



# Howe Sound News

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## Dates To Remember:

### May

- May 10 Professional Dev. Day - School not in session
- May 14 PAC meeting 7 pm
- May 20 Victoria Day - School not in session
- May 21 Scholarship Ceremony

### Jun

- Jun. 5 Grand Finale Music Concert
- Jun. 6 Awards Ceremony
- Jun. 11 PAC meeting 7 pm
- Jun. 13 Mandatory Commencement Rehearsal
- Jun. 14 Grad Commencement Ceremony
- Jun. 15 Prom Event
- Jun. 27 Last day of classes for Semester 2
- Jun. 28 Semester 2 Final Report cards Mailed

May 9, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians:

May is already upon us! We have been enjoying the nice spring weather and are becoming increasingly excited about some very special upcoming events in May and June including our school Scholarship Night, Awards Night and of course our Graduation Ceremony.

On Thursday, May 2, approximately 70 HSS students took part in a World Café, jointly hosted and organized by Howe Sound Secondary and the District of Squamish. The purpose of this event was to seek feedback from a representative group of HSS students which would be used to help guide the District of Squamish Youth Strategy Plan. Among the facilitators at the World Café were Squamish Counselors and District of Squamish Recreation Services staff, who commented on the level of thoughtfulness and insight our students provided in their responses. In fact, they have put out an open invitation to our students to sit on a Youth Strategy Planning Team which would help oversee the implementation of the District of Squamish Youth Strategy Plan.

On Friday, May 3, Howe Sound Secondary was proud to host this year's 24 Hour Drum event. I would like to acknowledge our HSS Aboriginal Leadership students, who, along with Aboriginal Leadership students from Pemberton and Whistler, shared their culture and knowledge with HSS students during a school-wide assembly.

Our Scholarship Night will occur on Tuesday, May 21, at 7 pm. While the ceremony is by invitation only, we are excited to share the successes of HSS students in their pursuit of post-secondary education. On this evening we will be presenting Grade 12 students with scholarships, bursaries and awards offered by local citizens, businesses, associations and clubs. We are extremely thankful to our community donors who have generously provided in excess of \$80,000 in funding for our students to attend post-secondary institutions.

As in the past, we have some significant highlights, accomplishments and congratulations to share with you in this month's newsletter. Please find this information on the following pages.

Regards,

Nick Pascuzzi  
Principal

# Science Department

Howe Sound Secondary's Physics Olympics Team recently traveled to UBC to compete in the 41st Annual UBC Physics Olympics against 73 schools from all over British Columbia. After competing in six events, including two which required them to design and build a mechanical timepiece (top photo) and a Rube Goldberg machine (bottom photo) in the weeks leading up to the competition, the team came home with a top-ten finish, placing 8th out of 73 in the fluid flow lab. The students involved in the team were: Zak Berrisford, Chase McDougall, Robbie Embree, Ji Wu, Graham Sayle, Max Kleban, Christian Campbell, Ellie Tiliakou, Nick Tiliakos, Trina Fearon, Sukhdeep Sidhu and Sharon Yang.



Congratulations to Trina Fearon, who has been admitted to the prestigious SHAD program at the University of Saskatchewan this summer. Trina will be traveling to Saskatchewan in July, where she will be developing and proposing a novel research project in field of STEM (Science, Engineering, Technology and Math).

In May, some of our chemistry students will be attending a presentation by David St. Angelo, the Chief Technology Officer of local carbon-capture company Carbon Engineering. David is a returning guest speaker at HSS, and has prepared a lecture specifically for our students that will brief them on the motivation and processes behind Carbon Engineering's initiative, as well as the recent progress that has been made. Carbon Engineering is turning heads on the world stage with its cutting-edge approach to tackling climate change, and has recently been featured in articles from Forbes, Reuters, and the New York Times.

As the weather gets sunnier, our Geology 12 class will be traveling to Vancouver to do the Stanley Park Geotour. The students will present to each other a variety of geologically significant features that can be found around the Stanley Park Seawall. These features tell a story of the past, present, and future of British Columbia's South Coast and the tectonic forces that have shaped it and will continue to do so for centuries to come.

Thanks to Nester's (and especially to Joe the butcher) for the generous donation of pig hearts. The heart dissection lab is always a highlight of Biology 12!





