



Principal's Message

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

- 08 – Bi-weekly report
- 12 – April Provincial Exam
Tutorial Sessions begin
- 16 – School Activity Day
- 23 – Bi-weekly report
- 30 – Graduation

APRIL

- 04 – Awards Day
- 05, 10, 11 – PHS Final Exams
- 06 – Good Friday – Holiday, classes
are not in session
- 09 – Easter Monday – Classes are
not in session
- 12, 13 – Provincial Exams
- 14 – 29 – Spring Break
- 30 – Orientation Day and the first
day of classes for all students

JUNE

- 20 – 22 – PHS Midterms Semester #3

JULY

- 05 – Parent Night Semester #3

AUGUST

- 03 – 08 – PHS Final Exams – Semester #3
- 10 – Last Day of classes for semester #3

SEPTEMBER

- 06 – Orientation Day and first day of
classes for all students

Forty-eight days and counting! As of March 16, we will have completed 44 instructional days. Students have completed their midterm exams. Students and parents gathered with teachers on March 1 to review student progress. Time is moving swiftly. The students in conjunction with their parent/guardian and teachers have revised their game plans to create a blueprint for success.

Five weeks of instructional time remain before students write their final and provincial exams. Every day counts. Students are now beginning the review process for each of their courses. Project work is being completed, that will provide students with the potential to realize their academic goals. Teachers are revitalizing their lessons to meet the needs of the students with the aspiration of having their clients finish strong.

Students are now involved in the course selection process, in determining their classes for the summer semester. There are a total of 18 instructional days remaining before we say goodbye to another semester. Time becomes a central theme in the job of “getting it done”. It is truly a fascinating site to see how everyone is able to plan, manage and execute their tasks to complete the work in a relatively short period of time.

I would like to commend the students, teachers, parents, and staff for all their efforts in working toward student success. Your efforts collectively have created a winning team and our students are the benefactors.

Sincerely

Ken Davies
Principal of Pattison High School



Activity Day

On **Friday, March 16th** students will be travelling to Cypress Mountain for our activity day. Students will be leaving the school at 8:00 AM and will return to Pattison High School at 4:00 PM. The goal of this Activity Day is to teach skill development and mountain safety while introducing students to the exciting opportunities of winter sports. Students will be able to downhill ski, snowboard, cross-country ski, snowshoe and snow tube. Students will be given lessons in the morning. Equipment is provided including helmets for students in the skiing and snowboarding packages.

It is important that students bring appropriate winter clothing, including jackets, touques, gloves, and pants. Students should wear clothing items that are water resistant. Extra socks, and layered long sleeve athletic shirts are also encouraged. Lunch will be provided at the mountain.



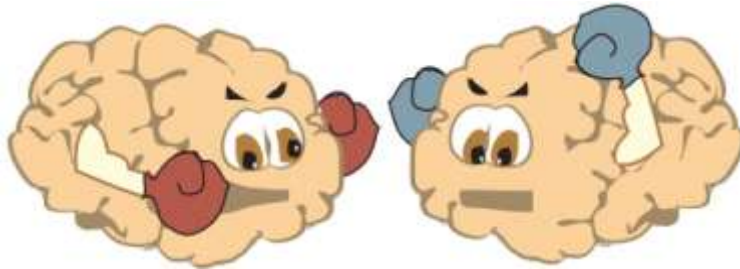
Students are reminded to make sure they have completed all the necessary forms, and parent signatures and have returned them to their period one teacher by now. It is another opportunity to expand our experiences and enjoy the beauty of the place where we live.

Michael Smith Challenge

by Ms. Lau

On February 28, 2012, three of our Science 10 students participated in the Michael Smith Science Challenge. It is a national competition in which students tackle difficult science problems designed to test their logical thinking skills and scientific knowledge. To prepare for the Challenge, **Win Limrattamorn, Stanley Ma, and Ngoc Vo** completed practice examinations and studied topics that were beyond the scope of the Science 10 curriculum.

The provincial winner of the Michael Smith Challenge will be awarded \$100, and the national winner will earn an incredible \$500. Best of luck to our three budding scientists!



Counsellor's Corner

We are now mid way into the Winter semester. Most of the students are working very hard and are being successful in their academic endeavours. Some need to be more focused and spend more time studying in order to achieve success. A good work ethic is one of the main requirements for success in whatever one does. In the next few weeks, I will be meeting with each student to discuss their plans for the next semester. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to call me.



Mary Eby
Counsellor



The One and Only Student Council
by Almon Kung & Beth Lam

Student council is a representative structure for Pattison High School students, through which they can become involved in the affairs of the school. Not only does the student council help share students' ideas, interests, and concerns with teachers and staff, it also helps the members widen their horizons!

A new student council is established each term. Members of the student council can declare their candidacy for **president, vice-president, secretary or treasurer** through a democratic process in which members vote for their candidate of choice. Even though not everyone can hold these positions, each member is valuable and can contribute by joining various sub-committees, such as the decorating committee or the recycling team. In the past, we've held events such as the **Halloween Dance (complete with our own haunted house!), candy gram sale, Valentine's Day "Steal My Heart" game, and Valentine's card delivery.** Through these activities, members developed communication, time-management, and organizational skills.

As Pattison High School's student council, we strive to meet the requests of the student body. We are, after all, committed and determined to make the school full of **magical and unforgettable moments!** Please join us in making Pattison High School a more enjoyable place to be. **Get involved and take part in all of our events!** You will not regret it!