

The Grapevine

Alberni District Secondary School
February, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Important Upcoming Dates

- Fri. Feb 19 – Pro Day – NO SCHOOL
- Mon. Feb 22 – Pro Day – NO SCHOOL
- Fri. Feb 26 – Grad Transition booklets due to Career Centre
- Feb 29 – Gr. 12 Scholarship Assembly
- March 8 – Interim Reports sent home
- Fri. Mar. 18 – Last day of classes before Spring Break
- March 21 – April 1 – SPRING BREAK
- Mon. April 4 – First day of classes after Spring Break

CLUBS, TEAMS AND GROUPS

ADSS Model United Nations Club – Tuesdays, Lunch time – Activity Room 1 – Oliver Witham, President

Debate Club – Meets Tuesdays after school and Wed. at lunch time – Rm. 203 – Mme. Chambers – Teacher

Wrestling Junior Varsity (8's/9's and beginners), Tuesday and Thursday (3:30-5pm)

Wrestling Senior Varsity (10-12's), Monday and Wednesday (3:30-5pm)

Contacts: Jeannette Badovinac, jbadovinac@sd70.bc.ca

John McDonald, jmcdonald@sd70.bc.ca

Russell Bodnar, rbodnar@sd70.bc.ca

Drama Club meets Thursdays at lunch in the DRAMA ROOM (room T-9).

Bee Keeping Club – TBA

2016 GRAD PROM COMMITTEE

Hi ADSS Grads! The past few months have been quite busy with numerous fundraisers and many meetings. We still have quite a few fundraisers left before June, so we need to make sure we get lots of volunteers out to help out with them! We are also offering everyone who volunteers for any fundraisers extra chances at winning the door prizes at Prom, as well as possible credits back towards your prom ticket. Here are the important dates and events to remember for the next month:

-Prom tickets are now on sale for \$75 and may be purchased during lunch time at ADSS on Tuesdays.

-The second order of Grad hoodies and sweatpants are now on sale. The forms and money are due on March 8th and can be picked up at ADSS on April 8th.

-There will be grocery bagging at Quality Foods on March 15th from 4-6pm. This is an easy fundraiser, and we will need 2-3 people for it.

-March 10th is the Beverage and Burger night at Boston Pizza. It is 19+ only and will include silent auctions, 50/50 draws, and delicious food. The tickets are \$20 each

-April 9th is our next bottle drive date. These always bring in a large amount of money and are super easy and fun! We need people to both drive and pick up bottles, as well as to stay behind and sort. Hotdogs and pop will be provided for anyone who helps out

There will be more events following these ones so make sure you keep your eye out for the next grapevine, or check out our Facebook page ADSS Grad 2016. You can contact Rhonda Doughty at rhondadoughty@shaw.ca to sign up and for more details.

STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES AND OVERDUE TEXT BOOKS AND LIBRARY BOOKS

One of the single largest expenses that our school deals with on a year to year basis is related to the replacement of textbooks and library books that have been borrowed but not returned. On average, replacement of lost, damaged or non-returned textbooks costs the school \$25,000 each year. This a very large number and greatly impacts the funds that we have available to support other needs in the school. Whether your student attended ADSS, EJ Dunn or AW Neill last year, it would be greatly appreciated if you have a look around the house for any books that belong to the school district. Any books can be returned to ADSS. We will ensure that books belonging to other schools make their way back to the appropriate library.

Student Activity fees for the 2015-2016 school year can be paid to Ms. Levasseur in the counselling office. This fee supports various students' activities and special events throughout the year.

GRAD TRANSITIONS COURSE

In order to meet graduation requirements and be awarded a British Columbia Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Diploma), students must earn a minimum of 80 credits. These must include 48 credits for required courses, a minimum of 28 elective credits, and 4 credits for Graduation Transitions.

