



# **PATTISON HIGH SCHOOL**

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### May

01 Orientation Day

11-12 Provincial Exams

22 Victoria Day, no classes

26 Bi-weekly Report #1

### June

09 Bi-weekly Report #2

14-16 Mid-term exams

22-29 Provincial Exams

23 School Activity Day

30 Canada Day, no classes

### July

01 Canada Day

03 Summer school classes  
begin

07 Bi-weekly Report #3

14 Professional Development  
Day, no classes

21 Bi-weekly Report #4

28 Awards & Graduation Day

31 Statutory Day in lieu of  
Monday August 1, no classes

### August

01 BC Day, classes in session

07-09 Final Exams

11 Last day of classes

14-18 Provincial Exams

12-Sept 04 semester break

# Principal's Message

The school is pleased, as I expect that most of us are, to welcome the delayed spring and summer seasons in what is the final term of the 2016-2017 school year. The tree blossoms arrived – and then seemed to depart almost too hastily. Nonetheless, the joyful spring was much appreciated.

I write this message a few days before the scheduled mid-term assessments; it always comes as a small surprise that the term is fast approaching its half way point. No doubt, the students are aware of this as well.

In this semester, we note two structural enhancements to our programming. The first is the scheduling of two IELTS courses [international English language testing system] to support students' progress at the upper levels of language acquisition. One IELTS course is 'Foundations' for students whose score approximates the 4.5 to 5.5 range; the other IELTS course is 'Preparation' for students whose score approximates the 5.5 to 6.5 range.

The second structural enhancement is the increased role of the Student Activity Coordinator for the purposes of a more wide ranging 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 extra-curricular and social lives.

The school looks forward to welcoming everyone at Parent – Teacher night on Thursday June 22. This is also the first of the four day provincial exam sitting: June 22 to 27. As many readers will have learned, the format and delivery of provincial exams in BC is changing in the 2017-2018 academic year. It is best to consult with the counselor, or me, to find out the requirements in relation to your student's graduation plan.

Sincerely,

Daniel Chowne Dip.Ed., MA

# Counselor's Corner

We have now reached the mid-point of the Spring Semester. It is such a pleasure to see students making excellent progress. As a result of their work ethic these students have set exceptional goals for themselves. This semester I am planning to have several colleges and Simon Fraser University to do presentations to our senior students.

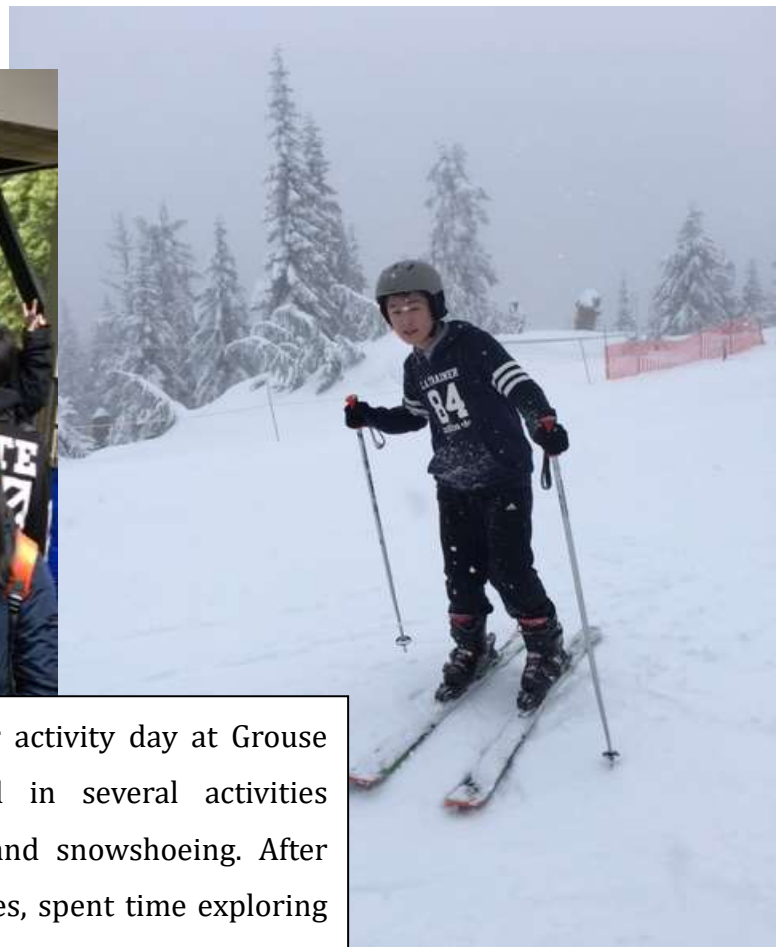
Please do not hesitate to contact me about your concerns. A phone call or a visit to my office may resolve any questions you have.

