

Newsletter

November 2022



Principal's Message

It has been a remarkably typical / busy start to the 2022-23 school year. Adding to our excitement has been the integration of our largest grade 9 class since Vic High moved to a 9-12 configuration. The over 240 grade 9s have pushed us over our stated capacity at our temporary campus. While it has been cozy, I do feel we have successfully accommodated all our regular instructional and extracurricular activities in our dual campuses.

Speaking of our dual campuses, it is a little disappointing, but not completely surprising, that our return date of September 2023 has been moved to January 2024. While we are eager to move into our newly renovated Fernwood campus, I much prefer knowing that we will have the time to properly prepare and test our facility prior to starting instruction in the renovated spaces. From what I see of the plans and current progress, the building will be worth the wait.

I am hopeful your children have had a successful first term. As always, you are welcome to reach out to teachers or the admin staff to discuss your child's education and well-being.

Take care,

Aaron



We are now approaching the season when inclement weather may affect the safety and welfare of students. In particular, snowy weather has the potential to cause school closure or some School District 61 services to be suspended.

During inclement weather, information about schools will be updated continuously on the Greater Victoria School District 61 website at http://www.sd61.bc.ca.

Within the Greater Victoria School District, the Interim Superintendent of Schools, Deb Whitten, will provide media outlets with information about the status of our facilities and transportation services by 6:30 am.

Important Upcoming Dates

December 7th
December 9 th
December 12th
December 16th
December 19th – 30th
January 2nd
January 3rd
January 9th

January 23rd to 26th January 25th January 26th January 30th Winter Band Concert
Grad Winter Formal
PAC Meeting
Santa's Breakfast
Winter Break
Last Day of Winter Break
First Day of Classes
Register for Assessments
Numeracy/Literacy Assessments
Français Langue/Exams A&C
School Exams B & D

Last Day of Quarter 2

Back to School













Clubs Fair

We held a club's fair in early October to showcase the clubs that are running this year at Vic High









Dance Department

Break Dance Workshops

Dance Department with the support of PAC are offering Break Dance workshops for a 6-week period. Time to bring back the B-Boys and B-Girls and Breakers—thanks to Ray who travels all the way from Vancouver to spend time with our dancers and athletes in this one-day (Wednesdays) event.



Break dancing originated in New York City during the late 60s and early 70s with the film industry thriving on its popularity during the 80s. The moves come from a variety of sources including Martial Arts and gymnastics. As our dancers have discovered, break dancing requires a lot of strength and flexibility. Largely improvisational the dancers have learned freezes, power moves, down rock and top rock. Challenging, inspiring and fun.





New VHS Club: GEMS

The GEMS is a group of 9 Intermediate and Advance dancers under the leadership and inspiration of Leika Suto.



They are choreographing in the genres of hip hop, Jazz Fusion, Whacking and Interpretative. GEMS seek to perform at every opportunity for our Vic High Community & aspire to have 2 new works ready for the GVPA Festival this year. These highly motivated dancers meet up to 5-7 times a week and take advantage of every opportunity to work collaboratively together.

Well done Leika and Dancers!



Beginner Dancers Block C & D to Perform at Dunnett Community Theatre

Ms. Krich's dancers from Block C & D will be joined by Ms. Leigh's Dance Co. for an end of Semester 1 celebration at the Dave Dunnett Theatre, on Tuesday, January 17th. An evening of Hip Hop, Jazz Fusion, K-Pop., Contemporary, Ballet, Jive and Tap that includes our Young Choreographers with their new works. Please set aside the date and join the dancers for an evening of fun & entertainment.

Athletics

Vic High athletics are off to a busy start! Our senior boys' soccer team had a building year but gained momentum as the season progressed and headed into playoffs. Many thanks to Mr. Herlaar, Ms. Ackinclose and Ms. Lukat for their support.

The cross-country team had 2 athletes qualify for the provincials. Congratulations to Parker Aiken and Brian Pinion on their hard work this season and provincial results.



Parker Aiken (grade 10) came 31st and Brian Pinon (grade 11) came 95th. Many thanks to Ms. Trumpy and Mr. Parker for their support of the team.

Our volleyball teams kept our athletes busy. Our junior boys' and girls' teams had fun and competitive seasons. Thank you to Ms. Conkin, Nathaniel, and Mr. Campbell for their work with these teams. Our senior boys' team, coached by Bethany Murphy, and our senior girls' team, coached by Mme Morrison, are set to compete in the Island Championships in late November and are hoping to earn a spot at the provincial championships. Let's go Vic High!

