



L'École Secondaire Oak Bay High

April 14, 2023

Dear Parents, Guardians & Students;

Important Dates for next week:

Apr 17, 2023	PAC Meeting (Cafeteria @ 7:00 pm)
Apr 18, 2023	Capstone Showcase (gym 6:00 - 8:00 pm)
Apr 19, 2023	Capstone Showcase (gym 6:00 - 8:00 pm)
April 20, 2023	Concert Choir Concert

From PAC

Upcoming PAC meeting – Monday, April 17 -- 7 pm in the Cafeteria

Topics to be discussed: Principal's update, upcoming events, next year's PAC, graduates' block party

We welcome all parents and caregivers to participate.

Planning for PAC in the next school year 2023/24

The PAC is encouraging new membership for the upcoming year 2023/24. Being part of the PAC is a great way to connect to the school in a phase where we may be less directly involved in our children's activities and coming and going from school. Oak Bay High is a dynamic and growing school with a lot going on. Through being involved in the PAC you can be part of conversations about both curricular and extra-curricular programming. One of the important roles of the PAC is to receive and assess funding requests from clubs and new initiatives in the school. It can also be an opportunity to learn more about the bigger picture of the school district.

Key roles will be transitioning for 2023/24 – Chair, Treasurer, Members at Large, Communications, Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils. The time commitment depends on the number of activities the PAC plans. The PAC meets most months (breaks around Christmas and Spring Break), currently on Monday evenings. This year we have had two Co-Chairs to share the work.

There will be an election for new members at the last PAC meeting of the year on May 15. Members can be added at subsequent meetings in the Fall.

We'd be happy to talk to you more about this. Please contact Co-Chairs Kathryn Robertson and Kris Nichols cochairsobhpac@yahoo.com

Upcoming event -- "Keeping children safe from Sexual Exploitation" -- Thursday May 4 6:00-7:30 pm at Oak Bay High Dave Dunnet Theatre

Willows PAC is organizing a parent education evening with speaker Tiana Sharifi, CEO of the Exploitation Education Institute. Tiana has spoken at sexual exploitation and human trafficking conferences around the world. The talk will focus on the following:

A parent's goal is the safety and health of their child. This can feel like an impossible feat in a technology heavy and peer reliant world for our children and youth. Learn about the different forms of sexual exploitation, online and in person, alongside practical tips and strategies you can use as a parent to help keep your children and youth safe from all forms of sexual exploitation. Parents will walk away having knowledge on online sexual exploitation and how they can keep their children and youth safe.

Travel opportunity for students in the Arts...

The Grand Tour Art Trip 2024, going to London, Paris, Florence and Venice.

The Next Art Trip is the first two weeks of July 2024.

Students who are interested need to pick up the information brochure and application from Ms Wright in room 146, email questions to me at cwright@sd61.bc.ca.

Applications with deposit are kindly required by April 14th. An information session with CSLI Tours will be held on April 19th 7pm in room 146.



From the Career Center...

Any students interested in volunteering at Victor School, please go to the following [link](#) for more information. This is a wonderful way to gain both valuable experience and potentially, volunteer hours necessary for graduation.

From the Interact Club...

The Interact club is organizing a Seed Sale fundraiser in which all funds go to providing preschool to children in Rwanda. This sale is open to students, parents/guardians and any members of the community with a green thumb. We encourage anyone who is interested in supporting the fundraiser to stay tuned for upcoming dates as well as a School Cash Online link for preorders.

Seed selection includes the following:

Carrots

String beans

Spinach

Rhubarb

Cucumbers

Marigolds

Tulips (white, yellow, pink)

Pansy's (varying in colour)

Thank you so much

Sincerely, the Interact club team

