

The Grapevine

Alberni District Secondary School May 2, 2012

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Regarding marks for Term 3

On April 19th students brought home report cards for the school year up to April 5th. For students with semester I courses that have provincial exams attached to them: English 10, Science 10, Foundations and Pre-calculus Math 10, Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10, Social Studies 11, their mark will reflect that we are still in process with the final mark.

Because of the teachers' strike, this is the first time that the school had received the teacher's final mark for the course. Therefore, we had not yet submitted a school mark to the Ministry of Education. This was done on Monday, April 23. Once this has been done, the school mark is blended with the mark on the provincial exam and the final course mark was then provided by the Ministry of Education.

Please bear with us as we work through a process that normally has occurred prior to us issuing the second report card. The correct final mark for each provincially examinable course will be on the final report card in June.

If you wish to know those marks beforehand, or wish further clarification, please contact your child's counselor.

June 2012 Scheduling

- June 15 is the last day of formal classes for this school year. Departmental exams for all students will begin on Monday, June 11, starting at 9:00 am. Provincial exams will start on June 20, at 9:00 am.
- June 15 is also the day that we hold yearend assemblies. These are the last assemblies ever to be held in this building. They will take a bit longer than usual and the Scholarhips and Bursary awards will be incorporated into the grade 11/12 assembly. We won't be taking a break for lunch and will follow a similar schedule to other years at this time. You can expect your student to be dismissed no later than 1:00 pm.
- June 18 exam is for grade 9 only (Science 9)
- June 19 exam is for grade 9 only (Mathematics 9)
- June 20 provincial exams begin (see schedule)
- Because June 18 marks the date at which we begin serious packing, teachers do not have sufficient flexibility to accept student late assignments. Therefore, all assignments that students are expecting teachers to include in their final course assessment must be submitted no later than June 15.

June 2012 Provincial and School Based Exam Schedule

Mon. June 18	Tues. June 19	Wed. June 20	Thurs. June 21	Fri. June 22
Science 9 – Gym 8:45 – 11:35 am O1 Clark O2 Badovinac O3 Clark O4 Badovinac O5 Badovinac O6 Ralston O7 Ralston O8 Clark O9 Thomas 12 Dvorak	Mathematics 9 – Gym 8:45 – 11:35 am 01 Ralston 02 Rees 03 Clark 04 Barber 05 Wheatley 06 Ralston 07 Ralston 08 Clark 09 Anderson 10 Raybeck 11 Rees 12 Dvorak 13 Rees	AWM 10 - Gym 9:00 am 02 Anderson 04 Gretchen 05 McMillan 06 Gretchen E-Exam - Room 1099 FMP 10 - Gym 1:00 pm 02 Peterson 03 Thomas E-Exam - Room 1099	SCH 11 – Room 1099 1:00 pm SS 11 - Gym 1:00 pm 03 Poole 04 Poole 06 Lavery 07 Ostwald E-Exam – Room 1099	English 10 - Gym 9:00 am 01L McLaren 02L Gretchen 03L Pohar 01 McLaren 05 McAuley 07 McLaren 08 Lavery 09 McAuley 10 Money E-Exam — Room 1099 Com. 12 — Room 1099 1:00 pm 01 Money
Mon. June 25	Tues. June 26	Wed. June 27	Thurs. June 28	Fri. June 29
English 12 - Gym 9:00 am 02 Seredick 04 Rust 07 Rust 08 Pohar	FRAL 12 – Room 1099 9:00 am		Report Card Distribution 9:00 am – 12:00 pm 1:00 – 3:00 pm	Report Card Distribution 9:00 – 12:00 pm
E-Exam – Room 1099 Science 10 - Gym 1:00 pm 04 Pearson 05 Badovinac 08 Badovinac 10 Pearson E-Exam – Room 1099	Civic Studies 11 1:00 pm Room 1099	Textbook Return? Please return your textbooks to the as soon as possible. June 18 – 21 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (Book Room) June 22 8:00 am – 1:30 pm (Book Room) June 25 10:00 am – 1:00 pm (Book Room) 2:00 – 4:00 pm (Career Centre) June 26, 27 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (Career Centre) June 28, 29 Report Card Distributions Hours		

I'd like to congratulate Derrick Van Viegen who is this year's recipient of the VIU President's Entrance Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to the top graduating student who is attending VIU and is worth approximately \$25.000 over a 4 year period if Derrick is able to maintain a high GPA. Derrick has worked extremely hard to be eligible for this impressive scholarship.

