



PSO NEWSLETTER

October 5th, 2026

October at a glance:

School Calendar: Some Important Upcoming Dates

- October 6th – Wildland Firefighters visit Grade 12's, B block
- October 7th – Capstone Project Proposal due
- October 7th – Dry Grad Meeting @ 5:30pm in cafeteria
- October 12th – Thanksgiving Day Holiday (School Closed)
- October 13th – Dry Grad Haunted House Committee and Volunteer Meeting @ 5:30pm
- October 14th – Parent Teacher Interviews evening 5-7pm
- October 20th – PAC Meeting 5pm Library
- October 21st – Picture Retake Day (AM only)
- October 22nd – Grad Hoodie Order Deadline
- October 23rd – Pro-D Day (Students do not attend)
- October 27th & 28th – Early Dismissal Day by 1 hour (2:15pm)
- October 30th – Halloween dance and costume contest at lunch

CLC 12 INFORMATION

Gr. 12 students are required to complete CLC 12 which is a course comprised of 12 assignments, a Capstone project and 30 hours of Work/volunteer experience. Students are to complete this course in their study block (if they have 1 this semester) or on their own time. Below are the important deadlines for students to remember:

- Capstone project proposal due October 7, 2026
- Assignments due November 12, 2026
- Capstone project mandatory check in with Mrs. Gardner – November/December
- Capstone project mandatory check in with Mrs. Gardner – February
- Capstone project due April 5, 2027
- Capstone project presentation day – May 11, 2027
- Work/volunteer hours/paperwork must be completed by May 28, 2027

** Any students finishing gr. 12 at the end of January must complete CLC 12 by the end of January.

** Mrs. Gardner is available for assistance in B and C blocks, most lunch times and afterschool by request.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews are on October 14th from 5pm to 7pm. If you would like an appointment with one or all of your child's teachers, please contact the office to book an appointment. You are also welcome to drop in at anytime between 5pm to 7pm that evening to meet with a teacher.

Photo Retake Day

Photo retake day will be Wednesday, October 21st, in the morning only. Photo order sheets are available at the office. You can bring in your payment order directly to the photographer. All students must have their photo taken to receive a student ID card and to be in the yearbook.

Halloween Costumes

On Friday, October 30th, students are welcome to dress up in their Halloween costumes. If your child(ren) participates in dressing up, please make sure they don't bring fake weapons of any kind to accompany their costumes. We also ask that students avoid dressing up as a stereotype of an entire culture of people as this is cultural appropriation. Instead, encourage them to be imaginative and creative and to wear a school-appropriate costume.

Grad Hoodies

Grad Hoodies are now available to order! Grad hoodies are \$85.00 each, with personalization available for an additional \$5.00. Order and payment deadline: October 22, 2026. Payment can be made by cash, cheque, or debit. Please note that no late orders will be accepted.

This is the only Grad hoodie order that will be placed this year, so please be sure to submit your order and payment by the deadline.

Student Verification Forms

Student verification forms will be on your MyEd portal. Please go over the information listed and make changes as needed. It is vital we get these forms updated as soon as possible so we have accurate contact information for all students.

Grade 12 Wildfire

Any Grade 12s that are interested in Wildland Firefighting, please see Heather Wood or Mrs. Gardner for more information.

Terry Fox Run

We had a successful although rainy Terry Fox Run on September 25th. Thank you to all who donated to support cancer research. **We raised \$305.00.**

Steps to Resolve Concerns

If you have concerns with a situation at the school, there are steps to follow to ensure your concern is dealt with efficiently and properly. Please refer to [Steps to Resolve Concerns](#) for more information.

Homework Requests

Please contact teachers directly via email for homework or class updates. This direct line of communication helps ensure your child receives accurate and timely information about what they've missed. Teachers are best positioned to provide details about current lessons, assignments, and expectations, and can work with you or your child to arrange for homework to be sent by email or have a homework package prepared for pick-up at the school office.

[Homework Requests Link](#)

Staff and Student Spirit Week

On the week of October 26-30 is our staff and student spirit week!

