

Oak Bay High School This Week @ Oak Bay High

Week of September 9-13, 2019

"This Week @ Oak Bay High" Newsletter

This year the school will continue with our format of a weekly school newsletter. "This Week @ Oak Bay High" will be emailed to parents/guardians each Monday. The newsletter will have timely news and helpful links to keep parents informed. The newsletter will also be posted on the school website - <u>School Newsletter</u>, as well as a link sent through the My OB app.

Student Photo Day

Thursday, September 12

Photographers from Mountain West Studios will be at the school on Thursday, September 12 to take student photos. For best photo results, it is recommended not to wear green-coloured clothing, clothing that contains green-coloured patterns or solid white.

All students are encouraged to have their photo taken so that they will receive a student photo ID card.

There is no obligation to purchase a photo package. Parents will receive information later this month on how to order student photos on line from Mountain West Studios.

Student Attendance - Reporting Student Absences

If a student is absent from school, a parent/guardian is asked to either email oak-bayattendance@sd61.bc.ca or phone the school at 250-598-3361, select option 1. Please give student's name, reason for absence and length of absence.

Student Parking

Students who bring cars to school should park in the Goldsmith parking lot located near the track at the end of Goldsmith Avenue. Some street parking is also available on Cranmore Road. Students are not permitted to park in the lot in front of the school or in the Cranmore Road parking lot.

Cops for Cancer (C4C)

Our C4C 2019 Campaign is kicking into high gear. Bottle Drive, Silent Auction and a second Car Wash are some of the events planned for September.

The next event is a **CAR WASH** on **Saturday, September 14 from 9:00 a.m.to 4:00 p.m.** in the Cardboro Bay Road parking lot in front of the school. *Car wash by donation*.

Future Events:

- September 19 Silent Auction during Meet the Staff Evening
- September 28 Bottle Drive 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Upcoming Dates

September 12

• Student Photos

September 13

• Schedule "E"

September 14

• C4C Car Wash 9-4

September 16

- Gr 9 Assembly in Focus
- PAC Meeting 7 pm

September 16-18

Jazz Band Auditions

September 17

- Gr 10 Assembly in Focus
- Fire Drill

September 18-20

Band/Strings Trip

September 18

• Gr 11 Assembly in Focus

September 19

- Gr 12 Assembly in Focus
- Meet the Staff Evening

September 20

• Schedule "E"

September 23

Pro-D Day

September 24-26

Musical Auditions

September 25

Team Planning



MyEducation

Student Marks and Attendance Portal: Instructions for Parents

Student accounts in MyEducation BC have been created for all students. Please click here to view information on available features and how parents can access their child's MyEd information through the student portal.

Career Connections Expo

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The **Career Education Department** at Oak Bay High School is hosting our first **Career Connections Expo** on November 6, 2019 and we need your help and expertise!

Our mission is to offer Oak Bay High students an opportunity to connect with people from a wide variety of career sectors to explore and learn from the experts (that's you!). Students will pre-select two sessions of their choice in the career areas that they are interested in learning more about. Sessions will be 30 minutes (15-20 minute presentations followed by a 10-minute Q & A).

We are requesting your help in developing our speaker selection list. If you or someone you know would be interested in participating, please complete the attached google form and you will receive a follow-up email with further details.

Please consider helping our students learn more about the variety of available career options.

To complete the Google Form please click the link below:

https://forms.gle/CpMKmX1svxvHUB567

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Roxanne Taggart at rtaggart@sd61.bc.ca

Thank you!

LINKS OF INTEREST

- ◆ Daily Announcements: The school daily announcements can be viewed by clicking the link in the bottom left corner of the Oak Bay High School web page. Announcements are posted each morning at approximately 9:30 a.m. Click "Daily Announcements"
- My OB App: Parents, students and staff can now download the new Oak Bay High app to receive news, notifications and important information about our school in addition to helping with organizations such as access to a personal calendar and assignment list that the students own and create—My OB App
- PAC Information: Follow this link to the PAC page on the school website Oak Bay PAC
- Staff Directory: A list of Oak Bay Staff members, including staff emails, is located on the school website under Staff Info - Staff Directory.



Dear Parent/Guardian:

Oak Bay High School has partnered with myBlueprint to provide you and your child with an engaging online education and career/life planning tool.

myBlueprint Education Planner (7-12) includes many beneficial resources to support your child as they progress through their education including:

- Who Am I Complete 5 assessments to learn and discover more about yourself, including Learning Styles,
 Myers-Briggs Personality, Holland Interests, Knowledge, and Motivations
- * **High School** Visually plan courses, track progress toward graduation, and instantly identify post-secondary eligibility for opportunities in all destinations
- * **Post-Secondary** Explore post-secondary options and compare detailed information on apprenticeships, college programs, university programs, and workplace sectors across Canada
- * Goals Set S.M.A.R.T. goals and action plans to help achieve them
- * Occupations Explore occupations and compare comprehensive information on job outlooks, salary ranges, and more, including the ability to identify occupations that are a good match
- Resumes & Cover Letters Record personal experiences, build resumes, and write cover letters
- Money Build a budget to learn about income and expenses and develop financial literacy
- Job Search Explore real-world job postings that relate to occupations of interest
- Portfolios Document and reflect on learning, keep record of important learning, and share your progress with parents, teachers, or future employers

To explore the features of myBlueprint, you can create a **Family Account** and link to your child's account (requires student approval). With direct access from home, you can get more informed and involved with your child's education, and support your child in making the most informed decisions about their future.

To create your **Family Account**, follow these simple steps:

- 1. Visit www.myBlueprint.ca
- 2. Click **Sign Up** at the top right corner
- 3. Enter your child's school Activation Key: oakbayhigh
- 4. Select Family
- 5. Complete the sign up form

You can also watch a video about the Family account at myBlueprint.ca/support/videos. We encourage you to get started today!

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Taggart at rtaggart@sd61.bc.ca

Family Accident Reimbursement Plan Voluntary Insurance

The School District's insurance partner, iA Financial Group, is now offering a new comprehensive accident insurance plan with a critical illness component designed for the whole family.

The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan is ideal for supplementing costs not covered by your provincial health insurance or existing employer extended health and dental plans. Regardless of the size of your family, all eligible family members can be insured under one set monthly rate.

Your coverage also includes a critical illness component, which pays out a lump-sum amount if any of the covered individuals are diagnosed with one of the covered conditions. Plus, the money can be spent however you need. Use it to pay medical expenses, take care of bills or cover income lost due to recovery. That's one less thing to worry about while you or someone in your family recovers from a serious illness.

Key Benefits

Accident Insurance Benefits

Accident Insurance Benefits are payable if an injury from an accident results in a loss, treatment, or expenses not covered by any existing health plans. Specific benefits covered include:

- A Permanent Total Disability Benefit of \$100,000
- An Accidental Death Benefit of \$20,000

Expense Reimbursement Benefits

- Dental Benefits should any of your children require dental treatment resulting from an accident, they can receive coverage for dental work done within 7 years after the accident.
- Hospital Stay Benefits covers hospital services (including hospital room and other necessary hospital services such as a registered nurse, wheelchairs, casts and prescription drugs)
- Funeral Expense Benefit up to a maximum of \$5,000

Critical Illness Insurance Benefits

- Tax-free lump-sum payment of up to \$10,000 if an insured is diagnosed with one of the following conditions:
 - Cancer (Life Threatening), Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery, Heart Attack, Stroke, Cerebral Palsy,
 Congenital Heart Disease, Cystic Fibrosis, Down Syndrome or Muscular Dystrophy.

Plan Details

• One low monthly price of \$39.95 covers all eligible family members – an insured adult, an insured spouse and any number of dependent children

To apply or to find out more, visit solutions in surance.com/aonbc

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