Vic High basketball returns to the gyms with games beginning in early December. Teams are close to being formed and are working hard to prepare for their seasons.



Senior girls volleyball Team

This year we had a record number of girls come out for our senior girls' volleyball team. We chose a team of 13 grade 10, 11 and 12-year-old who have come together to become an incredible team! The girls played in three tournaments and are finishing the year with a third-place finish among the 3A schools on the South Island, securing them a berth to the island championships November 18/19th in Campbell River.



The girls were also super proud to host, alongside the senior boys' team, a staff vs. Students volleyball match on November 17th. It was so much fun and it was so great to see so many staff and students out to cheer on our teams.





To help support their travel and tournament expenses the girls have taken on a number of fundraising initiatives and this Fall we opened an account at the Bottle Depot. If you have any recyclables that need to be returned, please consider bringing them to any Bottle Depot location and letting them know, prior to being rung in, that you would like the proceeds to go to Vic High girls volleyball. It's as easy as that and the money raised helps us out tremendously!!!

The team would also like to thank local volleyball coach, Nathaniel, for his support of our team this season!!! We are already looking forward to the next one!

French Immersion



Our French Immersion students have been very busy since the start of the school year! We are excited to welcome Mme Reed to our program, who has been busy working through many social studies themes and concepts with our junior students!

In Francais Langue 9/10 class our students have been working on creating postcards representing the different francophone countries that we have been exploring and in francais Langue 11/12 our students have been practicing their listening and speaking skills in preparation for their provincial assessment in January. For more information on the assessment, students are welcome to visit their CLC google classroom, where it is all provided.



Our Sciences humaines 11 students also had the chance to engage in municipal politics! Our very own Matti Waldren organized an All Candidates Forum in the school library and students had the chance to ask questions and learn more about the municipal election in October. Our grade 11 students then went on a tour of city hall and met with Lisa Helps, who helped them understand some of the intricacies of running a city!





Mme Mengual is back teaching our PE and CLE classes in French and students have been busy playing a variety of different games and working through a variety of different health units. We are excited to be heading to the Save on Foods Memorial arena on December 6 for our annual French Immersion skating event!



As we head into the new year and the end of semester one, we will send out invitations to Night of the Notables, an evening of learning and inquiry hosted by our current sciences humaines classes. We are so excited to be hosting this event in person again this year!



Cornerstone Breakfast



Vic High Leadership students prepared 2000+ pancakes for our annual Cornerstone Breakfast!











Drop everything and read!

Drop Everything and Read Day, students took half an hour to destress and decompress with a ook of their choosing











Fairy Tech

Automotive – **Automotive 9/10 working on** bike repair at Vic High Fernwood









Auto body10 - dent repair on fenders



Metal 10 - Machining



Wood 10 - Wooden bowl lathe turning



Electrical 11/12 - Wire installation



Textiles

This semester's Block B Textiles 10 class has been whipping up a ton of great projects.

FYI Textiles 10 is our Beginners Sewing
Class. Any student grades 9,10, 11 or 12 can sign up for this introductory sewing class and learn all the basics, no experience needed. Great job on your textile projects so far.



Valan C with his Chiyo Dad original design with upcycled polar fleece.



Ayane O with her reversible shoulder bag, made with upcycled upholstery fabric.



Octopus a plenty!



Nora M's Among us Crew



William Y's Pug Printed Potholder



Madison G's Quilted Potholder

Textiles Arts Club!



Are you crafty? Each morning on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays before school Room 104 is open to all students and staff as a 'maker space'. Drop by whenever you get a chance for this new Vic High Club. Time is Between 8:00 am -9:00 am. Where?- The Textiles Classroom- Room 104 / Drop in whenever you can...

No experience needed. Some potential activities...Knitting, Crochet, Needle Felting, Embroidery...

If you have any questions please contact the Sponsor Teacher-Ms. Adamschek

Give it a chance-Come to school early, grab a slice of toast and spend some time with other crafty folks.



Are you wishing to purge your craft and sewing supplies?



The Vic High Textiles Home Economics Department LOVES and appreciates your cast offs.