Textbook Returns

We have had a very poor return of textbooks from 1st semester and it has impacted students this time in a very negative way. Some students have been unable to get textbooks until midway through the 2nd semester. Time has been wasted because school staff has had to try and track down students to ask them to return the texts and teachers have had to photocopy pages from textbooks so that other students can have print to work from. Additionally, textbooks are not always being returned in good condition and it is hard to keep up with the graffiti and damage that some students have inflicted upon their texts.

We have thousands of dollars of taxpayer money that is lost because of these actions.

Student Dress

As we enter into the warmer weather I am aware that some students like to wear less in the way of clothing. However, sometimes too little is too much! The current fad seems to be for really short shorts. Those are fine on the beach but not at school. We're not trying to offend anyone but if a student does wear clothes that are really revealing they may be asked to cover up.

Sometimes it's too much underwear showing and sometimes it's too much skin. But if student dress crosses the line into something that's inappropriate for school students may be asked to dress appropriately.

When did you graduate???

Always wished you'd bought a yearbook? You're in luck. The library is clearing out old yearbooks if you or someone you know graduated in 1964,1968,1969,1974,1977,1984,1985,1989 or 1990. Please contact the school. All yearbooks will be sold for \$10 with proceeds going to the library.

Where in the World Are They Now?

In each issue of the Grapevine we highlight one ADSS graduate. If you know of anyone who has graduated from ADSS and would be willing to share their "story" we'd be happy to feature it.

This month I want to introduce you to Casey Zaharoff. Casey graduated from ADSS in 2003 and is now in the Canadian military, stationed in Edmonton. Casey has had a tour of duty in Afghanistan and we're all happy that he's safely back home in Edmonton.

The actual job that Casey does for the Canadian military is related to training, but specifics are a bit hard to find. Nonetheless, we're proud of Casey and what he represents for our school and our community.

Congratulations to Term 3 Honor Roll Students

Note: To be eligible for the Honor Roll a student must have a 'B' average over all courses registered in for that term. If a student is half-time or less that student is not considered for this recognition. If a student is registered in grade 12, this calculation is done on at least 3 courses, because some students in grade 12 are registered in only 3 courses. This calculation is done at the time of report card printing and does not account for any changes which may occur after report cards have been printed.

PRINCIPAL'S ROLL

ADDY, CHRISTOPHER; AHIRA, ASHLEY; BADOVINAC, NOLAN; BARKER, DEVON; BARRETT, KIMBERLEY; BINGHAM, CHELSEA; BUXTON, MORGAN; CHENG, ANGELA; CLEMENT, CHANELLE; DASS, NIKEISHA; DAVENPORT, STEVEN; DIETRICH, EVAN; ELLEY, JESSA; ELLEY, SARAH; FATUR, MIRANDA; FRECHETTE, SHAYLA; GEDDES, DANIKA; GILL, CARLY; GRANT, KRISTA; HART, RYAN; HAWKINS, BAILEY; HOPKINS, SEAN; HUNDAL, JOY; JAMIESON-MILLS, RYLEY; JEFFERY, TRISTAN; KEIZER, BRUCE; KIMOTO, KAITLYN; LAUZON, RHEA; LUND, TESS; MARTIN, ELLIS; OFFEREIN, BENJAMIN; OLDALE, ARLENE; OSTROPOLSKI, SABRINA; RAI, HARLEY; RICHARDSON, MORGAN SCHIEVINK, KATE; SIDHU, JAS; SIDHU, KAL; SIDHU, PAUL; SNEDDON, SHEENA; STEPHENS, ADAIRA; STOLZ, JESSIE; TAYLOR, CHARLES; TEWINKEL, COLE; THIBODEAU, JORGAN; THURLEY, NEIL; TURNER, KYLE; VAN VIEGEN, DERRICK; VANDERLEE, JOEL; WATTS, SARANDA; WEBB, KATHERINE; WHITE, SHANNON; WILKIE, EMILY; WILLIAMSON, BRANDON; WONG, WINNIE; WU, ERIC; WYNANS, NATHANIEL

