

The Grapevine

Alberni District Secondary School December 6th, 2021

Web site Address: www.sd70.bc.ca/adss

Happy Holidays! December is finally upon us and with that, so is the precarious weather. If you are wondering if we are having a snow day, please go to the SD70 website or listen to 93.3 the Peak for updates. If busses can safely run, then school is in session.

We want parents to be aware that report cards went out on Friday, November 26th. If you did not receive your students report card, please ask them to check their backpacks.

Also, parents, please note that if your student is absent or late and you wish to excuse them, you need to call the main office at 250 723-6251 or email the main office. Teachers are not able to excuse students; they can only mark absent, present or late. You may also use our School Day app to report an absent or go to our ADSS website under Contact Us.

Colleen Brooks, Secretary

Alberni District Secondary School

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ADSS BAND

Concerts:

"Coming up this month we have our annual Winter Concerts. It's an exciting time of year and a time for all our musicians to show off the hard work they've been putting in. We will have two concerts this year, Tuesday December 14th featuring students in Grades 9 and 10, and Wednesday December 15th featuring students in Grades 8, 11/12, and our R&B Group. The concerts are free of charge! Seating is limited to a 250-person seating capacity due to VIHA restrictions on events, therefore audience members will need to present a ticket at the door. Tickets can be obtained through Mr.Kynoch in the Music Room. Students will need to come see him at lunch or after school. Each performer is limited to 2 tickets per evening at this time, to allow the opportunity to have everyone to bring their own personal cheering section. More tickets will be made available the week of (starting December 13th) on a first come first serve basis. Please note we will not be checking vaccination status as this concert as outline by VIHA, but we will require all audience members to wear a mask from the moment the enter our building to the moment they leave. Please note all students need to arrive on their evening no later than 6:30pm and in the Music program uniform which can be found on our website www.adssmusic.weebly.com if you are unsure of what that looks like. We will also be holding a 50/50 draw both evenings so a chance to spread some holiday cheer to yourself or others."

We will also be live streaming our events on our Facebook Page, which you can find us at ADSS Music - Home | Facebook

Follow our page to be able to join the live stream. Please note we are working with the technology we must create the best experience possible while still running a concert. Our music teachers are always working to improve this experience, but it is new for all of us. Comments are welcomed during the stream, but no one is there to answer them. We highly recommend headphones to create the best sound experience."

Pancake Breakfast:

"The morning of December 17th ADSS Music students will be invited into the band room between 7:30-8:30 for a free pancakes breakfast. Options will be available for those who have celiac related complexities. This is a celebration of all our students hard work and to enjoy the last day with them."

Trips:

"We are nearing the deadline for deposits and travel contracts which are due on December 17th. Please find the information on our website at:

Trips/Travel - ADSS Music (weebly.com)

This information was emailed out in our November newsletter. If you did not receive this, please check to make sure you have the right email address with the main office. As always if finances are a challenge, please contact the music directors and we will find a way to make things work. If students are giving their absolute best efforts in class, we are willing to do ours for them too."

Josh Kynoch

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CAREERS AND ADVISING

December 7th in the ADSS theatre, several community groups are presenting to our Indigenous and Metis students in grades 10-12, career and post secondary opportunities and options for after high school.

Students will be called to the ADSS theatre at the time of the event.

Please come see the options our community offers for connections and supports for your future. (Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, this is a student event only)

Topic: The following agencies will be presenting local information to Indigenous & Metis students Gr 10 to 12:

- Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Employment & Training Program (NETP) Melanie Cranmer
- North Island College Marisa Bennett & Luke George
- Work BC (Port Alberni) Jynaya Gray & Corinne Moore
- INEO Employment Services Terry Deakin
- Industry Training Authority (ITA) Tawni Wilkins

Where: ADSS Theatre

When: Tuesday December 7th 10:15 -11:15

FOOD DRIVE - DEC 8th

ADSS Athletic Teams and Coaches will be doing a food drive to support the Salvation Army in their collection of food for folks that need a little help this holiday season. They will be coming around to your homes on Wednesday, December 8th between 5:00 and 7:30 pm. Please give some nonperishables if you are able. Please let your friends and family know about this event.

******Last day of classes before winter break is Friday, December 17th, 2021



ONGOING FOOD/CLOTHING COLLECTION

Students will also notice a winter clothing bin in the upper commons. These bins will be there until, Dec 14th. The leadership classes are coordinating these, but they obviously need the assistance of all of us to make these donations to the Salvation Army worthy...as we typically do. A few bulleted notes on the donations:

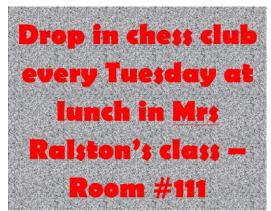
- All food will be donated to the Salvation Army. They will also accept toys, baby needs, hygiene
 products, toiletries, and things such as spices that are often not considered.
- The winter clothing will be picked up by someone that volunteers to help the homeless. It will
 be distributed directly to those living on the streets of Port Alberni. All gently used clothing will
 be accepted. Outside of the obvious, some things that are also in great need are, boots, socks,
 raingear, hats.

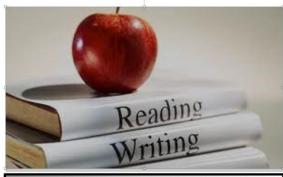
ADSS CLUBS/GROUPS











AFTER SCHOOL WRITING CLUB – EVERY WEDNESDAY IN ROOM #209 FROM 3:15-4:15

Creative Writing, poetry, stories, creative non-fiction – If you love writing, come out and loid us!







Make sure to allow it to receive notifications when asked - the school will use them to send out important reminders, information and alerts.

2. Select your school

The first time you start the app you will need to select your school. Choose a province, school district, and finally your school from the lists provided, and tap "confirm". This only needs to be done once.

3. Subscribe to channels.

Channels let the school administration and teachers send out information specific to your classes and activities, so you get only those notifications for your classes and those of interest to the entire school. To subscribe to channels:

- · Tap the menu icon at the bottom left
- · Select "Select Channels" from the menu
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Remember to check back regularly for new channels that your teachers may have added.

4. Enter your classes

Tap on the gear icon in the bottom right corner. Enter your class names and select colours. You can also enter morning, lunch, and after school activities.

5. Access school and class links and files

The school and teachers will add links and files that provide resources to the school community such as course materials for remote learning, health advisories, and other school, district, and provincial information. To access these school-wide and channel-specific resources: To subscribe to channels:

- · Tap the menu icon at the bottom left
- Select "Files and Links" from the menu.

Remember to check back regularly for new resources that your teachers may have added.

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The "My School Day" app is free on the Apple and Google Play stores – download yours to stay up to date on all school events. See Mrs. Wynans if you have any questions.



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