# Language Department

Our French Immersion classes have been corresponding with students from Ecole Lycée Benjamin Franklin in Orléans, France.

Although our French correspondents are having a difficult year with *Les marches des gilets jaunes*, (schools have actually been closed due to these events), we are still expecting to receive comments on our videos sent in January. More recently, our students created videos of our region to showcase where we live. Below are two examples of creations from our Grade 10 French Immersion students.

**Diane McIlwraith, Hanna Rose Babst and Jenna Burke.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2iChPeD8IG8>

**Matthew-Tate Witwicki, Michael Wieland and Sam Watson**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1xTjuJRatxk>

## Turnip The Beet Café

VCC Professional Cook's Program students are currently learning about meat and butchery. Earlier in the week, they visited Northern Divine Sturgeon Aquafarm in Sechelt, followed by a lunch at Chef Tim Bedford's restaurant, Drift, in Gibsons.

The school café sells hot and cold lunch items and baked goods Monday through Thursday. "Benny Wednesday's" are a highlight; pizza and cookies are always popular, and almost everything is made "from scratch", even the mayonnaise! On Fridays, students and staff can purchase prepackaged reheatable leftovers for a great deal.

We have had several successful catering events. On May 8, the group served School District 48 custodial staff for an appreciation dinner of three courses, including fresh tagliatelle with clams, chicken, or vegetables and a chocolate ganache for dessert.

In conjunction with the leadership class, we've been running a weekly draw to reduce the amount of single-use plastic used. Customers showing up with their own cutlery are entered to win a free lunch. We appreciate any efforts to reduce single-use items, including this container, which was re-used by a conscientious customer.





# Howe Sound Athletics

## Mountain Biking

The Howe Sound Secondary Mountain Bike Team has hit the trails, racing in the North Shore Mountain Bike League. The team consists of sixteen members with backgrounds in cross country, downhill, enduro, and BMX racing. The races finish May 24th, with Squamish hosting the provincial championship at Alice Lake. A big thanks goes to Mr. Pascuzzi and all the parent volunteers for making sure riders and bikes get to the races on time!



Team: Nils Bezay, Tanner Burnham, Sienna Dickson, Jack Foreman-Pelland, Gabriel Hoffmann, Michaela Hoskin, Kieran Macdonald, Leo Mensler, Nikolas Ohl, Teigen Pascual, Frederick Reinecke, Robyn Schenk, Seth Sherlock, Madison Skrypnek, Elli Tiliakou, Aidan van der Werff.

## Track & Field

The HSS Track & Field Team has had an excellent season so far and are expected to have a strong showing at the North Shore Zone Finals at Swangard Stadium on May 14. Track & Field athletes from HSS have qualified for and will be competing in all events at zone finals, including 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, hurdles, high jump, long jump, triple jump, discus and javelin. Special thanks to Coach Way for supporting the team.



Back row: Franziska Koell, Jake Heppell, Pran Sahota, Carey Yeh, Connor Vanden Heuvel, Tyler Blasak  
Front row: Markus Hernandez, Lyle Sage, Ella Batcho  
Missing: Ryan Blasak, Hayden Fredericks, Samuel Misquitta, Andy Kite, Isaac McCarthy, Tucker Reed, Suhkdeep Sidhu, Sienna Dickson, Tiegen Pascual, Sharon Yang, Martin Wells.

## Rugby

Howe Sound Secondary Rugby Sevens focuses on fun, fitness, respect, big hits, and bigger runs. The team has had a great season so far, finishing in top positions in all tournaments.

Coach: Mr. de Groot

Team: Ray Angelo Belandres, Reniel Belandres, Hai Bui, Deaglan Devlin, Pedro Johnson, Ruben Jones, Michael Lane, Ryle Mabilog, Samantha Morrow, Noah Oliver, Keegan Taylor, James van Oostwaard, Jhett Verner, Andrewnico Waiya.





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### Girls' Soccer:

The Girls' Soccer Team is off to a great start. They had strong showings in a number of home and away games against some very formidable teams. Special thanks goes to parent Coach Frietag for taking the time to coach our girls.

