



Pattison High School

Bits and Bytes

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03 Summer School Classes Begin

06 Activity Day

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August

2- English Provincial

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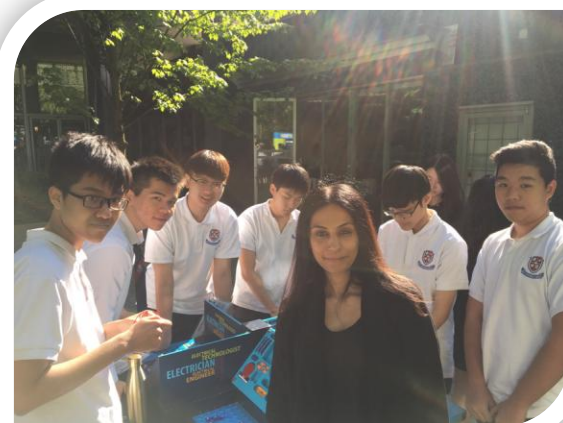
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"We don't teach a class; we teach individual students in a class."



Principal's Message

We have arrived at the time of year when we delight in the abundance of greenery and the extended daylight hours: the months that represent the extension of spring and the hope that the warmth will stay with us for a while. Warmth is a good way to describe the social relationships as we witness and experience them in the international school community.



In the first few weeks of the semester, old friendships continue, and new ones are formed. This is evident in the classrooms, where students provide peer tutoring support to individual peers and small groups of learners. Students are showing enthusiasm for the new Contemporary Music class, and this has spilled into extra-curricular musical activity in classrooms and the lunch room. Together with a new keyboard, and the existing piano in the lobby, this diverse community witnesses a fairly remarkable range of instrumental skills and musical talent.

I write this message two weeks before the scheduled mid-term assessments. It always comes as something of a surprise that the term is fast approaching its half way point – and that your student will receive a report card. No doubt, the students are well aware of this.

One of our teachers has taken on the role of student governance convener, as he facilitates a large group of students who are enthusiastic to participate in a parliament and an executive council. I am told that the school can look forward to initiative and creativity from a structure that may span two semesters of school life. In addition, the Student Activity Coordinator facilitates a calendar of activities and events – for student engagement and enjoyment. The coordinator position puts in the hands of one person the planning and management of many aspects of the students' external learning opportunities and extra-curricular functions.

The school looks forward to welcoming everyone at Parent – Teacher night on Thursday June 21. On June 25 and 27, we will provide an English 12 and communications 12 provincial exam sitting. Another sitting of the provincial exams will take place in the first week of August.

Sincerely,

Daniel Chowne Dip.Ed., MA



Counsellors Corner

With midterms behind us, there is a renewed energy in the school as students look ahead to the second half of the semester.

Our grade 12 students are working hard and looking forward to their much anticipated Commencement Ceremony on July 21 at the Sheraton Wall Center. With this rite of passage comes their exhilarating journey into adulthood. We are constantly feeling proud and inspired by the dedication, resiliency and accomplishments of our students who face the added challenges that come with travelling overseas to study. It has been my pleasure to watch our students grow and conquer their challenges, as well as create fun and meaningful memories at Pattison High School.

A common question I get in my office from students is, "What should I do after high school?" Our school was fortunate to have WorkBC run their *Find Your Fit Tour* at Pattison. This program gave students access to more resources helping them discover what path they may take. The *Find Your Fit Tour* was extremely well-organized with a professional team who provided indispensable resources and experiences for

our students. Our entire school appreciated exploring various

careers with their simulated stations, knowledgeable leaders and their Ipad kiosks. The highly versatile program provided something for every kind of learner. Our students left feeling better equipped to manage their career planning and thrilled about their discoveries.

Thus far, we have had some other exciting trips and events take place this semester. The Planning 10/12 classes went to see the documentary *Minding the Gap*, as they looked into their own personal timelines with their many milestones and turning points. Mr. Woloshyn described the film as "honest and enlightening," with "elements of family struggles, the fine line between discipline and abuse, perpetual cycles youth face, privilege and the dangers of toxic masculinity."

With Canada Day fast approaching, our Academic Readiness students went to FlyOver Canada. They had the opportunity to take a virtual flight across Canada to supplement their in-class curriculum on Canadian landscapes, social surroundings and cultural environments.

Mr. Karim has been diligently working with the Student Government teaching

democracy, cooperation and conflict resolution.

Ms. Egan has been keen to lead the Peer-Tutoring Club, which has not only provided students with personalized attention, increased motivation and improved grades, but it has also given the tutors a sense of accomplishment and responsibility. I've seen positive cross-age relationships develop as students assist one another to accomplish their goals. She is also leading a Music Club and preparing students for a year end performance.

