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Newsletter

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Vice-Principal

The school newsletter will be available to students and parents **on-line only**. A telephone message will notify you that it has been posted on the Dover Bay website www.doverbay.ca/ If you do not have access to a computer there will be some copies available in the office for you or your child to pick up.

I. PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS:

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are rapidly working our way through the first semester. We will shortly reach the mid-point and report cards will be issued next month. With that thought in mind it is important for all students to be "up to date" in completing any outstanding assignments, projects or tests. Students should be checking directly with their teachers or with the marks' spreadsheets on many classroom walls to ensure completion. I have not had the opportunity to visit many classrooms since returning but I have still been very impressed with the student work ethic and "on task" behaviour.

It is exciting to see the many extracurricular activities happening in the school. I would like to thank the many parents who have been actively involved in supporting these activities. I know that volunteer coaches and activity organizers appreciate any assistance that parents may be able to provide. I also appreciate the athletics parent group and look forward to your suggestions in the future.

In an effort to give parents and student's more time to review report cards, report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, November 23rd with the students and interviews will be on November 25th from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Please review this information with your sons/daughters so that you can have an informed conversation with your child's teacher. We look forward to seeing you at Parent\Teacher Interviews, in the Dover Bay gym.

For those parents that are new to Dover Bay, the Dover Bay office has an automatic attendance system. This system will phone homes if there is a recorded absent from the classroom teacher. The system is also capable of sending announcements and school wide messages. This system enhances our ability to communicate with the Dover Bay families.

In closing, I would like to congratulate Dover Bay graduate Arseniy Ardashirov on receiving the Governor General's Award as our top grade 12 academic student from last year.

Sincerely,
John Blain, Principal

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

Due to the large number of students we have at Dover Bay and the number of portables on site, it is **impossible** for the office staff to be constantly relaying messages to students. Only **emergency** messages will be forwarded.

If you are organizing medical/dental appointments for your child, please have them use the pay phones in the school to check in with you. Students are **not permitted** to use the office phones, except if they have to contact parents due to illness.

II. WELCOME:

We welcome the following new staff to Dover Bay.

Ms. Lori Bibbs	English
Mrs. Ruth Irving	Sound and Recording
Ms. Julie Roberge	Custodian

III. IMPORTANT DATES:

Oct. 27,28,29	Grad Photos
Oct. 29	Variety Night
Nov. 2	Prom Meeting.(parent/student volunteers) 7 pm
Nov. 4	PAC Mtg. – 7 pm
Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Assembly–10:15 am Visitors welcomed
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day – NO SCHOOL
Nov. 23	Report Cards home
Nov. 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences – Early Dismissal

STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP: Mr. Lintott

A reminder to parents that the roundabout in front of the school is not to be used for dropping off and picking up students. Access to the roundabout is for school buses and emergency vehicles only between 7:45 AM to 3:45 PM. The main gates will be closed to general traffic throughout the day. Please use the designated drop off zone in the main parking lot before and after school. Parents are also reminded to recognize the handicap parking spaces in front of the portables, and to leave those spots available for vehicles with proper handicap identification. Please do not use those spots for dropping off or picking up your child.

NANAIMO FIREWORKS BYLAW



Possession and discharge of Fireworks

No person shall possess, explode, light, activate, fire or discharge Fireworks within the boundaries of the City unless that person is a registered Fireworks Supervisor under the Explosives Act and holds a valid Fireworks Permit issued under the Bylaw.

Selling of Fireworks

No person shall offer for sale, sell, give or trade Fireworks within the boundaries of the City

Penalties

Persons who violate the Bylaw will surrender the fireworks to a Fire, Police or Bylaw officer for disposal. Offenses for possession, discharge and sale of Fireworks is a \$200 fine.

IV. STUDENT ACTIVITIES:

STUDENTS' COUNCIL – Ms. Mazzarotto/Aly Eby

Halloween

Dover Bay is hosting their annual Halloween Parade on Friday, Oct. 29th. School Spirit will be showcased by students parading in their creative Halloween costumes. Thank you in advance to everyone who will participate in the parade, to the teachers for judging, and to all the students who will volunteer their time.

Pancake Breakfast



This year's pancake breakfast will take place on Tuesday, November 2nd at 7:30 am in the multi-purpose room. If you would like to take part, the cost for the breakfast is \$2 or 4 cans of food. This will also be Pajama Day!