HONOUR ROLL

GRADE 09

ADDY, MICHAEL; ANDERSEN, LYRIC; ANDERSON, ALYSSA; ANDERSON, JORY; BANKS, JULIA; BECKETT, JARRED; BEHNKE, RYAN; BERRY, JAIME; BERRY, MACKENZIE; BODALY, MAXX; BOIRE, DANIELLE; BURGESS, CHELSEY; CAMPBELL, BOBBY; CHARLESWORTH, CHELSEY; CHARLESWORTH, MIKE; CLEMENT, CHERISH; CROXEN-WUTKE, MACKENZIE; CUMMING, NATALIE; CUTFORTH, BRAIDEN; DENNIS, SHAUNA; DOLLING, GRIFFIN; FIELD, COLIN; FINLAYSON, CALVIN; GEDDES, CAMERON; GILGES, ALANNA; GILL, ERIC; GITELMAN, CARLEY; HEARN, SARA; HILL, ELISABETH; HORNE, MADYSEN; JOHNSON, ALYSSA; JOHNSON, CASSIA; KILLOUGH, JESSE; KIM, ALAN; KULICH, JOHANNES; KUMAGAI, LEAH; KURUCZ, CHRIS; LA PRADE, NIKOLAS; LAW, JESSE; LEYLAND, DEAN; LOCKWOOD, DARRYN; MACLEOD, COLLIN; MACLEOD, KIRSTYN; MATTHEWS, AUSTIN; MAXON, KAITLYN; MCCURDY, JESSI; MILLER, JANNA; MONCUR, SAM; O'DONOVAN, KENNEDY; OLIVER, MATT; PLEY, KARISSA; PREEDY, CHRISTINA; PRICE, RYAN; QUACH, ANDREW; REDMAN, MADISON; SAMSON, OSYRUS; SCHMIDT, MATT; SIEBEN, JUSTIN; SIMISTER, GARETT; SKARLAND-GARCIA, CALLIE; SLOAN, LIAM; SNAITH, CONNOR;

STEED, SHELLSEA; STEPHENS, KESSA; STOLL, LOGAN; SUNDSTRUM, ETHAN; TEWINKEL, CALLIE; THOMAS, EVELYN; THOMAS-ERMTER, SHAYDAN; THURSTON-MERCER, BRINKLEY; TUINSTRA, SARAH; VAN VIEGEN, RACHEL; VANDERLEE, EMMA; VANDERLEE, SOPHIE; WEBER, DYLAN; WELSH, ANGELLE; WILLISCROFT, DANA; WONG, ELSON; WYNANS, TIM; YAREDIC, ADAM; ZODICHI, SAM