At ADSS, the Grad Transitions Program includes 4 parts: a booklet (questions, budget, future planning), 30 hours of recorded work or volunteer hours, 90 hours of documented physical activity (excused if you have taken PE 11 or 12) and a Grad Exit interview. For further information contact the Career Centre at 250-723-1191. The booklet in a fillable form is available on the ADSS website for students to download and complete – **it is due February 26th**. This year the booklet includes some extra Grad Ceremony and yearbook paperwork including the Cap & Gown order form. The exit interviews will take place during school on **Thursday, April 28th**

GRAD PHOTOS

If you are graduating and haven't had a grad photo taken yet, we encourage you to do so soon! There are several choices – Stirling Images, Lifetouch and Walmart. There is a March 1st deadline to have the photos in the Yearbook.

Stirling Images – book your appointment directly with Erica Watson.

250-723-2950 (H)

250-720-5575 (C)

Email - stirlingimages@shaw.ca

Facebook – Stirling Images Photography or ADSS Grad Portraits

Life Touch

To book an appointment, go online to: www.lifetouch.ca/qualicum, scroll down to "choose your location" and select your school name from the drop down menu. When the new page opens, hit "schedule", choose no charge sitting. If you prefer, please call our office to book your appointment at 250-738-0983.

Your sitting includes a variety of 15 poses. For photos with friends, family or pets, please bring \$10.00 to the photographer. Please dress in your favorite personal attire as some poses will be taken in your own clothes as well as the grad gown. Please feel free to bring your own props, such as Sports Equipment, Musical instruments, etc. Ladies, please wear a tank type top that will not be visible in the V neck of the gown. Gentlemen, please wear a dress shirt with a button up collar. We can provide a tie. Everyone, please be sure your hands and nails are looking their best as they will show in some poses! Please come 10 minutes early to check in and get ready.

YEARBOOKS – Deadline Extension

Friesen has continued our sales extension! You can still purchase the 2016 yearbook for just \$55. This year's edition also includes over 20 photos that "come alive" with video using the Aurasma app. Come to the Career Centre for an order form or more info!

ADSS BREAKFAST CLUB

Volunteers were very, very busy during exam week feeding over 400 students throughout the day before and after their exams. The students are always so appreciative to have the food available especially during what can be a stressful time. Thank you to all of our volunteers that donate their time every week and throughout exams. You are very much appreciated!!

The ADSS Breakfast Club accepts monetary donations, they can be dropped off at the ADSS office or at any Scotiabank teller, just specify that it is for the ADSS Breakfast Club. If you would like to donate \$50 or more and would like a tax receipt, cheques can be made out to SD 70, subject line- ADSS Breakfast Club, if cash (\$50+), please include your name/address information. Please drop them off at the ADSS office. We appreciate your help

We are currently looking for suits and grad dresses. If you have grad clothing that you would like to donate, we will gladly accept it, please bring it to the ADSS office. Or if you or your business has any services that a grad may need (free haircuts, dry cleaning services, nails, etc.) please feel free to email Melody at mjburton@shaw.ca.

We also accept all QF and Fairway receipts; they are collected and turned into gift cards that are then distributed to at-risk students. Receipts can be dropped at the school office for Melody.

We would like to thank you the following people and community groups for their donations to Breakfast Club and their continued support of our students and program:

- Port Alberni Toy Run
- Maggie Hodge Kwan
- Arrowsmith Flooring- Johnny and Kathy Ruissen
- Mel and Bryan Bontron
- The PEAK staff
- Save On Foods
- AV Bulldogs
- Samantha Burton
- Centennial Belles
- Melissa and Brennen Cross
- SD 70
- AV Times
- Peter Mugelson
- Scotiabank
- Heather Mallory
- Amy and Tyler Komjati
- Tricia Knight
- Allana Tweedie and Dr. Fouad
- Nicole Steinbach
- Doug Book @ Fairway Market
- Marilee and Cory Alexander
- Dry Grad Committee 2015
- Circle Dairy
- Neelam Parmar and Family
- Sharon Reyes
- Breakfast for Learning
- Breakfast Clubs of Canada
- Best Western Plus Barclay Hotel staff
- Hospital Employees Union CUPE local 6160 Fir Park/ Echo
- Rodney Rogers and wife
- Rotary Club
- Preceptor Gamma Beta
- Nikki Levasseur
- Carl Poole
- Laura Boyce
- Nicole Dixon and Family
- 1977 Grad Reunion Class
- Swale Rock
- Salvation Army
- Don Ferster of Jim's Clothes Closet
- Heather Maddison of Studio H
- Dave Ralla
- Francine Emmonds
- Sandy and Ted Gilbert
- Circle Dairy
- Our Amazing Volunteers!!!