Can Drive

It's that time of year again for Dover Bay's annual can drive! This year we're very excited to be working with Shaw and Campbell's Soup, who will each be matching the amount in pounds of cans that we collect. This means we will be tripling the amount of cans we give to the food bank! We're looking forward to having another successful year of can collection. Another way you can contribute to the can drive is through "Halloween for Hunger" a yearly campaign in which students are encouraged to collect non-perishable food items instead of candy when they go trick-or-treating. The can drive will be taking place in block 4 this year. The first collection date will be on November 2nd at the Pancake Breakfast.

Ping Pong

Dover Bay is hosting Ping Pong this year! It will be held on Thursdays at lunch in the gym. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet in the main office. Everyone is welcome.



ECO CLUB – Kelsi Wright

Dover Bay Eco Club will be continuing and expanding it's recycling projects this year. Paper recycling will take place after school every second Thursday. Battery recycling will also be continuing. Students can recycle used batteries from home or school in classroom jars or in the office. We will be expanding our Terracycle program. Bins will be available throughout the school for students to recycle their juice boxes or pouches, yogurt containers and plasticized foil wrappers ie: shiny cookie or granola bar wrappers. We will also be starting a new ink cartridge recycling program in conjunction with Staples. Bring in used ink cartridges from home to

D104 to be properly recycled and Staples will donate money to Dover Bay. Thank you to all the club members who have helped out after school with our recycling programs.

Thank you to everyone who signed last year's petition to adopt the Lotus Pinnatus as our city flower! It is now officially Nanaimo's city flower thanks to you!

COUNSELING DEPT. – Mr. Christianson

Homework Club

Are you needing extra help in your classes? Our homework club is the answer. Come to room D203 from 3-4 PM on Monday through Thursday and get **free** tutoring from grade 12 students. Help is available in all subject areas; tutors will be able to help you with assignments, proofread your work and help prepare for tests. If you have any questions, please see your counselor.

Counseling Case Loads

I would like to welcome Ms. Lisa Sunde and Ms. Evelyn Matthews to our counseling department. Both bring a wealth of experience to our school.

A reminder that the case loads for our counselors has changed this year. Instead of being by grade, case loads are now alphabetical across all grades. The breakdown is as follows:

A-E	Ms. Michelle Smith
F-L	Ms. Lisa Sunde
M-Q.	Mr. Scott Christianson
R-Z	Ms. Evelyn Matthews

LIBRARY NEWS – Mrs. Irvine

Teacher Librarians

Mrs. L. Irvine (Mon/Wed/Fri)

Mrs. L Sieber (Tues/Thurs)

Library Clerk

Mrs. F. Hutton

Parent Volunteer

Mrs. M. Hedch

OPEN HOURS Mon. to Thurs. 8:00 - 3:20 Fri. 8:00 - 1:40

Library/Student Cards

Your student card is your library card. Please bring your card to the library when you want to sign out books.

The Library Offers: (in addition to great books, magazines, & graphic novels)

- Video and still cameras for student projects
- Email access for students wanting to send or pick-up homework. However, email is for homework purposes only and **permission must be requested** before accessing email.

Library webpage links

The Library Webpage gives all students access to some great online reference resources. Go to <http://doverbay.ca/pages/resources/library.php> where you will find:

- Encyclopedia Britannica Online. The username is **dover** and the password is **bay**.
- World Book Online. Username: **DOVE** Password: **DOVE68**
- Ebsco: a database of hundreds of journal, newspaper and magazine articles. Username: **SD68-BC** Password: **sd68dover**

Renewing Your Library Books

In an effort to save paper and reduce the number of overdue notices we send out, we want to remind students that they do not need to have their library book with them to renew it. Just come into the library, give us your name, and it's done!



RUN FOR THE CURE – Mrs. Irvine

Congratulations to the Run for the Cure Team who regained the trophy for most funds raised by a secondary school at Sunday's Run for the Cure. The team raised \$798.75 dollars towards breast cancer research and support. Special thanks to Team Captain Mathew Walker and Co-captain Hailey Fielden. This year's team of runners included: Mat Walker, Hailey Fielden, Lynda Sutherland, Angela Ho, Kailey Laidlaw, Sophie Serban, Laura Baldwinson, Sara McKelvey, Tyler Brown, & Rob Kroeker. Elise Boulanger & Hanna Scott assisted with fundraising and publicity. Also a special congratulation to Tyler Brown who came in second overall in the race.

A special thank you to those parents who came out to support the team. Much appreciated.

