

Dear NDSS Parents, Guardians and Students,

Here is the weekly information update for Wednesday, June 8, 2022

Thank You PAC!

- Students have commented how much they like the modern tables and chairs that arrived in our learning commons last week courtesy of PAC. The chairs are fabulous, and the tables are on casters and can be converted to vertical whiteboards.
- A big thank you to parents who attended meetings and/or were on the executive of our [Parent Advisory Committee \(PAC\)](#). In addition to funding the library furniture upgrade, PAC also provided funds for extracurricular clubs, activities, and athletics.
- At the June 3rd meeting, we said [goodbye to Allison Haapala](#), our PAC Treasurer. Allison first joined the PAC at Ecole Hammond Bay at the behest of our current Chair, Jennifer Therriault, which led to 13 years as PAC Treasurer with SD68.
- A heartfelt thanks to Allison for her dedication to all students at NDSS over the past 6 years and a warm welcome to Elizabeth Herman who has stepped up to take over the role of the Treasurer as part of the NDSS 22/23 PAC Executive.
- Additional '[members at large](#)' are still required for next year's PAC and all parents/guardians of NDSS students are welcome at the monthly meetings. The tentative date set for the PAC AGM is Tuesday, September 13 2022 from 7:00-8:30pm.

Events & Opportunities

- This week, the environment committee is hosting *Walk and Wheel!* Come to school on foot or via your wheel of choice. Win prizes by entering the daily draw near the front office and compete as a class tomorrow, during B block, to win a pizza!!
- If you did not pre-order a yearbook through our online cashless system, there are approx. 50 extras in the main office which can be purchased on a first come, first served bases, for \$60 cash or a personal cheque made out to 'School District 68'.
- The last student dodgeball game of the year is tomorrow at lunch where two teams will square off for the championship.

Grad Students vs Staff Basketball Night

- NDSS is hosting its first annual Grad Students vs Staff Basketball Night today at 5:30pm. The event will include a skills competition, a dunk contest and concludes with the game. NDSS students, parents, guardians, and staff are welcome.
- Admission is by donation and all proceeds of the night will go to the charity of choice selected by the winning team.
- The roster for the NDSS teachers' team is Mr. Crnkovic, Mr. Smith, Mr. Laforest, Ms. Taylor, Mr. Shahi, Mr. Halsall, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Bruce and Mr. Reed. As the Principal, please understand that I will be there cheering for both teams 😊

Other Upcoming Events

- Tomorrow evening, Thursday June 9th, at 7pm the NDSS Band is playing a concert in our large gym. All are welcome.
- On Thurs., June 16th NDSS is hosting our Annual Athletics Banquet at 5:30pm. There will be lots of prizes, desserts, a slide show, and awards. All athletes can pick up their tickets in the small gym at lunch tomorrow and Friday or see Mr. Johnson
- Extra Athletic Banquet tickets for parents and guests can be purchased for \$5.00 tomorrow or Friday at lunch.

Lit. & Num. Assessments

- Monday June 13 – Thursday, June 16th will be the last opportunity this year for our grade 12's to write the Ministry Literacy and Numeracy Assessments. These assessments must be completed as part of provincial graduation requirements.
- Grade 12 students who have not yet completed one, *or both*, of these important assessments are asked to check for their name on lists posted on the white board across from the main office to see when and where they are scheduled to write.
- Here is a link with detailed information on these Graduation Assessments: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/assessment/graduation>

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