GRADE 10

ANDERSON, JAKE: ASMAN, BLAINE: BANKS, CARINA: BARBER, XANTHE: BEAULAC, JOSHUA; BLAIS, TAYLOR; CADDY, BRAYDEN; CASAVANT, NATHANIEL; CLASON, MARLEY; CONTANT, ANNEKE; COX, BRENNA; DAWSON, HANNAH; DEJONG, JOSHUA; DEKONINCK, MARIAH; DIEVERT, CASANDRA; DINGS, DARREN; DWOLINSKY, HALEY; EDGAR, DENAE; GALBRAITH, JOEL; GAUDREAULT, CHASE; GRAY, SARAH; HARTT, CHANTAL; HUDSON, JULIA; HUFFMAN, ELISE; HUNTER, MARISSA; JAMIESON, MADDY; JOHNSON, ROSS; KEMPS, MACKENZIE; KREIN, NATHAN; KUXHAUS, RILEY; LANGILLE KAILYN; LAVERTU, JORDAN; LESCORBEAU, ALLISSA; LIGHTFOOT, ASHLEY; LORIMER-PERKS, AUSTYN; LOUDON, JOHN: LOVE, NICHOLAS: MACDONALD, LOGAN: MACLEOD, AARAN: MARCELLUS-POOLE, CIANA; MCGIFFORD, MYCHAELA; MCNALLY, GEORGE; MEYER, SHANE; MINAKER, BRADEN; MOORE, AYLA; MURPHY, PAIGE; NEWMAN, EMILY; NEWTON, ERIC; NICHOLS, IVY: OLDALE, SAMANTHA; PADDOCK, LUKE: PAQUETTE, BRODY: PAQUETTE, TAYLOR; PATTERSON, LUCAS; PREVOST, SARAH; RAMSEY, HAILEY; RICHMOND-SUTTON, JOSHUA; ROBERTS, BROOKE; ROBSON, CORRINA; RYLES, JANELLE; SANGARA, KAYMON; SCHLICHTING, KANE; SCHNEIDER, REBECCA; SCHULZE, TRISTAN; SIM, DANIEL; SMYTH, CONNOR; SUTTON, BLAIR; THOMSON, TAYLOR; TOWNSEND, DEVIN; TRAN, MATTHEW; URSIC, CHRISTOPHER; VAN METRE, JAMES; VEITO, JENIKA; WADDELL, ALY; WAGNER, JORDAN; WICKMAN, JASON; WILSON, DAVID; WILSON, FREYJA; WILSON, SAMUEL; WING, RHEA

GRADE 11

ALARIE, DARRION; ANDEROSOV, KARA; ANDERSON, CHELSEA; BARBOSA, AHMBER; BEARDSWORTH, LYNDSEY; BITTER, BRIDGET; BROWN, MAEGAN; BRUNELLE, CHELSEA; BRUNT, JASON; BUFFIE, NIKKI; BUJOTZEK, SHAYLA; BUSE, RYAN; CAIN, NATHANIEL; CARTER, DAYLE; CREIGHTON, NICHOLAS; DEADDER, KYLE; DIAZ, KLAUS; DIROCCO, BRYCE; DREW, ALEXANDRIA; DUGGAN, MICHAELA; FERGUSON, MICHAEL; FINES, LAUREN; FORRESTER, AUSTIN; FOX, TAYLOR; FRECHETTE, KIERRA; GARCIA, REED; GRUMBACH, GINA; HAMMOND, JESSE; HARPER, JACOB; HAWCO, JESSICA; HAWKINS, KARRMEN; HECK, KAITLYN; HILTZ, RUSSELL; HUNTER, AMBER; IRG, NICOLE; IRVING, TYLER; KOCHAN, ASHLEY; KRAFT, REBECCA; KUMAGAI, COLIN; LA PRADE, KAINAN; LYONS, SEAN; MACLEOD, LIAM; MACZULAT, JOSHUA; MADEO, ANDREW; MARSH, COURTNEY; MATTHEWS, JACOB; MAXWELL, LYNDSAY; MCFAUL, JARYD; MCLAREN, SIMON; MERCER, KADE; MIHAYCHUK, ASHLEY; MILLER, REANNE; MINAKER, EVAN; MINHAS, BHAV; MITCHELL, JOEL; MURRAY, STUART; NADIG, ALEXX; NETZER, DERIC; NEUWIRTH, JESSE; OSTER, SHAE; OXLEY, SHELBY; PAINCHAUD, MORGAN; PARUK, KIMBERLY; PETTIGREW, BRITTANY; POULSEN, KYANA; PUREWAL, GAVIN; ROODBOL, MICHAEL; ROSE, L.J.; SARAN, MANVIR; SAVARD, JESSICA; SCHEFFERS, JOHNATHAN; SEABROOK, JAIMEE; SIMISTER, COLIN; SIMISTER, SABRINA; SMITH, TYSON; SOGGE, PAULA; SOMERVILLE, MARINO; STEINBACH, STEVEN; TAN, CELIAN; THOMPSON, ROBERT; TOTTENHAM, CIERRA; TURNER, COURTNEY; VILLETTE, GRAHAM; VISSIA, JESSIE; WATSON, HOPE; WHITE, RYAN; ZRYD, ANNIE

