities for students and adults. We ask the important questions that all potential students should consider: How can students prepare for applying? What should students consider when looking for a post-secondary institution or a particular program? Are there pros and cons to leaving town or living at home while attending university?

Listen here:

<https://www.sd68.bc.ca/podcast/rolanda-murray-francesca-paladino-viu-student-recruiters/>

### Advice from the Advisors

***"Go to the front of the line!"***

Do you have outstanding students applying to university? Don't forget about VIU's **Incoming Outstanding Student Initiative** whereby the strongest academic students who qualify will be awarded the highest priority for registering for classes. Applying is easy and applications must be received by March 31, 2024.

### Upcoming Events:

**Child & Youth Care Information Session, November 22, 2023 | 4 to 5 PST (Webinar via Zoom)**

Join us at an upcoming CYC Information Session to find out more about the Child and Youth Care Profession and the diploma and degree options available to you.

For more information or to register for the event, visit <https://events.viu.ca/child-youth-care-information-session>



### Find a place to thrive

"From day one, it felt like a place I belonged and could thrive in. Going from high school into university is definitely stressful and scary and induces a lot of anxiety, so having people you can learn from and who have gone through the same feelings as you makes you feel less alone." – Talela Manson

**Horticulture Open House, Monday, November 27, 2023 | 2 to 5 pm - GR Paine Horticultural Centre (2324 East Wellington Road, Nanaimo)**

There will be:

- Student-grown poinsettia sales
- Greenhouse and Landscape tours
- Meet the instructional team
- Swag making by donation
- Giveaways and door prizes!

**Services for Aboriginal Students Highlights**

VIU's 'su'luqw'a' Community Cousins have inspired an Indigenous peer mentorship program in Belize!

Check out this blog post for more information:

[Indigenous peer mentors join international cooperation project](#)

**VIU Off-Campus Housing**

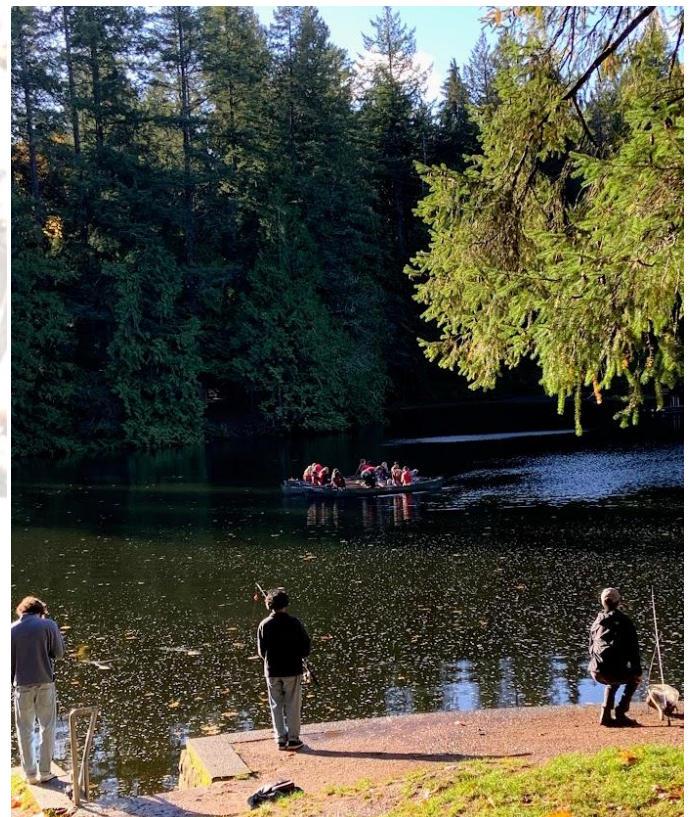
VIU Off-Campus Housing offers information and support throughout the rental accommodation journey. Students access help with preparing applications, finding listings and roommates, budgeting, understanding contracts and fees, dealing with issues and conflicts and finding temporary accommodation. We also offer [VIU Rent Wise](#), a free course to help VIU students become 'educated tenants and great neighbours' - especially useful to first-time renters.

For more information, visit the [Off-Campus Housing homepage](#) or [contact Off-Campus Housing](#).