If we have missed anyone, we are truly sorry, that was not our intention.

GRAD TRANSITIONS COURSE

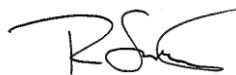
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NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION

The Grapevine newsletter is one of our primary ways of keeping parents up to date on info and events at the school. The costs associated with printing 1300 copies of this newsletter are substantial. In order to limit both costs and waste we traditionally only send home a printed copy of the newsletter for the first month of the year and then move to emailing electronic copies directly to those who wish to subscribe. If you would like to receive the monthly newsletter via email, please contact our secretary Michelle Bauer mbauer@sd70.bc.ca and ask to have your name added to our mailing list.

If you have received this newsletter via email and you no longer wish to receive The Grapevine, please contact school secretary Michelle Bauer at (250) 723-6251 extension 2401 or email her at mbauer@sd70.bc.ca to have your name removed from our mailing list.



Rob Souther
Acting Principal

The Naden Band of the Royal Canadian Navy
PACIFIC FLEET DIXIE



IN CONCERT

Tuesday, March 1st at 7:00 p.m.

Alberni District Secondary School Theatre
Sponsored by the ADSS MUSIC DEPARTMENT
ADMISSION BY DONATION

For more information on the Naden Band, please visit their website at: www.nadenband.ca
For more information on the Royal Canadian Navy, please visit their website at:
www.navy.forces.gc.ca

North Island Wildlife Recovery Association Volunteers present:

Learning from BONES



A HANDS-ON WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 2016 • 1:15 - 4:00 P.M.
AT THE QUALICUM BEACH COMMUNITY CIVIC CENTRE

PASSPORT TO LEARNING FROM THE BONES



The whole family can take part in the Learning from the Bones Bio facts adventure and WIN prizes!



FEATURING

Wildlife Photographers
Michael Yip and Steve Williamson

Amateur photography exhibition
from your community

MEET THE ARTIST



Guest artist **Michel Shutte** will be on hand with his original painting of the Port Hardy bear cubs, Jordan and Athena. Original for sale by sealed auction item – bidding open until August 31 2016.

Prints are for sale by pre-order – samples will be on hand at the event

LIVE RAPTORS



SILENT AUCTION



For FUN 
and for FUNDS 

Bidding closes at 3:30



SCREENING OF NIWRA'S
AWARD WINNING
DOCUMENTARY

Wellness to Wilderness

Show times 1:30 pm & 2:45 pm
Video will be available for purchase



NIWRA Wildlife
Garden information



Launching of the 2016
NIWRA Events and
Interpretive programs



Admission by Donation

All proceeds from this event go to support
NIWRA wildlife care and education programs

Payments for purchases and donations can be made by





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"Where your body is our business"

To: ADSS SD70
4000 Roger St,
Port Alberni, BC
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We would like to present a great opportunity for the students at A.D.S.S. We are implementing a new set monthly rate for your students here at Slammers Gym! Following is the Membership Fee Structure we have put in place for students. Please have students show their student cards and have parents' consent and banking information at the time of sign up.

If students are currently members at our facility, their rate will be adjusted accordingly upon request.

Rates are as follows:

Pre-Authorized Monthly Payments of \$25.00 + tax

Slammers Gym Key Card: \$4.76 + tax

**** This type of membership is exclusive to students of A.D.S.S. ****

Thanks in advance.

Any questions or concerns, please feel free to email us at reception@slammersgym.ca

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