Linda Irvine

DRAMA NEWS – Mr. Anderson

It's shaping up to be a wonderful year in the Drama Department. Ms. Schwarze and Mr. Anderson are very impressed with the quality of the students in the 9 and 10 academy classes. Both groups have finished their vocal units and are now working on auditioning skills. As November approaches, the two groups will begin preparation of their final performances, which will hit the stage in January.

Annie, this year's musical, is coming together. The technical theatre class has designed a great set, and is feverishly working to have it ready by the end of the month. One problem we have though, is obtaining a few pieces of era-appropriate (1930s) furniture to dress the set. If you have any such piece that you would be willing to lend us for a couple of weeks at the end of November, please contact Mr. Anderson at 250 751 3408. A couple of chairs, an office desk and a settee—even a floor model radio—would help us create a more authentic stage picture. We're also looking for a 1930s style microphone or replica of same.

Variety Night, of course, is always a big deal in October. This year, 41 acts auditioned for the show, and 26 made it in. Tech students get to cut their teeth running the show, and the audience will be thrilled with the quality of the bands, singers, and actors on stage Oct. 29. We even have a snare drum solo!

Congratulations to Grade 8 Academy student Nicholas Croome who landed a major role in the Chemainus production of "A Christmas Carol."

DRAMA NEWS – Ms. Schwarze

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IT'S LESS THAN ONE MONTH TO SHOW-TIME!

Mark your calendars for November 24 to 27th and December 4th and 5th. Those are the dates for Bay Theatrix' production of *Annie*. With the plethora of talent in this school, the bold sets, and the complex and catchy tunes, the show is sure to please both young and old. Starting the second week of November, tickets will be available at More than Movies, the office, and at the

door. Prices are \$8.00 for students and seniors, and \$10.00 for adults under 55.

ITEMS WANTED: Mr. Hughes

If you have any lawnmowers or gas engines of any kind that you could donate to the Autoshop at Dover Bay, please contact Brett Hughes and arrangements will be made for pick up.

GRAD 2011: Mr. Lintott

Attention all Grade 12's! Graduation is much closer than you think!! It will take many months of preparation from a number of people to prepare for your June 2011 graduation. Grad photos will be taken Oct. 27/28/29 (sign-up at www.mjmstudios.net). We are in the process of ordering your cap and gown for the grad ceremony. Please come to the office to let us know your height so we can order the correct gown for you. You should have received your first email from the office. If not, please check to see if we have your correct email address. Grade 12 parents who would like to receive emails throughout the year to keep them informed on all the grad news are welcome to call the office to let us know their email addresses.

A Grad newsletter was handed out to all Grade 12's last week which highlighted information related to grad activities and requirements. Monthly grad newsletters will be posted on the graduation section of the doverbay.ca website.

PROM 2011 UPDATE – Mr. Lintott

Prom planning is well under way and excitement is growing. Prom has been scheduled for May 7th, 2011 at Dover Bay Secondary. Committees are now being formed consisting of dedicated parent volunteers and graduating students. The school, parents and students are all committed to making this a wonderful and memorable event. The theme for 2011 will soon be announced. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Mr. Lintott

YOKOHAMA SOEI EXCHANGE – Mr. Lintott

The students and staff of Dover Bay would like to thank all home stay parents for hosting our Japanese exchange students last week. It was a tremendously positive experience for the school and our students, as 34 grade 9 and 10 students from Yokohama Soei high school participated in ESL lessons, class integrations and athletic activities.

A very special thank you also goes to Mr. Dave Nelson and Mr. Iain Baird for organizing these activities, and to Ms. Lesley Pye, Ms. Loa Richardson, and Ms. Kim Barton for teaching the ESL classes. We look forward to another visit in 2011!

AB. ED. NEWS: Ms. Moody

Aboriginal Me to We Leadership Celebration

Congratulations to Josh Bob, Brittany Johnson, Tasha Kootoo-Reist, Scott Barney-Sport, and Sonny Bob for participating in the Me to We Aboriginal Leadership Training sessions. As a celebration, most of this group attended **We Day** on October 15 at which, Al Gore and many other famous spokespeople inspired the students to make change in peaceful ways. Way to go! Keep up the excellent work!

Aboriginal Youth Leadership Group: This leadership committee meets at lunch to plan and implement a

variety of activities and events throughout the year. Go to **D206** to sign up and listen to the announcements for our next meeting. Everyone welcome.

Aboriginal Cultural Group: This group meets at lunch to participate in cultural activities. The activities take place in **D206**. During October, we will be making mini drums. These will make great Christmas tree decorations. Everyone welcome.