Last but not least, Ms. Subramaniam has been conscientiously leading tutorials to prepare students for their upcoming Grade 12 Provincial Exams.

As a way to enhance the post-midterm energy revitalization, our students will enjoy an exciting school-wide event at Playland on July 6th for Pattison's spring student activity day. Playland is a welcomed choice at Pattison, with their ride pass and BBQ buffet, the staff and students take a break for a prosocial experience!

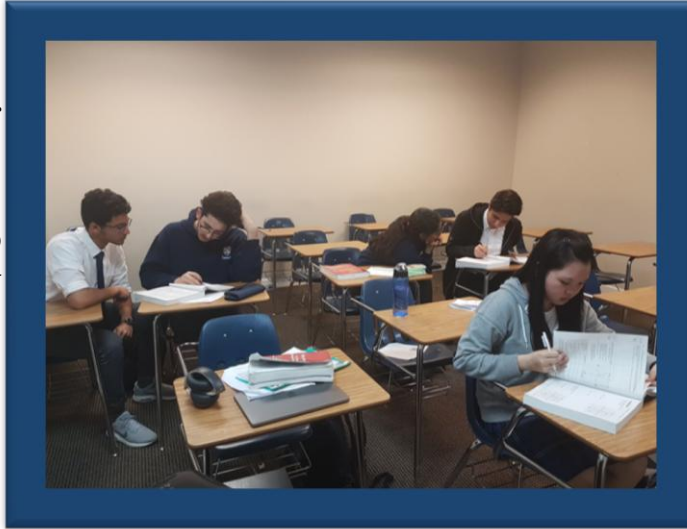
Wishing everyone a wonderful summer with reflective moments that bring discovery and contentment.



Peer Tutoring

Provincial Exam Tutorials

Peer-Tutoring club was set up in the spring semester with the aim of providing extra help and support to students taking any math courses up to Pre-Calculus 12. The club tutors are made up of students who have already completed Pre-Calculus 12 or students who are taking the class this semester. The idea behind peer-tutoring came from the fact that some students prefer to ask their peers for help, instead of asking the teacher. The club currently has 4 tutors who have been working with students in order to help them understand their course material. These tutors are volunteering in the club and provide excellent support for their peers. All students taking Pre-Calculus 10, 11 and 12 or Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10 & 11 are welcome to come along for extra help with their coursework. Peer-Tutoring Club runs Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:45 – 4:45 in room 112 with Ms. Egan.



One of the most important courses in the graduation program is English 12 or Communications 12, including the BC Provincial Exam. This is a three hour exam that tests candidates on reading comprehension, composition, organization, and of course, there is the question of time management. Students will also be tested on a variety of literary terms and devices.

Most students believe that the provincial exam is similar to tests they take in class, but the truth is that the provincial is much harder than any class assessment. The format alone takes a lot of getting used to because are unfamiliar with the structure.

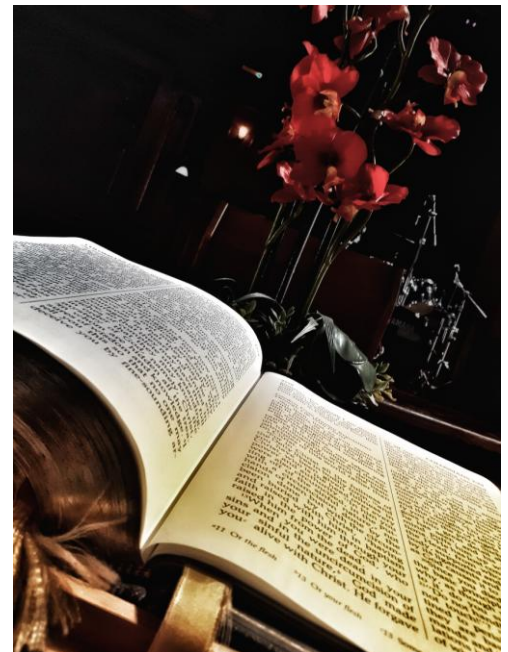
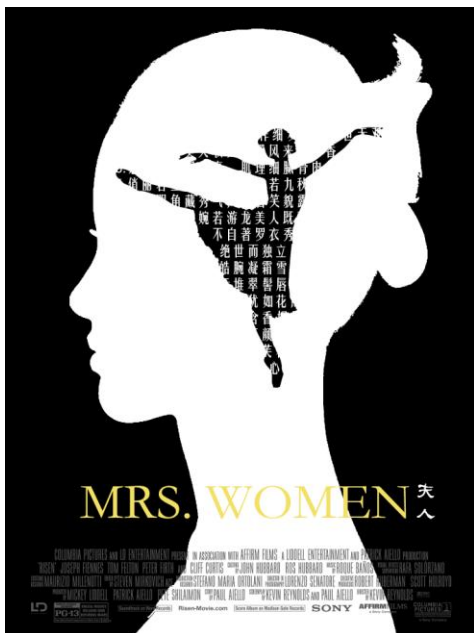
In order to be fully prepared for the exam, students must attend tutorial sessions from 4:15-5:15 in Room 111, with Ms.S. These sessions run on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The schedule will be altered as necessary.