We especially love the following items

- Scrap fabrics both knit and woven.
- Spools of Thread.
- Vintage and new sewing notions.
- Anything related to embroidery.
- Old sewing patterns.
- Polyfill stuffing.
- Fashion magazines
- Old sewing machines (we fix them up and pass them onto Vic High textile students to take home.)

Please drop off to the school in boxes labeled

Attn: Ms. Adamschek

PS- if we can't use it we pass it on and or make sure it stays out of the landfill.

Grad Spirit Days

"Anything but a Backpack" Day















Adam Sandler Day



Throwback to 2005 Day



Pirates vs Western



Blowing Out the Dust. The show featured R&B, Jazz Band and both Junior and Senior Concert Bands.



Music



Toast Program



Our Toast Program is back on Tuesdays and Thursdays!



Vic High's Music students put on their first concert of the year.



Halloween

































Congratulations to the following students who achieved a 4.00 grade point average in the November reporting period of the 2022-2023 school year (Minimum 3 courses)

Grade 12	Grade 11	<u>Grade 10</u>	Grade 9
Cohen, Aiken	Emily, Archibald	Abrar MD, Alam	Ephrata, Abebe
Chiara, Aimino	Adrian, Benito Guijarro	Jill Denisse, Bautista	Eman, Al Kahwaji
Etienne, Allard-Shiau	Graeme, Booth	Amber, Cheong	Emily, Andison
Cameron, Bartleman	Beatrice, Butterfield-Cowan	Zora, Contandriopoulous	Lindsay, Archibald
Jackson, Bodnar	Erina, Clayton	Alexi, Coppard	Liam, Baker
Tamsin, Bowles	Emma, Donald	Miguel Ezra, Corda	Lanna, Caverhill
Siena, Chan	Solange, Dorsainvil Lyons	Amika, Crawford	Raghad, Chaaban
Maya, Chapman	Lucy, Fraser	Maya, Espinosa	Avner, Dachsel Kerr
Abigail, Dunbar	Hannah, Fudge	Violet, Gleed	Annie, Dos Santos
Jonas, Hsu	Naomi, Gladman	Caleb, Gotro	Katie, Dunbar
Liona, Korchagina	Colin, Godwin	Keida, Hyatt	Charlotte, Edmundson
Bella, Leopkey	Ocean, Harris	Danielle, Jensen	Ella, Erickson-Harvey
Saidi, Mader	Aviva, Isitt	October, Leir-Apedaile	Kendal, Hartwig
Bianca, Mastropaolo	Raiker Glyan, Javier	Katie, McDonnell	Vanessa, Hayes
Addy, Mauro	Michel Kaase	Asuka, Menard	Rowen, Hilhorst
Federico, Milani	Charlotte, Lohner	Coral, Nelson	Farren, Hribal
Alice, Napione	Leo, Looi	Larraine, Oscares	Hannah, Janz
Ben, Orchard	Andrea, Moneda	Frieda, Roeh	Vlad, Kozubenko
Leo, Rysiew	Letizia Hellermann Moral	Jordan, Sivonen	Azura, Lepard
Aina, Saitoh	Luisa Leni, Neteler	Giovana Vasconcelos Da Luz	Sophia, Martin
Simeon, Sanford Blades	Fred, Niedjalski	Gianna Desiree, Von Andrian-	Loukas, Mehta
Oscar Schuckel-Bailey	Billy, Nolan	Werburg	Eli, Melsness
George Sleen	Brian, Pinon	Lucy, Williams	Coco, Mitchell
Ella-Jo, Spindler	Shane Priestley		Sophia, Niholls
Julia, Troost	Piper, Read		Bryn, Pretty
Ella, Willams	Hanna Siegel		Mariya, Rahim
	Victoria Lara, Stock		Keira, Roberts
	Jenny, Walshaw		Clara, Sahota
	Lilah, Weston		Everett, Wells
	Micah Yewchuck-Noesgaard		Jakob, Wiebe
			Nora, Woynillowicz

Congratulations to the following students who achieved a 3.00 – 3.99 grade point average in the November reporting period of the 2022-2023 school year (Minimum 3 courses; all marks C+ or better)