Team: Kaitlyn Cameron, Gagan Chagger, Harmandeep Cheema, Kailey Chelswick, Arantza De Alba Reed, Ella Fredericks, Zoe Freitag, Mariana Gil Corvera, Mekayla Gray, Tanveer Hehar, Michaela Hoskin, Allie Hughes-Goyette, Aurora Hughes-Goyette, Hannah Loewer, Jamie MacDonald, Grace Matthews, Rylan O'Connor, Frida Pedersen, Lyle Sage, Rebeca Sanchez Giffard, Maisie Stanger, Kate Sutherland, Maja Wuethrich, Sharon Yang.

### Golf

The HSS Golf Team has performed well in their games so far and we look forward to seeing what the remainder of the season holds. Thanks to Ms. Fox, Mr. Fay, Mr. Hamill, and parent -mentor Joe Konkin for supporting the team.

Team: Ryder Vockeroth Bulfone, Ryoma Chiyasu, Jack Corder-Fay, Blair Donnahee, Liam Hudson, Max Kleban, Jesse Kryzanowski, Christopher Underthun, Jhett Verner.

## Music News - Band Tour

Here we are in Niagara Falls, Ontario! We couldn't be having a better time on our music tour. So far, we have performed on the field of Rogers Centre for the Blue Jays game. That's us in the warm up room in the picture below. What an amazing experience it was to be out there! The stadium looked so huge from our vantage point. Hearing our own performance blast out over the speakers was simply a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Yesterday, we visited Niagara Falls itself and we rode on the Hornblower cruise right up into Horseshoe Falls. The view was amazing but the amount of water that soaked us was incredible. Thank goodness for those ponchos they give us when we go on the boat. That evening, we went to see a dinner theatre performance of 'Oh Canada, eh?' This is one of the longest running staged performances in Canada and it was simply hilarious. The food was pretty good, too.

Tomorrow we will be getting schooled at Brock University by Zoltan the Music Professor. We are all looking forward to honing our musical skills further. Then it is on to Mississauga and the greater Toronto area for more educational fun. Special thank-yous go out to all of the parents, staff, and Ms. Booth for all the work they did to make this trip happen for us. It has been a wonderful experience so far!



# 24 Hour Drum-Aboriginal Leadership

On Friday, May 3, Howe Sound Secondary hosted the opening portion of this year's 24 Hour Drum. Aboriginal Leadership students from Pemberton, Whistler, and Squamish presented traditional songs and videos about issues important to their communities in a school-wide assembly. Howe Sound Secondary and Don Ross Middle School students focused on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, Whistler Secondary students focused on identity, and Pemberton Secondary students raised awareness about drug and alcohol use. Following the assembly, Aboriginal Leadership students left for a peace march that ended at Aya7ayulh Chet (Cultural Journeys). Their day culminated in an evening feast and performance at Totem Hall.



# Graduation 2019

## Commencement Fee

The \$95 commencement fee is collected to help pay the costs of the certificates, caps and gowns, programs, and other expenses related to the ceremony. If you have not paid the \$95 fee, please do so as soon as possible. Payment can be made by cheque made out to Howe Sound Secondary, by exact cash in the office or online using a credit card at SchoolCashOnline accessible [here](#).

The 2019 Commencement Ceremony is by invitation only. Each graduate will receive six guest invitations. Guests are required to present their invitation at the door.

Invitations are now available for pick-up. Grads must bring a pink slip from the librarian, showing they have no outstanding fees, to receive their invitations. Extra invitations, if available, will be distributed in early June. The request sign-up sheet is in the office.

Please limit your guests to immediate family members.





# Prom Update

**Forms:** All registration forms and payments for prom tickets are now due. They need to be submitted to the office as soon as possible. We are finalizing the numbers to ensure we have enough (food/activities/prizes etc) for all attending. The final cut-off date is May 10. No late submissions will be accepted after this date. The guest application cut off date was April 15.

**Prom Table Seating Requests:** You can email your seating requests to [hssprom2019@gmail.com](mailto:hssprom2019@gmail.com). Seating requests can be for any number of people to a maximum of eight per table. We cannot guarantee that the seating will be as requested but we will try our best. Only grads who have paid in full can submit seating requests.

**Parent Volunteer Registration Forms:** All parent volunteers must complete their Criminal Records Check. The link to complete online is available on our FaceBook page: HSS prom 2019. Contact the prom committee by email with any questions or concerns.