**Mary Eby, Counselor**

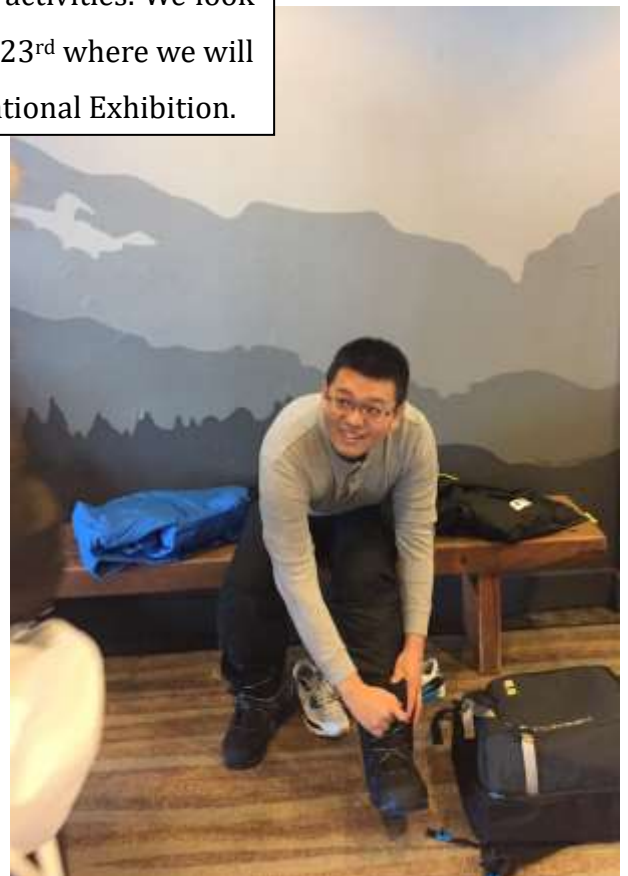
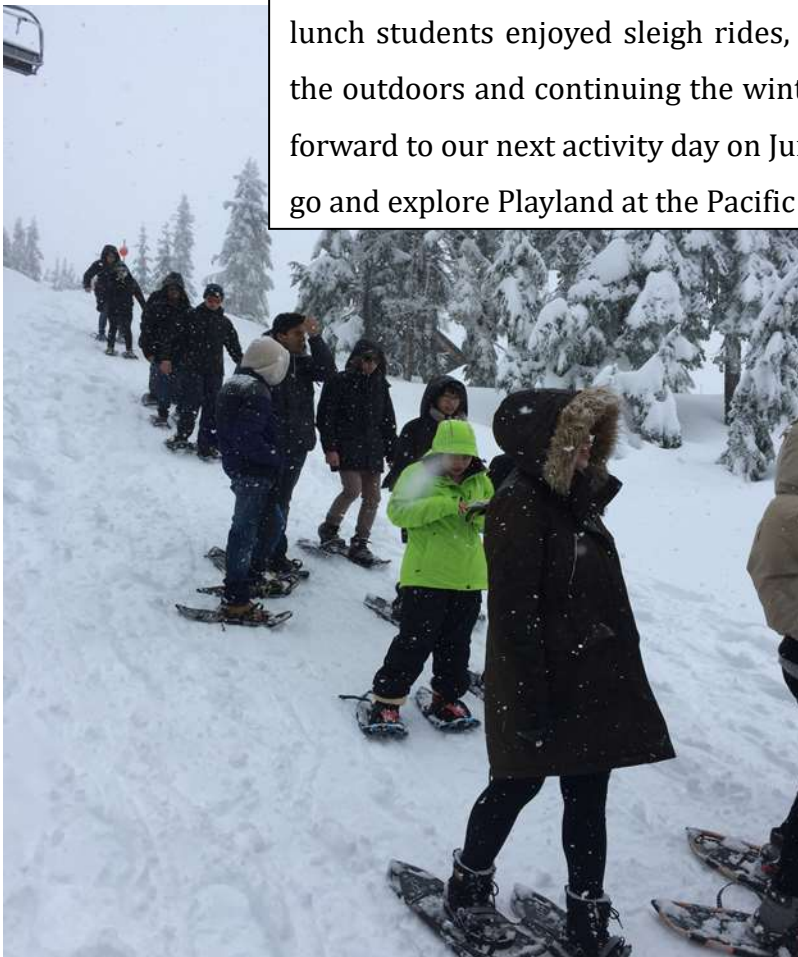


# ACTIVITY DAY WINTER 2017





On Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> we had our activity day at Grouse Mountain. Students participated in several activities including skiing, snowboarding and snowshoeing. After lunch students enjoyed sleigh rides, spent time exploring the outdoors and continuing the winter activities. We look forward to our next activity day on June 23<sup>rd</sup> where we will go and explore Playland at the Pacific National Exhibition.





# Museum of Anthropology Field Trip



The Social Studies classes took a field trip to the Museum of Anthropology at UBC. The students watched an interpretive dance in the morning and viewed the galleries in the afternoon.





## LUNAR NEW YEAR



This year we had our Lunar New Year celebration on Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. The year of the Rooster was celebrated as students and staff gathered to enjoy a variety of delicious Chinese food followed by an afternoon of music and dance.