Grade 12

Wyatt, Adams Bryn, Anderson Lynelle, Arsenault Yuzuka, Asaka Noah, Ayles Ace, Babecv Ambika, Bansal Maria, Barnacha Alysa, Bell Austin, Bice-Pollard Josh, Black Savanna, Brandenburg Finnigan, Buckingham Lucas, Bull Kyara, Caldwell Olivia, Campogrande Siobhan, Cavanaugh Xin, Chen Alex Coffin Lea, Comunale Noah, Dean Tatum, DiCico Daniella Grace, Enicame Tyzik, Fix Mariagrazia, Gavazzoli Oliver, Golder Ella, Golinowski Cohen, Grundy Patrick, Guevarra Reed, Hale Katrina, Hesse Joaquin, Horna Grandez Hunter, Jackson Mani, Joly Mia, Jones-Munro Ayla, Leckenby Aki, Lewis Serena, Luong Vittorio, Massari Chiara, Mazzoni James, McColm Elsa, McLaren Flynn, Migallo Nathan, Mitchell

Wynter Slug, MG

Grade 12 Continued

Kellia, Muhorakeye Arisa, Murakami Hafiz, Naderi Marghertia, Naglia Atira, Niebergall Anna Giulia, Nuccio Vittoria, Odiardo Mica, Olsen Ayane, Oyanagi Silvia, Pecorella Mason, Perry Durga, Phelan Nat, Porkpoonkham Jaida, Ready Teanna, Rianne Vittoria, Rizzo Lilli, Robinson Liana, Suurkask Jackson, Threlfall Jared, Villanueva Angel, Vitalista Chloe, Walker Teagan, Williams Hector, Wilson Gabriel, Wood Morgan, Zocco

Grade 11

Raidon, Amann-Blake Maxim, Balobanov Savannah, Bartleman Sofie, Boesking Kathleen Heart, Caparas Elyse, Clifford Antonio, Coelho Bowie, Connor Xyrehl, Crisostomo Kailani, Czyzewski Van Loudrick, Dazo Yasin, Derdak Rylee, Dixon Lily, Drimmel Elijah, Eldredge Gabriel, Ferreira Bruno

Grade 11 Continued

Rory, Fleming Arco, Foord Ronan, Gates Rainier, Gomez Briar, Gotro Jake, Grenier Melody Joie, Hilario Adam, Hill Tobin, Hocking Sophia, Kahil Ryan, Karimi Chloe, Koncek Chelsea, Kutsal Bijou Lalonde Beaver, Luchina Rayan, M Alhaj Obid Sovan, Manalo-Ung Ella, McCartney Aliyah, Minter Anil, Mishra Avery, Mitchell Faiza, Naderi Ayu, Nagayama Jula, Nickel Mirano, Nishiyama Yoshiko, Oike Spenser, O'Shea Lina, Petros Natthamon, Piasaun Elizabeth, Rose Caleb, Sandham Tyler, Santos Sebastian, Schallie Arne, Schulte Sierra, Seidlitz Ella, Smith Mattigan, Waldron Parker, White Honoka, Yamazaki

Grade 10

Joie Chrystiene, Abellar Aiken, Parker Audrey, Anderson Julia, Arnall Plantes Cole, Barr Aya, Behr Tate, Bevington Claire, Black Samantha, Bodnar Michele, Buckley Diego, Calo Betancourt Ella Chamberlain-Mills Lachlan, Cholette Emilia, Clark Molly, Coffin Kailey, Coulson Maryn, Crossley Torsen, Dale Sullivan, Day Rhiana, Dean Molly, Descantes Miya, Doak Adrian, Evans Dominic, Felton Carolina, Fisher Veronica, Floritto Angel, Gardida Guevara Piers, Gerard Kaya, Gilbert Alexander, Gillingwater Elsa, Haida Bailey, Hanson Brooke, Hanson Ansel, Holm Flower, Hoover Asha, Horter William, Hovey Hillary, Htoon Theodore, Jack Andrew, Janz Flora, Jeque Siheon, Kim Severyn, King Hanna, Kucher Spencer, Kulpas Angelina, Lindsay