## Current Fundraisers:

**Nesters Gift Cards:** Please buy Nesters Cards from us! Our grads receive 10% of all cards sold. We will be selling them directly through our prom committee members and parent volunteers. Shop local and support your grads. Email us for more information.



**Grad Bottle Depot Account:** Drop off your empties into our GRAD account #386

## Upcoming Fundraisers:

**Neufeld Farms Sale:** Stock up your freezer just in time for barbecue weather. Order forms are available in the office or online on the HSS Prom Facebook page. Orders are due on June 6, and pick-up is June 19, at 5:00 pm

Please continue to participate in the various fundraisers. These funds are helping to pay for the activities/games on the night of prom and prizes for the grads, as well as going straight back to the grads that participate, after all costs are covered.

Stay tuned to our FaceBook page: HSS Prom 2019 for updates.

Any questions or concerns please email us at [hssprom2019@gmail.com](mailto:hssprom2019@gmail.com)

Thank you!  
2019 Prom Committee

Website - <https://sd48howesound.org/students/grad-information/prom-2019/>



# Career Programs

**The Ministry of Education and the Industry Training Authority have awarded 14 Youth Work in Trades students in School District #48 (Sea to Sky) a \$1000.00 Apprentice Award.**

Students became sponsored apprentices in high school, completed four Secondary School Apprenticeship courses earning 16 credits and worked over 900 hours in their trade by six months after graduation. The hope is these apprentices will serve as ambassadors to encourage other students to consider exploring the many exciting high-demand career opportunities available through trades training.

**Congratulations to the following apprentices and the companies who are sponsoring them:**

Gurdeep Bisla – Electrician  
Cooper Brown - Carpentry  
Brody Gratton – Professional Cook 1  
Dawson Isaac– Carpentry  
Ian McCall – Professional Cook 1  
Nitin Nand – Electrician  
Luke Parry – Bricklayer (Mason)  
Conlan Reis – Electrician  
Mark Roblin – Electrician  
Zachery Ruhland – Heavy Duty Equipment Tech  
Rajbir Sahota - Electrical  
Dylan Smith -Heavy Duty Equipment Tech  
Riley Smith - Heavy Duty Equipment Tech  
Gurrajan Uppal - Electrical

Garibaldi Electric Contractors Ltd  
Camm Contracting Inc.  
Sea to Sky Gondola  
Wentworth Construction  
The Crabapple Cafe Inc  
Garibaldi Electric Contractors Ltd  
Bellaroc Enterprises Inc.  
Garibaldi Electric Contractors Ltd  
Corporate Electric Ltd.  
Advance Heavy Duty Repairs  
Garibaldi Electric Contractors Ltd  
B.A. Smith & Sons.  
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Garibaldi Electric Contractors Ltd

**Employers:** There are many advantages to hiring secondary school apprentices. We currently offer Youth Train in Trades programs at Howe Sound Secondary School. Through our partnership with Kwantlen Polytechnic University, students can obtain Foundation/Level 1 training in Automotive Service Carpentry, or Electrical. Through our Vancouver Community College partnership we offer Professional Cook 1 training. Priority for these programs goes to SD#48 students and when space is available adults are welcome to apply.

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# Yearbook

A year's worth of Sounders' memories will be captured in 120 full-colour pages. The Howe Sound Secondary yearbook is on sale now for \$65 and makes a great gift. Last year's yearbook sold out so don't delay purchasing one this year. Yearbooks can be purchased online at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com), by cash or cheque at the HSS office or using our new SchoolCashOnline system which can be accessed [here](#).



## Did You Know...

### erase = expect respect & a safe education

**Have you seen or heard something that concerns you?**

**Is someone or something bothering you or your friends at school?**

The Province of British Columbia has developed the [erase|Report It](#) tool to let you send a secure, anonymous and confidential message to your school or school district's safe school coordinator, who will follow up on it right away. You do not have to provide your name unless you want to.

Messages are only monitored during your school's operational hours. If this is an emergency please call 911 immediately.

**If you see or hear something, say something!**

Visit the [erase website](#) to find resources for students, parents, and educators related to student safety, sexual orientation and gender

identity, mental health  
and substance use.