## *PERSIAN NEW YEAR*



On March 20<sup>th</sup> we celebrated Nowruz. Nowruz directly translates into “new day”. This day marks the first day of the first month in the Iranian calendar. Students and staff enjoyed an abundance of Persian dishes and the celebration continued into the afternoon with music, singing and dancing. We also celebrated St. Patrick’s Day on this day. See the next page for the St. Patrick’s Day celebration festivities.



# ST. PATRICK'S DAY



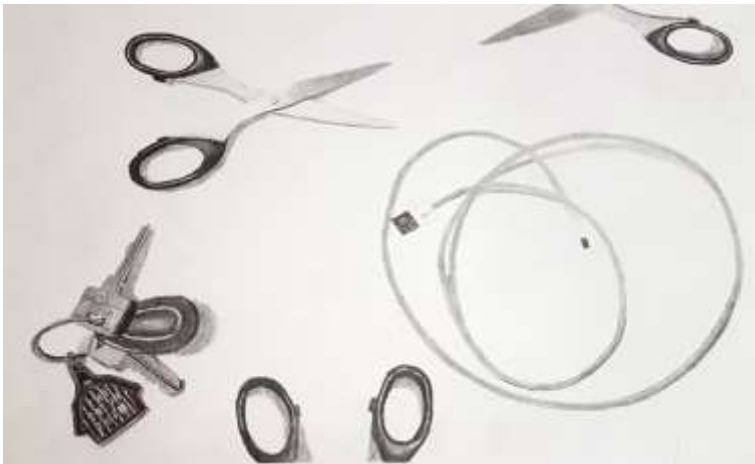
# ART AROUND PATTISON



Afkar Amirrabas – Art 10 (Above)



Vicky Zou & Kira Liu (Above)



Carissa Feng – Art 10 (Above)

Quynh Nguyen – Art 10 (Below)



Enayati Barbod & Aseel Al-Said (Above)

# ME TO WE



The Me to We Club worked hard this semester preparing care packages and distributing them to the homeless in Vancouver.

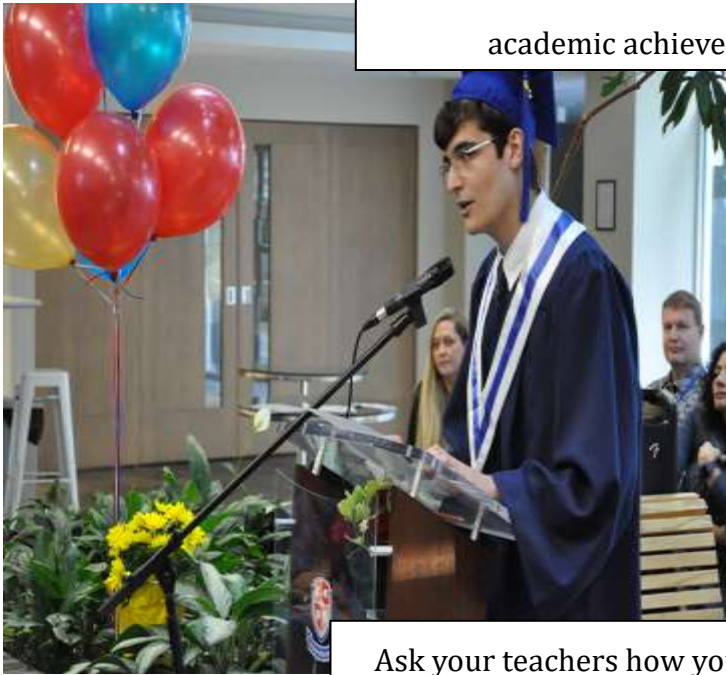


## MS. ERFAN'S PHYSICS CLASS



# AWARDS

Each semester students can receive a variety of academic achievement awards.



Ask your teachers how you can achieve an award.  
Two students may also receive \$500 scholarships.



# CLUBS AT PHS

CLUBS	WHEN & WHERE	TEACHER
<b>Student Council</b>	Thursdays after school: Room 110	Mr. Verney
<b>Me to We/Give Where you Live</b>	Tuesdays after school	Mr. Currie
<b>Reuse, Recycle</b>	Tuesdays after school	Ms. Lu
<b>Games</b>	Mondays after school	Mr. Currie
<b>Math Power</b>	Mondays/Friday at lunch: Room 119	Ms. Erfan
<b>Science</b>	Thursdays at lunch: Room 119	Ms. Erfan

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.

# PROVINCIAL EXAM SCHEDULE

EXAM	JUNE
<b>Workplace Math 10 &amp; Pre-calculus 10 &amp; Science 10</b>	<b>Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am-11 am</b>
<b>English 10 &amp; English 12</b>	<b>Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 1-3 pm &amp; Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> 9-11 am</b>
<b>Social Studies 11</b>	<b>Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> 9am-11am</b>
<b>Communications 12</b>	<b>Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> 9am-11am</b>

## **Important:**

**-Please sign up early**

**-You must bring 2 pieces of photo identification**