If you have any questions, email Ms.S at jyotsna.subramaniam@pattisonhighschool.ca



Student Photography Class

This semester in art students covered marketing photography. Here are some photos that stood out!
Yasaman Shariatinasab and Gordon Kung





Music Club



Music club was set up last semester and welcomes all students who want to practice performing music or just playing with friends for fun. We started with a small group of three students playing guitar, ukulele and violin, and this semester the club is growing and we have welcomed some singers to the group. We usually play a variety of contemporary music as well as some older classics. We are busy practicing for the upcoming graduation where we expect to provide some music on the night. As always, we would love for more students to join us on Wednesdays at 2:45PM.

Student Government

Come and actively engage in a student government! You can make a real difference at Pattison High School by working together to initiate activities and more! One of the events we have put together is a CoffeeHouse Talent Show for July 18. We have organized a silent auction as well as garage sale fundraiser. All proceeds will be donated to a charitable organization! When student government is not initiating events for our fellow students we are learning about what it means to participate in a democracy, cooperate with one another and resolve our conflicts. If you want to get involved and have a say talk to Mr. Karim and join the student government!





Hola Pattison High School students!

You might be wondering why we have a Spanish club at the school. Here are some reasons why you should join the super cool PHS Spanish Club!

1. It is the second most widely spoken language in the world, with over 500 million speakers!
2. It is closely related to Latin, and studying Spanish has actually been shown to help with English comprehension! Let's look at just one example: the Spanish and Latin word for sun is *sol*, which we can see in many English words, such as solstice and solar system. So if you know the root word in Spanish or Latin, understanding the English word becomes easy!
3. Studying a second or third language has been shown to help with brain development.

So if you are interested in learning Spanish, join the Pattison High School Spanish Club! We will be learning basic phrases and sentences, watching movies, and listening to music! So come and make some friends, and learn a cool new language that is spoken in over 20 countries! Spanish Club will be held in Room 111 every Wednesday at 3, with Ms.S.



Contemporary Music

Class

This term we are delighted to offer a contemporary music class. Students learn about music and play the songs together.



ACTIVITY DAY AT GROUSE MOUNTAIN

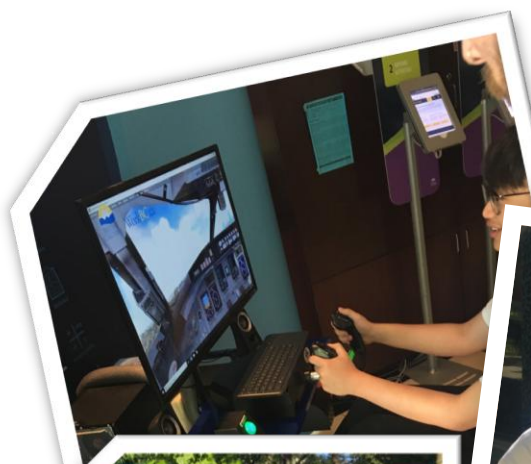


This winter, on Friday, March 2nd, 2018 our students and staff went snowboarding, skiing, and snowshoeing at Grouse Mountain. They were provided with ski & snowboard lessons and developed new skills with the help of professional experts. Everyone enjoyed the beautiful view at that snow covered mountain.

WorkBC Find Your Fit Tour

On May 15 WorkBC hosted an interactive career discovery day! Students were introduced to different jobs and learned what skills were needed for each profession. WorkBC automotive site, and simulator! Everyone

set up an electricians table, aviation had a lot of fun.



Persian New Year

Tuesday, March 20th, 2018, our students and staff celebrated Nowruz, the Persian New Year. They danced to Persian music and had Iranian food. They had a count down from a live Persian TV show. The girls wore colourful clothes and the boys were dressed in formal.