**OUTDOOR CLUB**

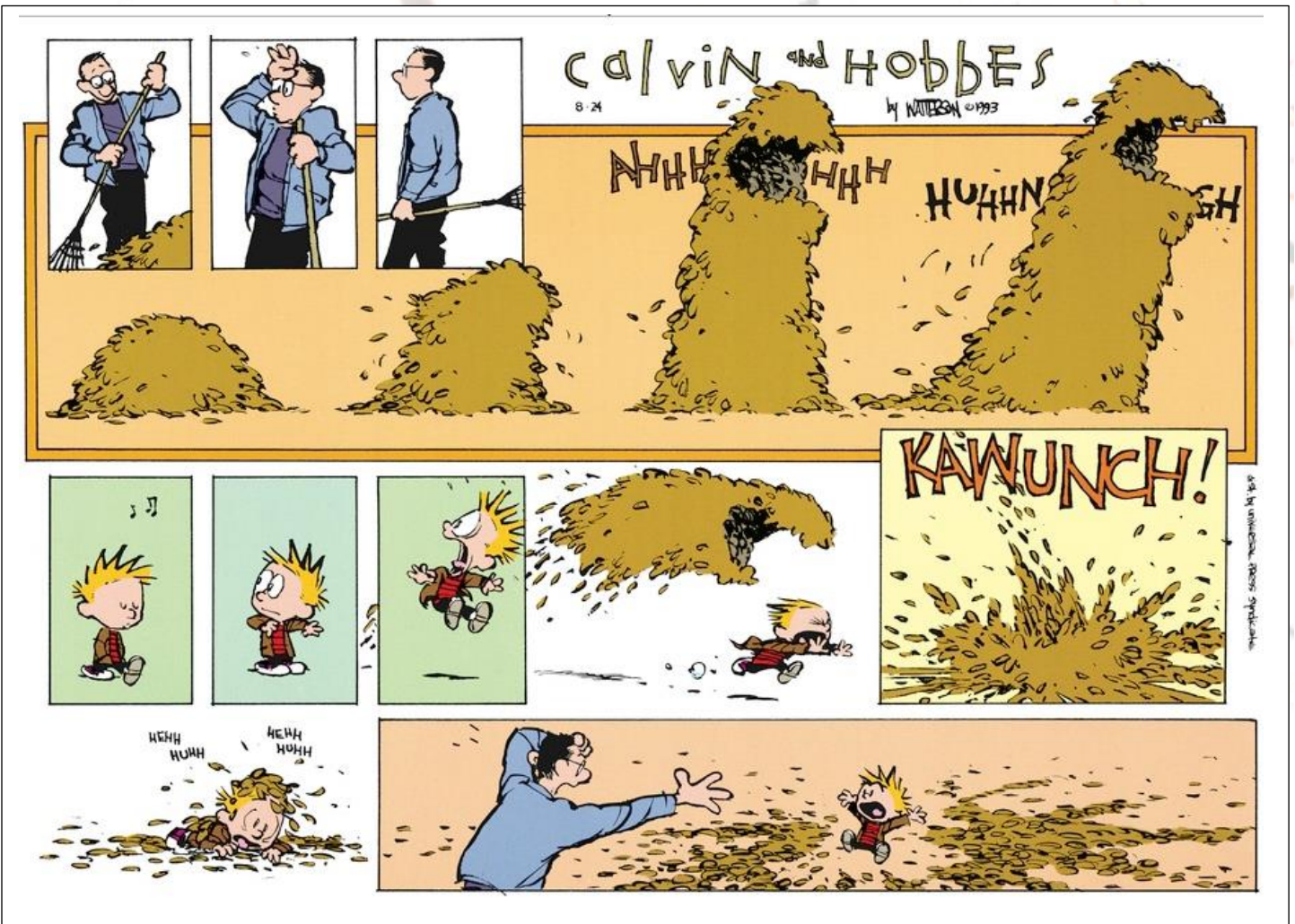


October and early November has been filled with learning of on-water safety and canoeing strokes. Students paddled locally in Page Lagoon and out to Three Lagoon Islands Park, in Departure Bay and out to Jesse Island, in Westwood Lake, and in Colliery Dam. Next up is orienteering, hiking, and climbing safety.





If you are interested in helping support students experience outdoor pursuits, we have donation opportunities available to help with gear and the expenses of outdoor activities. We would like to thank our Dover Bay PAC for their continued support helping students experience the outdoors. If you are interested in supporting the Dover Bay Outdoor Education program, please contact David Chin: [David.chin@sd68.bc.ca](mailto:David.chin@sd68.bc.ca)



PLEASE JOIN US

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# PARENT/GUARDIAN NIGHT

@ WELLINGTON  
SECONDARY

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NOVEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

LOCATION

3135 Mexicana Rd, Nanaimo

The **Discovery Youth and Family Substance Use Services** team is coming to Wellington for a presentation on drug use and teens- and what services they can offer.

This free Nanaimo service is a community-based counselling service and has access to treatment for youth struggling with addiction.

All parents/guardians are welcome!  
Tea and treats provided- see you then!





# NLPS Community Supports Fair



All families/caregivers are invited to an informal opportunity to learn about some of the Nanaimo area community agencies that support children and youth. Come to find out about agencies' services, ask questions, and build community connections face to face.

**What:** A collection of booths hosted by community agency staff with take-away information highlighting services offered by some of the school district's community partners.

**Who:** Representatives of community agencies supporting school-aged children and families in Nanaimo area.

**When:** November 29, 2023, 2:30-4:30 \*DROP-IN any time

**Where:** Dufferin School Gym/Meeting Space 1111 Dufferin Crescent