Lunchtime Homework Room: A place for students to receive assistance with schoolwork, eat lunch and socialize with friends. Takes place in room **D206** at lunch everyday. Receive treats for doing 20 minutes of homework/study.

Cultural Group Volunteers:

We will be running a youth cultural group again this year. If you, or someone you know (community member, Elder etc.), would like to run an activity, teach a traditional skill, tell a story, share a song etc., please let us know. We welcome you into Dover Bay and look forward to seeing you. Please contact Erin Moody or Wendy Beaton, at 756-4595, if you are interested.

WRESTLING TEAM – Mr. Tuck

The Dover Bay High School Wrestling team begins the 2010/2011 season with novice practices on October 25th at 6pm and practices for the experienced athletes at 7pm. The only gear that is required to get started is clean runners, shorts and a t-shirt. There are no cuts, if you show up, you make the team! Last year the team had over 80 members and a break out season with the boys and girls having strong finishes at all tournaments – including our first ever contingent of 8 to the National Championships! Our success stems from all of the coaches emphasizing fun and team. Wrestling is well suited to any student, even those who aren't particularly athletic; although after a season with us you WILL be an athlete! This is a great way to get involved in a high school team. It is also the best way to increase your multi-sport abilities for your other sports. All levels of participation will be rewarded so you get to create your own level of success. If you need volunteer hours we are looking for managers also.

See you Monday night!
Coach Tuck."



SNOWBALL POLICY:

- This policy deals with the throwing of snowballs and any other inappropriate action with snow, including bringing snow into the school with intention.
- Students will be reminded there is a snowball policy at Dover Bay Secondary.
- Students throwing snowballs outside on school grounds will be dealt with through the Code of Conduct which may result in suspension.
- Students caught throwing snowballs in the school will be suspended.

V. PAC:

PAC NEWS:

PAC Executive for 2010-2011

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| Glynis O'Shea & Theresa Silk | Co-Presidents |
| Helen Fearn | Vice President |
| Ingrid Van Rensburg | Treasurer |
| Karen Richardson | Secretary |

The next PAC meeting is on **Thursday November 4th at 7:00pm** in the Library.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS:

FLU SEASON

Flu season is upon us, so please follow the guidelines of being scrupulous about hand washing and sneezing or coughing into handkerchiefs or the crook of your arm. If you feel sick, stay home until you are better. Sick kids need to be at home and we will be asking parents to pick up students who feel ill. As H1N1 is the predominate flu, there are likely to be cases in our community. If you have questions about Swine Flu call the Public Health Office. They are the ones that provide public information and announcements.



DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (DPA)

Daily Physical Activity is mandated for all students in B.C. In grades 8 and 9 the recommendation is for 30 minutes of DPA per day. In the semester when students do not have a Physical Education class, the following activities are available: athletic teams, basketball and intramurals. Likewise, students in grades 10-12 will be asked to keep track of the time they spend on outside or school based physical activity. The intent is that students in grades 10-12 will be engaged in a minimum of 150 minutes of physical activity a week. The ministry introduced an online tracking tool at www.learnnowbc.ca to keep track of the physical activity. For more DPA information please visit LearnNowBC at <http://www.learnnowbc.ca/services/DPALog/>. We would encourage parents and guardians to help us in teaching children the value of daily physical activity.

CANADA/FRANCE EXCHANGE 2011/2012 OSEF

Junior High/High School Students from 13-17 years old

Participate in a reciprocal exchange in France. Host your French partner, live with a French family and attend school the following year.

Meeting on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2010 @ 6:00 pm @ Dover Bay School

Applications close on May 15, 2011

Individual Reciprocal Exchanges for 4,9 and 11 weeks.

The French students are in Canada from August to October or November (depending on the arrival date). The Canadian students are in France from February to May (depending on the arrival date). For the one month program, Canadian students are in France for July and return at the end of July with their exchange partner to spend August in Canada.

Students attend an orientation session during a weekend in May or June in order to prepare for successful exchange. The program includes 2 days of visits and orientation in Paris (the Eiffel Tower, a boat ride on the Seine River, Notre Dame and the Champs Elysees avenue, and accommodation in a hotel).

September/October: the French students attend their partner's school and at the end of the exchange students receive a school report from their Junior or Senior High School. The partners and their families are selected according to interest, age, and personal activities. The students are covered by a health and repatriation insurance with Europ Assistance.

The principal's permission is compulsory to take part in the 9 or 11 week exchange.

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