



Oak Bay High School

Next Week @ Oak Bay High

Sept. 20-24

Sept. 17, 2021

As we wrap up our second week of the school year, I am hoping everyone is feeling more settled into their courses and generally with being back at school. It is wonderful to see students in our halls, using lockers, engaging in clubs and sports etc. Having said that, safety still remains our number one concern for everyone is our building and I ask that you please ensure that your child wears a mask when at school and that they do not attend school when they feel sick. Thank you for your continued support to ensure our school remains a healthy and safe learning environment.

Meet the Teacher Night

This year's Meet the Teacher night will be next Tuesday, Sept 21st. The meetings will be held virtually via Zoom starting at 6:30pm. Staff will be emailing all parents/guardians an email invitation to join the meetings by the end of the day Monday. These meetings are to allow parents/guardians to put a face to the name of their child's teacher and hear an overview of the class.

Meet the Teacher Schedule:

Blk A - 6:30pm

Blk B - 6:50pm

Blk C - 7:10pm

Blk D - 7:30pm

Outside the timetable - 7:45pm

There will be an opportunity to speak with your student's teacher(s) in more detail about your child's learning at our scheduled Parent Teacher Meetings later in the semester.

School Calendar

This year we moved our school calendar to an online version. You are encouraged to please check this link on our website for our most up to date calendar of events

<https://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/calendar/>

There is also a handy year at a glance calendar for major events that you can reference here https://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/37/2021/09/21_22-Year-at-a-Glance-FINAL.pdf

Updated Timetable (Focus Block)

Starting next Monday, September 20th, we will shift to our regular daily timetable, (attached to this email for your reference) or viewable at this link

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aVK2apE7JcJHXqXdmVceSOomOIVgJmSv/view?usp=sharing>.

The school start and end times of 9am and 3pm will not change but we will be introducing focus blocks into our timetable as well as team planning on some Wednesday mornings. Focus block is a period of time (45min) four times a week where students are able to choose which subject they wish to focus on. The belief is that students know best where they need to apply their efforts to ensure they are able to stay on top of their studies and this time allows for them to do so while getting the support they need from their teachers here at school. We are looking forward to having this flexible time back in our timetable.

PAC meeting

The Oak Bay High PAC invites parents and guardians to our Annual General Meeting next Monday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the library. We will introduce our 2021/22 PAC Executive and hear from our principal, Tom Aerts, about the return to school as well as what we can expect in the weeks ahead.

Meeting attendance is limited to 30 participants total in order to maintain physical distance, so if you wish to attend, it is recommended that you sign up as soon as possible at this

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30e0444aeac2aaafe3-obhpac>.

(Parents are reminded that masks are required indoors at Oak Bay High. Parents will be asked to enter via the front doors of the school, use the hand sanitizer provided, and proceed directly to the library.)

UPCOMING DATES

Sept. 20

PAC meeting @7pm
(see info about signing up for meeting in newsletter)

Sept. 21

Meet the Staff Event
6:30pm-8:00pm

Sept. 27

Pro-D
No classes in session

Sept. 28-30

Music Theatre
Auditions

Sept. 30

National Day of
Truth and
Reconciliation
No classes in session

Oct. 1

Cops for Cancer Visit

If you would like to get involved, receive additional information about open positions, or if you have any questions, please contact Kimberley Rogers at kimberleyrogers68@gmail.com or visit the PAC webpage: <https://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/parent-info/oak-bay-high-school-pac/>

Cops 4 Cancer Campaign

Thanks to everyone who has supported our Cops 4 Cancer Campaign already this year. We have some upcoming events to let you know about:

Bottle Drive, Saturday September 18th - Please drop off your bottles and cans in the rear parking lot of the school tomorrow between 9 and 3.

Online Auction, Tuesday Sept 21st - Thursday September 30th - There will be an online auction starting next Tuesday, Sept 21st. Auction items can be viewed and bid on starting on the 21st, a link will be sent next week. We are still hoping to collect a few more items for the auction. If you are able to donate any items we would appreciate this. We will take items from gift cards, or a service from a local business to goods and products. Please bring the items by the office or email Mr. Aerts at taerts@sd61.bc.ca with information about what you are able to include in our auction.

Garage Sale, Saturday Sept 25th - We will be hosting a garage sale at our school on the 25th from 9 - 3pm. We will be accepting donations at the rear of the school on Friday the 24th from 9 - 5pm.

Lastly, students are canvassing the neighborhood and you can also support the student led Cops 4 Cancer initiative by donating to the team fundraising page here: <https://bit.ly/OBC4C2021>

Orange Shirt Day

On September 29th, please encourage your child to wear an orange to school. Our goal is that at least 215 staff and students are wearing Orange. In doing so we are remembering both residential school survivors and also those who did not survive. Staff and students can get orange shirts anywhere. It does not have to have a First Nations print on it to count. Also, Leadership will have orange shirt pins for those that forget on the day.

On September 29th at lunch, we will have Eddie Charlie, one of the organizers of Orange Shirt Victoria speaking. He is one of the key leaders who have fought to make Sept 30th a national holiday.



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