

# This Week @ Oak Bay Nation

Week of April 10-14, 2017



## Have you completed the SD 61 survey about student enrolment priorities yet?

Parents have until Monday, April 10, to complete the student enrolment survey. More than 2,000 parents have completed the surveys to date.

Parents are invited to provide input on what is important to them when it comes to registering their children at school or applying to transfer to another school. The input received will be used to guide recommendations for future student enrolment priorities.

Long term enrolment projections indicate that over the next 10 years the Greater Victoria School District could see an increase of 2,000 students. While it is anticipated that Greater Victoria's 47 schools can accommodate the projected increase of students, some schools will be challenged to meet the requests of both in-catchment and non-catchment students.

Student enrolment priorities are necessary to ensure a transparent and fair process for student registration at all grade levels, including French Immersion and non-catchment students.

A summary of "What We Heard" outlining the process and input collected will be available to the public in May 2017. Recommendations will be presented to the Board of Education on May 23, 2017.

Link to survey: [www.sd61.bc.ca/](http://www.sd61.bc.ca/)

## Parents of Grade 11 Planning Students

The fifth annual SD61 Career Fair is just around the corner!!!! It will take place at SJ Willis Education Center (923 Topaz Ave), on **Thursday, April 20th from 9am - 3pm**. Once again the event will host up to 100 different exhibitors, covering a wide range of industry sectors.

These sectors will include Health, Trades, Business, Tourism & Hospitality, Technology, Sport & Exercise, Art, Culture, Fashion, Agriculture, Education and much more. Within each of these sectors, we will be showcasing a variety of careers represented by passionate professionals that are excited to talk with our students about their jobs, how they got there, and what they love about them!

Oak Bay has arranged for a bus (47 seats) to take grade 11 online and in class planning students to this event. The bus will leave off Cranmore Rd. right at 8:30 am and return to Oak Bay by approximately 10:00 am. If your child will be attending the event they will have to complete the necessary paperwork to secure a seat. Please have students return the parental authority forms to either their teacher or to Mrs. Giesbrecht by April 14th. If your child did not receive the forms for signing and would like to attend, have them get the forms from the Career Centre.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Giesbrecht at [sgiesbrecht@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:sgiesbrecht@sd61.bc.ca)

## CLOTHING DRIVE

Oak Bay Leadership students are organizing a clothing drive from **April 18 to 21**. Any donations of used or new clothes are welcome. Donations can be dropped off in boxes that will be located around the school.

## VCPAC Annual Awards

All SD61 Parents

Each year, the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (VCPAC) recognizes outstanding contributions to the students in our school district at their May General Meeting.

VCPAC is looking for your help in nominating these amazing individuals for one of nine awards. More information, including the VCPAC Award Criteria and Nomination Form, are available on the VCPAC website at [www.vcpac.ca](http://www.vcpac.ca)

*The deadline for nominations this year is May 12.*

## DATES OF INTEREST

April 10-12

Choir Festival

April 13

Team Planning & Study Hall  
No block 1

April 13

Gr. 9 "Speak Out" during Blk 4

April 14

Good Friday  
Classes not in session

April 17

Easter Monday  
Classes not in session

April 15-23

Sr. Band and Choir Trip to Cuba

April 24

PAC meeting 7 pm in the library

April 25-27

Dance Festival

April 27

Team Planning & Study Hall  
No block 2

April 27-30

Grade 9 Band Trip to Whistler

May 2

Physics students trip to Playland

May 2

West Coast Jazz Festival in  
Nanaimo

May 3

AP English Literature Exam

May 5

AP Studio Art Portfolios Due

May 5-7

Outdoor Pursuits Club - Juan de  
Fuca Trail

June 29

Last day of school  
Report card distribution