GRADE 12

BALLE, HAILEY; BANKS, JOEL; BARRETT, SYDNEY; BERNARD, GRANT; BERRY, CARLI; BERTOLUCCI, MATTHEW; BLAKE, DANIEL; BRADLEY, ALEXIS; CHASE, MEGAN; CLARKE, DYLAN; COLYN, SARA; CUSSON, ANDREW; CUSSON, DEVIN; DEAKIN, SHA; DONALD, JANE; DONOVAN, KEEGAN; FALCONER, BROCK; FORBES, TALEA; GALBRAITH, MATT; GILCHRIST, JESSICA; GOUNDAN, MELISSA; GRAHAM, MELISSA; HAGEN, KAYLEE; HAMELIN, KELSEY; HAMILTON, KEANNA; HANSEN, RACHEL; HEARD, QUINTON; HEMMINGSEN, SARAH; HEPP, CAMERON; HOLTMAN, JAMES; HORVATH, TYLER; HUDSON, LEAH; JAGER, QUINLAN; JOHN, CHRISSIE; KIDD, MORGAN; KLAVER, BRAEDEN; LAZORKO, CHASE; LINDSKOG, JAMIE; LITTLE, MIKE; LITTLE, NICKELAS; MANN, KIMBERLY; MARKO, LIVIA; MCAVOY, JORDYN; NELL, ESME; NEUFELD, JOHANNA; NICHOLSON-MIERAS, SYDNEY; NOVIELLO, JENESSA; OLDALE, ANDREW; OLDFIELD, BRITNEE; OLSON, MATHEW; OXLEY, AMANDA; PADDOCK, RILEY; PEDERSEN, CYDNEY; PENNER, KARYSSA; PREEDY, JENNIFER; RANDLES, ALYSSA; REYNOLDS, SYDNEY; SAVARD, ALYSSA; SHEWCHUK, TAYLOR; SHEWISH, OLIVIA; SIEBER-FOWLER, RAVEN; SNEDDON, DONOVAN; SPENCER, CHASE; STOECKLIN, JEREMY; SUTHERLAND, BRAEDON; TAYLOR, COLE; THIBODEAU, CORTLAND; TOLFO, DANIELLE; TURGEON, DAYLIN; VAN VLIET, MORGAN; VEITO, ASHLEY; WADDELL, NICOLAUS; WEBER, JORDAN; WILLISCROFT, BRETT: YOUNG, KAYLENE

Congratulations to ADSS Music Students

<u>BC Interior Jazz Festival, Kelowna</u> – Grade 9 Vocal Jazz – 1st place trophy, Jazz Band 9 – runner up trophy, all four Jazz combos – gold ratings, five Musicfest Canada new 2 year invitations and solo awards – Daniel Sim, Christina Wynans, Eric Sasaki, George McNally and Arlene Oldale.

<u>Vancouver Island Concert Band Festival</u> – Concert Bands 9, 10 and 11/12 – superior ratings and new 2-year invitations to Musicfest Canada

Music Spring Concerts

May 3, 7:00 pm, ADSS auditorium: Concert Band9, Jazz Bnad 9 and 10, Grade 9 Vocal Jazz, Senior Vocal Trio, Jazz Combos: Haley & the Comets, Arlene & the Astronotes, George & the Brass Monkeys and Guitarzan & the Jungle Cats.