Al, Yoshinaga

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Grade 10 Continued	Grade 9	Grade 9 Continued
Grade 10 Continued Agnes, Lord Ahisejah, Mackay Tallulah, MacLeod Denzel, Manna Caylus, Martin Ash, Mitchell Nooreen, Moradmand Sandy, Nguyen Daniel, O'Hara Carasco Chelsey Lorraine, Perera Julia, Pollock Henri, Quillevere Helena, Ramos Micah, Razon Parker, Reeve Ava, Rodriguez Phoenix, Ross Ashton, Routbard Mateo, Ruiz McCarthy, Russell Walker, Sproule Sofia, Spuling Storm, Stubbs Yuri, Takata Ceyla, Taylor Talia, Tuzinde Linn, Vollmer Kaitlyn, West Jaeden, Wiebe David, Wilson Sydney, Woodrow William, Yerex	Alisa, Aldrige Maddison, Anseeuw Tamara, Armstrong Callum, Ayles Arden, Barott Laura, Biro Uisce, Bliss Pascal, Bobbitt Jonnasia, Bonus Marley, Boon Hannah, Booth Aiden, Bras Simon, Brunet Jack, Carmichael Molly, Chrisholm Abrahm, Clysdale Nyah, Cox Lucia, Cross Maya, Davidson Rukmn, Dhillon Sascha, Drimmel Mary, Ducommun Rusty Esmores Sereia, Felipe-Alves Eva, Filipponi Michelle, Fong Soren, Frank Aidan, Fraser Cairo, Gates Karl, Gaton Serena, Gaudin Makenna, Glaab Bella, Gomes Regina, Gonzalez Kara, Griffin Elliot, Guerrero Owen, Hamm Ruby, Hilditch Mya, Holland	Valeria, Lemus Samuella, Lilas Stefen, Lozer Biko, Luma Hunter, Lund Riley MacLeod Ty, Martinuk Aiden, McEvoy Illas, Mehta Nora, Mills Sofia, Morton Cooper Multhauf Ahdiyeh, Newell Cole, Niedjalski Lucy, Parker James, Power Anushobhini, Prasanth Babu Ethyn, Prescott Charlotte, Reed Karah, Reamer Ethan, Reilly Chad, Roberts Ayelen, Robinson Max Rysiew Nico Schmid Ailwyn, Silveria Oliver, Slade Mannat, Soni Bailey, Soper Lily, Summerwood Scarlett, Tasker Supna, Taylor Mynah, Thomas Sam, VanAkker Dexter, Vandekerkhove Beckett, Vanderwal Valeria, Vilchez Patrick, Walasek Sylvie, Watson
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	Camila, Jimenez Yardenne, Katz Bee, Kelly Ace, Kenept-Coombes	Josephine, White Sullivan, Wright
	Tanzie Kaeli, Lagasca Rowan, Lees-Burden	





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LEGAL INFORMATION	
B.C. Ombudsperson	250-387-5855
Crime Stoppers	1-800-222-8477
Dial-a-Law	1-800-565-5297
Law Centre—University of Victoria	250-385-1221
Representative for Children & Youth	1-800-476-3933
Restorative Justice Victoria	250-383-5801
MEDICAL HELP	
BC Drug & Poison Information Centre	1-800-567-8911
Foundry (Victoria Youth Clinic)	250-383-3552
HealthLink BC	811 or 604-215-8110
Island Health Public Health Nursing	250-388-2200
MULTI-CULTURAL	
Anti-Dote Multi-Racial Girls Network	info@antidotenetwork.org
Inter-Cultural Association	250-388-4728
Victoria Immigrant and Refugee Centre	250-361-9433
Victoria Native Friendship Centre	250-384-3211
MENTAL & EMOTIONAL HEAL	TH
B.C. Bereavement Helpline	1-877-779-2223
Crisis Line Association BC	1-800-784-2433
Keity Mental Health	1-800-665-1822
Kids Help Phone Line	1-800-668-6868
Kuu Us Crisis Line Society	250-723-2040
Men's Therapy Centre	250-381-6367
Mental Health Recovery Partners	250-384-4225
Need2—Youth Space Chat Line	Text 778-783-0177
South Island Centre for Counselling	250-472-2851
Vancouver Island Crisis Line	1-888-494-3888
Victoria Youth Empowerment Society	250-383-3514
POLICE (non emergency)	-
Oak Bay	250-592-2424
Sagnich	250-475-4321
Victoria	250-995-7654
SEXUAL HEALTH	
AVI (AIDS VancouverIsland) Health & Community	250-384-2366
Best Babies Fernwood	250-381-1552
Foundry (Victoria Youth Clinic)	250-383-3552
Island Sexual Health Society	250-592-3479
Sex Sense Help Line	1-800-739-7367
YMCA Young Moms Program	250-382-1004
Victoria Pregnancy Centre	250-380-6883

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