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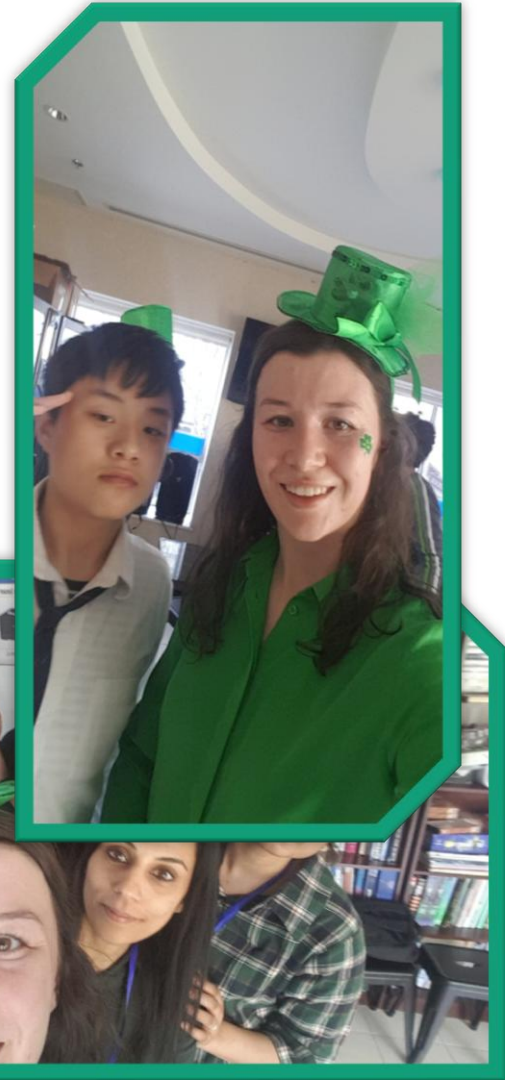
Patrick's Day



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On Friday, March 16th, 2018, we celebrated St. Patrick's Day. St. Patrick's Day is an Irish holiday that celebrates Irish Culture. The student council and Ms. Subramaniam helped decorate the school. Ms. Egan taught students and staff some Irish dances and words. They danced and had a lot of fun!



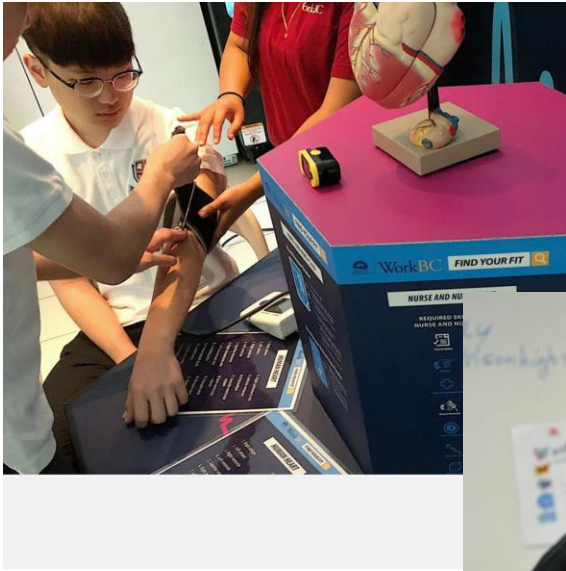
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Pictures

At Pattison High School students come first. more fun pictures of the students here at High School.



Here are Pattison



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2018 University Acceptance

Aelxander College

Xing, Shenglong

Yanliang, Chen

Qian Qiang, Wei

York University

Rui, ZhaoZhijie, Wang

University of Essex

Ayako Zhang

University of British Columbia

Li, Haipeng

Beedies School of Business

Yuxin, Dai

Langara College

Nguyen, Le Ha My

Wanyun, Zou

University of Victoria

Tan, Tamara

Orange Coast College

Lam, Jennifer

Capilano University

Wenxuan, Song

Howwei, Shi

KPU

Suixin, Cai

BCIT

Kian, Fahimi

Douglas College

Cao, Xinyu

University of Toronto

Wang, Zhenyu

Vancouver Film School

Mokhtar, Sara

Simon Fraser University

Chen, Xinyi



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CLUBS AT PHS

CLUBS	WHEN & WHERE	TEACHER
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Student Government	Talk to Mr. Karim for the location	Mr. Karim
Spanish Club	Wednesday @ 3:00, Room 111	Ms. S
Music Club	Wednesday @ 2:45	Ms. Egan
Peer Tutor	Tuesday/Thursday @ 3:45, Room 112	Ms. Egan
Provincial Exam Study	Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays @ 4:15, Room 111	Ms.S

Join the fun! If there isn't a club you like now, then it is up to you to take initiative and make it happen! Suggest any ideas you may have to one of your teachers or Ms. Angela Yaroshuk. Keep an eye out for the upcoming basketball drop-in club that will be happening on a weekly basis at the YMCA!

PROVINCIAL EXAM SCHEDULE

EXAM	JUNE
English 12	Monday the 25 th of June 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
Communications 12	Wednesday the 27 th of June 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
English 12	Thursday August 2nd
Communications 12	Friday August 3 rd

Important:

You must bring 2 pieces of photo identification