May 4, 7:00 pm, ADSS auditorium: Concert Band 10 and 11/12, Jazz Band 11/12, Senior Vocal Trio, Senior Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combos – Tessalation Sound, Chicken Fajitas, What's Heppnin' and Lowanda Dussault Combo.

B.C.Interior Jazz Festival

On April 12,13 and 14 one hundred members of the ADSS Jazz program participated in the BC Interior Jazz Festival, held in Kelowna, B.C. This festival is hugely competitive. The ADSS Jazz groups managed to attain 11 gold ratings and 3 silver ratings, with the following trophies:

Junior Vocal Jazz-1st

Wookie Lust Combo (grade 10)-1st

Graham Villette Combo (Grade 11)-1st place Bad Jazzitude Combo (Grade 10)- runner up Jazz Band 10-runner up Congratulations to the following students who also received solo

awards: Eric Newton, James Van Metre, George McNally, Arlene Oldale, Graham Villette, James Holtman A huge thank-you to all the parents who chaperoned! We could not have done it without you!

Vancouver Island Concert Band Festival

ADSS also recently hosted the Vancouver Island Concert Band Festival. Congratulations to ADSS Concert Bands on their Excellent, Excellent Plus and Superior Ratings which garnered them 3 new two-year invitations to the Musicfest Canada Finals this year in Ottawa, next year in Toronto. Thank-you to all the students and parents who volunteered their time to make this event a success!

ALBERNI DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS THE SPRINGCONCERT

MAY 9th LINE-UP Concert Band 10 Senior Jazz Band Charlie & The Funk Factory Guitarzan and the Jungle Cats Stone Cold Passion Kitties Nothing But Treble Senior Concert Band Jive Alive

MAY 8th LINE-UP: Jazz Band 9 Senior Vocal Jazz Jazz Band 10 Graham Villette Trio Concert Band 9 Jazz Combo 9 Bad Jazzitude Wookie Lust Guests from Winfield, BC George Elliot Secondary with director Sergei Ryga

7:00 PM MAY 8th and 9th. 2012 in the ADSS AUDITORIUM ADMISSION BY DONATION

Driving Safety

It has come to my attention that some parents are using the driveway behind the Technology Building as a route to drop off their children before school. Please stop, if you're one of the ones using this route. It's very dangerous. Students are often there and there's no safe route through this. This driveway is for service vehicles only.

Further, I notice some parents stop right in the middle of Burde Street to drop of their child. This is a sure recipe for injury. It amazes me that it hasn't happened already. In the interests of safety, please pull over to the side of the road to let your child off at school. Students don't have to be dropped off at the front of the school. If it appears busy, turn onto Anderson Avenue or some other side street and drop your child off there. A bit of a walk in the morning is good for them!

Overdue Books, Overdue Books!

It's that time of year again when the library tries to round up all outstanding material. The great news is over 2900 books were checked out from September to May this year. The down side-currently, over 350 students have overdue library books! Chances are someone in your house might be guilty. Please encourage students to go through their bedrooms, binders, book bags and lockers and to grab the books they have at home and get them back to the library right away. There are no fines for late books but we do charge a replacement cost for lost ones. Want to check out if your child has any overdues? Contact the library through the school at Extension 243. Every year we lose hundreds of dollars on lost books which is money we'd rather spend on other resources. Remember grade 12 students with overdues will not be permitted to participate in the ADSS graduation ceremony and grades 9-11 will not receive their report cards.

As we prepare to move into the new school the sooner we get all our materials back the better.

Thanks for your support.

Hockey Academy News

The Alberni District Hockey Canada Skills Academy would like to thank the Alberni Valley Bulldog coaches, Kevin Willison and Adam Hayduk, and Director of Hockey Operations Rick Schievink for their "Give Back to The Academy" gift of \$500 to be issued as a second Academy bursary this year. The Academy is appreciative of their work as on-ice instructors and their desire to help our students achieve their athletic and academic goals. These bursaries will awarded during the Scholarship/Bursary Assembly, June 15 at 11:00 am in the ADSS auditorium.