- **Monday** – PJ Day
- **Tuesday** – Orange & Black day
- **Wednesday** – Jersey Day
- **Thursday** – Student Dress like a Teacher and Teacher dress like a student
- **Friday** – Halloween Costume Day

Safe Arrival

School District No. 27 uses the free School Messenger App to keep families informed and connected. Caregivers can use it to report when their child is absent, late, or leaving early.

If a student is absent or late without a valid excuse from a parent or guardian, the absence will be recorded as unexcused. An automated School Messenger call will then be sent to the student's primary contact.

School Messenger App

***Please plan with your student in advance for early pickups and appointments.**

When a parent or guardian calls the school to excuse a student from class who is in attendance at other times of the day, please be aware of the following:

- Students must still sign out at office if leaving campus and sign in at return.
- If excusing a student and they are NOT leaving campus, we expect the student to remain in the location that has been designated with the teacher or administration (e.g., library, front office, or another approved area). Please communicate with your student's teacher if this is the case.

Students who are excused from class are not permitted to wander the campus.

This policy is critical to maintaining a safe environment. In the event of an emergency, we must be able to quickly and accurately locate every student. If a student is not where we expect them to be, it poses a serious safety concern.

Volunteering at the School

All volunteers volunteering their time to support school events must have a criminal record check completed before they start helping out. This includes driving students, dry grad, coaching, helping in a classroom, etc. To apply online go to the link below and enter the password: Online Link:

<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>

PSO Access Code: V5L5RVHL5M

MyEd Log In

If you are having trouble with your parent MyEd log in or needing it to be reset, please call the office and we will help you the best we can. 250-395-2461

Fall Sports

Our fall sport schedule will be starting this week.

- **Volleyball**
Sr. Girls (Gr. 11 – 12) & Boys Jr. & Sr.
Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:30 to 6:00pm
Jr. Girls (Gr. 9-10)
Mondays & Wednesdays 3:30 to 5:00 pm
Contact: Lisa.Pugh@sd27.bc.ca
- **Soccer**
Mondays & Wednesdays Upper Field
3:30 to 5:00 pm
Contact: Steven.Keller@sd27.bc.ca
- **Climbing Club**
Tuesday
3:30 – 5:00 pm
Ken.Mackenzie@sd27.bc.ca
- **Rugby**
Tuesdays & Thursdays Lower Field
3:30 – 5:00 pm
Chris.Leflufy@sd27.bc.ca

ERASE Information for Caregivers: Caregiver resources can be found at: [erase for Adults - Province of British Columbia](#). ERASE posters are in classrooms and posted around the school.

Please bookmark and check out these FREE sessions/information from ERASE:

1. Establishing Safe, Caring & Respectful Digital Communities, [FREE Upcoming Remote Sessions](#) – Next session is **November 25, 2026** at 6:30pm.
2. Establishing Family Practices for Safeguarding Against Cyberbullying and Sextortion, [FREE Upcoming Remote Sessions](#) – Next session is **October 13, 2026** at 6:30pm.
3. Raising Digitally Responsible Youth: A Guide for Parents and Caregivers, [FREE Digital Download](#) (this guide will be continually updated by Safer Schools Together)



Students in Ms. Tetlock's English First Peoples 12 class are learning the art of beading while creating their own Orange Shirt Day pins to wear in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6 Gr 12 Wildfire Meet B block	7 Capstone Proposal Due Dry Grad Meeting @ 5:30pm in cafeteria	8	9	10
11	12 Happy Thanksgiving School Closed	13 Dry Grad Haunted House Committee and Volunteer Mtg. @ 5:30pm	14 Parent Teacher Interviews 5-7pm	15 Gr 8 Elective 2 starts	16	17
18	19	20 PAC Meeting @5:00pm Library	21 Picture Retakes (AM Only)	22 Grad Hoodie Order Deadline	23 PRO-D Day (No school for students)	24
25	26 Spirit Week PJ Day	27 Spirit Week Orange & Black Day	28 Spirit Week Jersey Day	29 Spirit Week Students dress like a teacher and staff dress like a student	30 HALLOWEEN COSTUME DAY / DANCE AT LUNCH	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN