



Oak Bay High School

Next Week @ Oak Bay High

Feb. 22-26, 2021

February 19, 2021

Update for Covid safety measures

As you will likely have heard through the media and through our Superintendent's letter to families last week, the Ministries of Health and Education recently announced a number of enhanced safety measures for schools. Our school will be taking steps in the coming days to ensure we have fully implemented the new measures by the Feb 26th deadline.

Beginning tomorrow, Feb. 11th, our school will be implementing the following enhanced measure:

Staff and Students will now be required to wear non-medical masks in all indoor areas, including when they are with their learning groups. The only exceptions are when:

- ***sitting or standing at their seat or workstation in a classroom;***
- ***there is a barrier in place; or***
- ***they are eating or drinking***

As with all new safety measures, clear communication, consistent expectations and patience will be required. Staff will communicate this new expectation as part of tomorrow's classes.

In the following days we will be working to make sure that other safety measures are in place, including: updated signage and floor marking, reviewing our entrance and exit procedures and creating plans to help reduce congestion and crowding.

As a school community we should all be very proud of our collective response to the challenges of this unique year. The students and staff have shown incredible patience, flexibility, understanding and resilience.

Thank you for your continuing efforts around our collective health and safety. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

PAC Meeting Monday Feb 22nd 7pm

All Oak Bay High parents and guardians are invited to attend our upcoming PAC Meeting via Zoom Monday, February 22nd at 7:00 p.m. In addition to the Principal's update, there will be an overview of graduation timelines and potential activities for this year's graduating students. Any parents who are interested in being involved in graduation planning are invited to attend. We hope you can join us.

Parents may join the link

at: <https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/68539465071?pwd=Wjc3d09XbnRkZ1ZZTURiWEhONzNTQT09>

From Chek News

Read more about the ongoing efforts to support Quinn Schaddelee, an amazing student here at Oak Bay High. [LINK](#)

Math department

"If you signed up and paid for the **University of Waterloo** Pascal (Gr.9), Cayley (Gr.10) or Fermat (Gr.11) Mathematics Contest, it is taking place NEXT **Wed. Feb.24th from 12:30-1:45pm** (during Support Block). Please bring a pencil,

UPCOMING DATES

February 22

PAC Zoom meeting
@7pm

February 24

Pink Shirt Day

March 5

End of Term 1

March 8

Start of Term 2

March 11

Valedictorian Speak off
During Bl. G

March 12

Last day of classes
before Spring Break

eraser and scientific calculator with you (no phones or other devices allowed). We'll provide you with scrap paper and a chocolate bar!! You can try some past contests to prepare at: https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/past_contests.html. Do NOT guess answers. Blank answers get a zero, but wrong answers get negative points. Only fill in the multiple choice answer if sure. Your ranking in Canada, certificates and medal prizes will be awarded in late March. Stay tuned. The Gr. 12 Euclid contest is on Wed. April 7th (not next Wed). Good luck!!

Here are the room numbers for each grade; wear a mask for the entire 60 minute contest:

Room 306 (Courtney) - Grade 9s

Room 307 (Carter) - Grade 11s

Room 308 (Smith) - Grade 10s "

Making the Transition to Post-Secondary

Understanding the Joys and Challenges of your First Year

**Zoom Presentation by Rebecca Gagan, Assistant Teaching Professor in
the Department of English and Founder and Director of UVic Bounce**

7:00pm Wednesday February 24, 2021

<https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/65766778073?pwd=NFc3M2F4aEhnQ1Z4UUU5YlBzL3JPQT09>



Alexandra D'Arcy, Professor of Linguistics and Associate Dean Research, University of Victoria. Photo by: Chorong Kim

The transition to post-secondary education is an exciting period of learning and growth. However, more than ever, it is also a time in which students experience new challenges and difficulties, everything from moving away from home (or not!), to social expectations (how do I connect with classmates and professors online?), to work pressures, to academic pressures. In order to be prepared for the transition to post-secondary, it is important to take time now to reflect on a questions about how to prepare for the transition in order to thrive in your first-year of post-sec

Join Rebecca Gagan, Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of English, and Founder and Director of the University of Victoria's Bounce program (www.uvic.ca/bounce and insta: @uvicbounce) for informative presentation to discuss strategies for successfully navigating the transition to post. By changing the way we understand and talk to students about their struggles, we can help them before they become overwhelmed. This presentation will explore how to build positive coping will change the course of a student's academic journey and particularly their experience of the in post-secondary. This talk is for students, parents, and guardians. Presented by:



Humanities

Grade 12's and parents and guardians of grads!

This event is specifically for you.

Mr. Alexander is co-hosting an evening event with
Dr. Rebecca Gagan on
Wednesday, February 24th
@ 7pm over Zoom.

How to be prepared to make the transition to
postsecondary after life at Oak Bay?

Please join the session, hear from a professor who is
working directly with 1st year students and has great
insights as how to transition well, especially in with
online learning.

www.uvic.ca/bounce

instagram: @uvicbounce

<https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/65766778073?pwd=NFc3M2F4aEhnQ1Z4UUU5YlBzL3JPQT09>

Meeting ID: 657 6677 8073

Passcode: 285826

From the Career Centre

DREAM BIG – GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

We would like to invite you and your students and families to this exciting career expo on the evening of **February 24th from 6:00-8:30pm**. Learn about exciting careers at this FREE online event for young women and those that identify as female in grades 7-12!

Students/families will register on the Eventbrite link here:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/dream-big-greater-victoria-tickets-124287700859>

DETAILS:

- ❖ Join us from the comfort of your own home, and tune in virtually!
- ❖ Learn more about careers in skilled trades, science, technology, engineering, math, emergency services, and entrepreneurship.
- ❖ Making decisions about a future career path can be difficult, but we are here to help! Tune in to get insight into new careers, resources, and information, PLUS insight into different employers and post-secondary education options.

The event features:

- Dream Maker Panel: Women from various careers share their stories and inspire
- Employer Spotlight: Hear what employers look for in new employees!
- Pathway Spotlight: College, University, and Apprenticeship
- Games, Prizes, Survey, and More!

This is a FREE event! Join us and discover your career path!

Pink Shirt day

Contest Winner Kate Andrews

PINK SHIRT DAY



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FEBRUARY 24th 2021

Second Place Winner Athena Lynngood