Grad News

Volunteers Needed – Grad Parade

Due to teacher job action, this year's Graduation ceremonies will only happen with help from school district administrators and volunteers from the community. In particular, we will need help with the popular Grad Parade which occurs prior to the ceremony. Volunteers are needed between 4:30 and 6:30 on Friday, June 29th, 2012. If you can help out with this event, please contact Vice-Principal, Ron Behnke at (250) 723-6251 ext. 224 or rbehnke@sd70.bc.ca

Important Grad dates:

Grad 2012 is coming soon. This is an exciting time of year as we look forward to our graduation celebrations. There will be a special Grad 2012 Newsletter available on Friday, May 25th. It will contain all information, dates and times that students and parents can use to prepare for this year's graduation events.

May 23 – Selection of Grad 2012 Master of Ceremonies and Valedictorian (Lunch Assembly)

May 25 - Grad Newsletter distributed

June 15 – Scholarship/Bursary Recognition Assembly (11:00 am ADSS Auditorium)

June 29 - Class of 2012 Photo (4:30 pm ADSS Gym)

June 29 - Class of 2012 Grad Parade

June 29 - ADSS Graduation Ceremony (7:00 pm at AV Multiplex)

GRAD PARADE EARLY NOTICE!!

There will be a Grade Parade this year on June 29th!

Grad Photos and marshaling of cars will begin at 4:30 PM at ADSS on Friday, the 29th of June.

Registration forms will be available starting May 25th.

Get your registration in early as this is one event that you not want to miss!

Start making your plans NOW.

Dry Grad News:

Fundraising opportunities for the remaining month are as follows:

- -Garage Sale Saturday May 5th, 8am to 12 noon, ADSS school gym. Setup and drop off of donated items Friday May 4th from 2pm 7pm.
- -Jail & Bail, May 11th, 2:30pm 6pm at the No Frills parking lot.
- -Quality Foods bagging for QF points is currently being arranged, date and time to be announced.
- -Car Wash, Saturday May 19th (location to be announced)
- -Bottle Drive, Saturday May 26th, Canadian Tire parking lot, 10 am 3pm

Dry Grad event T-Shirts are available for purchase, \$25 each. Dry Grad event tickets are \$100 each, after June 1st, price will be \$125 each. Graduates that put \$50 deposit on event tickets can pick up tickets, along with free event T-shirt, during the week of May 14th. The remaining funds must be paid, less any fundraising credits, before you receive your ticket and event t-shirt.

Graduates who are not attending the Dry Grad event and wish to purchase their crossing the stage photo can do so for a \$20 fee. Please see Vanessa for payment.

Decorating Committee meets every Monday, 6:30pm, at the Jericho Road church (old Klitsa school). Please drop by if you are able to help or contact Carol at 250-723-7845.

Students are encouraged to continue attending the weekly student meetings for updates on graduation ceremonies and Dry Grad preparations.

Parents are encouraged to continue attending the Dry Grad meetings. Vanessa is at the school during lunch on Thursdays to collect any remaining funds and a parent will be available each day at lunch during the week of May 14th for the distribution of event tickets, t-shirts, etc. Dry Grad parent meetings will now be weekly. It is suggested to keep checking the information page through Facebook, ADSS Dry Grad 2012 group. Much of the updates and happenings are posted here.

Special request from Grade 11 parents! Your help is needed and appreciated with decorating prior to the event and security during the event. Please contact Vanessa @ 250-723-9561 if you are willing and able to help.

Any other concerns, questions or suggestions about the Dry Grad event, please **contact Vanessa** @ **250-723-9561**

Thank you in advance!
The Dry Grad Committee for 2012

Free Math Websites to help with Student Learning

(If you receive this newsletter online you can click on the pictures to directly view the websites)



1. http://www.brightstorm.com/math This site covers the topics of Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Precalculus and Calculus with online videos where Math teachers provide clear explanations of concepts and homework problems.

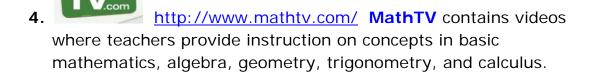


http://webmath.com/ "You'll find hundreds of instant-answer, self-help, math solvers, ready to

provide you with instant help on your math problem." You keyboard in your math problem and it provides the solution so you can check your answers. It also shows you how answers are computed.



3. Show Me how, now. http://www.algebasics.com/ this site provides audio tutorials for various topics including Algebra, Equations, Radicals and Quadratics.



Attending tutorials with your teacher is the best way to receive additional instruction, based on your learning needs. However, these websites can provide additional explanations and support when you are at home.

Message from the PAC

Due to the spring band concerts on May 8 & 9th, the **next PAC meeting** will be rescheduled for **Wednesday May 16th, 7pm, in the staffroom**. **Parents are encouraged to attend**. Principal Mike Ruttan will be giving updates on transitioning from old highschool to new highschool, upcoming exam schedules, and what is happening with graduation ceremonies. **Look forward to seeing you there!**

We would like to acknowledge and thank the following organizations and businesses who continue to make the Breakfast Club possible for the students of ADSS.

- Toy Run
- Safeway
- School District #70
- Lily Diotte at Swale Rock
- Port Alberni Rotary Club
- CUPE
- AV Times
- Coffee News
- Dennis Jonsson

Toy Run Dance 2012 Volunteers Needed Toy Run Dance

Mark your calendar: Saturday- September 15th @ Glenwood Center

- It is time once again to ask for help to find **30-40 volunteers for security** for the upcoming Toy Run Dance that will be held on **September 15th**, **2012**. We would really appreciate and be grateful for any help that you can provide to us this year. The Toy Run has been a significant supporter of the ADSS and VAST Breakfast Club and PASS (Parent Action Supporting Students) initiative.
- Contributions received from Toy Run have allowed us to offer groceries, breakfast items and hygiene kits to students in crisis. To date, Toy Run has donated over \$15,000 to the ADSS Breakfast Club and PASS.
- This is the Toy Run's biggest event of the year so any help that you can give us would be truly appreciated. Duties will be; handing out wristbands at front door, security (at all doors) and smoking area and reporting to Toy Run members throughout the night. Toy Run member, Shelley Hamel will be in charge of security this year, and I will also be there to assist her as needed.
- All volunteers will be invited to a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and Dance hosted by Toy Run members in October or November. Shifts for the dance will be: 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm and 10:30 pm to 2:00 am* (*this shift is very important and we need the most volunteers at this time). Over 1200 people are expected to attend the 28th Annual Toy Run Dance.
- If you are able to work a shift or two please email me your name, contact information and your preferred shift(s) and area that you would like to work and we will try to accommodate you. If you would like to volunteer with a friend please let me know their contact information. Shelley will contact you in the next month or two to confirm your shift(s). We know that September is a busy month but we would truly appreciate any time that you can spare. If you have any questions, please call me at 250-724-6115 or miburton@shaw.ca

Important Upcoming Dates

- May 2 Grad Transition presentations, grade 12 students
- May 5 Dry Grad garage sale, gymnasium
- May 7 police and ambulance presentation to grade 12 classes
- May 8 North Island Sr. Girls Soccer at Echo
- May 8,9 ADSS Spring Band Concerts
- May 9 ICBC presenter to grade 12 students
- May 14 Professional Day, school closed for students
- May 15 20 Musicfest Canada, Band students travel to Ottawa
- May 16 PAC meeting, 7:00 pm, staffroom
- May 21 Victoria Day
- May 25 Jr. Achievement presents to grade 9 students

Please contact me at 723-6251, extension 222, if you have questions or concerns about this newsletter.

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