



# The Grapevine

Alberni District Secondary School

March 31st, 2022

Web site Address: [www.sd70.bc.ca/adss](http://www.sd70.bc.ca/adss)

## Parents of Grade 9 students:

As discussed, and sent home earlier in the year, the regular grade 9 immunizations will be taking place on both Wednesday, Mar 30<sup>th</sup> (Yesterday) and Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. They continued to be postponed until nurses were going to be available to come to ADSS. PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*THESE ARE NOT COVID shots. These are the regular Immunizations for Mumps, Rubella and Measles.

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**PARENTS** - If your student is absent or late, **please call or email** the school to report their absence. To report an absence, call the main office at 250-723-6251 or email [adss@sd70.bc.ca](mailto:adss@sd70.bc.ca). 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.

NOTE: The School Board has engaged a new app for students. **THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO STUDENTS AT ADSS!!!** Unfortunately, the new app being used only has one channel. Our current App (My School Day) allows us to have multiple and specific channels, so we are staying with that app for the time being. Instructions on how to download the MY SCHOOL DAY app are available at the end of this newsletter.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6 – ADSS Jazz Concert 7pm

April 12-14 – Vancouver Island Concert Band Festival at ADSS

April 13 – PAC MEETING 7-8:30

April 14 – End of Term 3/Q3

April 15 – Good Friday – NO SCHOOL

April 18 – Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL

April 19 – Start of Term 4/Q4

April 22 – PRO DAY – NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

April 25-29 – Literacy 10/12 & Numeracy 10 Assessments

April 29 – Report Cards Issued




**Jazz Concert**

ADSS Jazz bands and guests "The Nanaimo Musicians' Association"

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6<sup>Th</sup> 7:00pm

Entrance by donation (all donations go toward the Alberni Valley Chorus and Orchestra society scholarship for young musicians)

Tickets available at the door.



## IMPORTANT Band Reminders:

**April 6<sup>th</sup> Jazz night**-7pm start, all musicians need to arrive by 6:30pm. Admission by donation. No tickets needed. Jazz Band 9-12 and R&B Band

**April 25<sup>th</sup>, Monday Night 7pm- Band Tours information** meeting in the theatre. All travelling band students must attend with a parent/guardian.

**April 27<sup>th</sup> ADSS Jazz students will be travelling to Vancouver Island University** for the day for the West Coast Jazz Festival. This is a full day trip, no cost attached.

Josh Kynoch

## ADSS Travel Club



What: Trip to France & Spain – 12 days

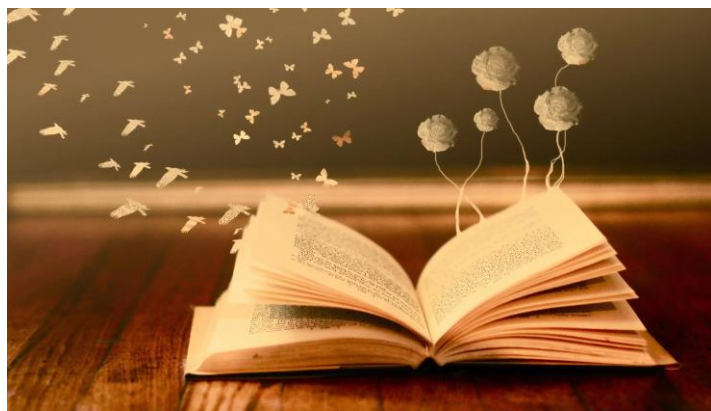
When: Spring Break 2023

Cost: \$4868

Contact: Mr. J. Contant

Introductory meeting for interested students will be **Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:40 in room 201**. If there is enough interest, a follow-up meeting with parents and guardians will be held later in April.





We have over **500** overdue library books and just under **600** lost or unreturned textbooks out. Textbooks or library books can be returned to the library at any time. Students are held accountable for the replacement value of these books, so it is important that we get them back. Please look at home and in lockers for anything that belongs to ADSS. If you happen to find any library books from your elementary school, we would be happy to forward and return those, on your behalf.

Thank you  
Ms. Wagar

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Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council  
Kindergarten to Grade 12  
Scholarship

This year's scholarship application forms are now available and can be found online at:

<https://nuuchahnulth.org/services/useful-resources-applications-forms-policies-agreements>

Applications can be submitted via email to [scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org](mailto:scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org) Please note the deadline for submission is May 10, 2022, at 12:00pm.

If you have any questions or comments, contact Richard Samuel by email to [scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org](mailto:scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org) or by phone at 250-724-5757



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**CLC 12 overdue deadline** – there are numerous grade 12 students that have NOT submitted their CLC 12 coursework and/or their documentation of 30hrs work exploration. This is well overdue and needs to be done ASAP. Contact the Career Centre for more details, emails were sent on Monday to parents/students that have not submitted these items.

The final part of CLC12 is the **Capstone Presentation Interview** – these will be happening April 4<sup>th</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>. Students have been encouraged to book their times online with instructions provided in CLC12 Activity #17. However, that scheduler is now closed, and students have to come into the Career Centre to book their appointment time or contact Mr. Neelam Parmar at [nparmar@sd70.bc.ca](mailto:nparmar@sd70.bc.ca)

**Scholarship/Bursary info** – student application packages are due this Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> by 3pm to the Career Centre. Note that application forms and other info is posted on our ADSS Website – Grad, Scholarship & Bursary – at this link - <https://www.sd70.bc.ca/adss/page/1921/scholarship-bursary> There are several “external” scholarship opportunities also listed here as well as the link to apply for the Paper Excellence - Catalyst Paper Scholarships. \*\*This is a new process for them, do not hand in paper copies, your application must be done online.

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NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE



**FUTURE NIC STUDENTS!** The NIC Foundation Awards application is open! Apply now for more than \$500,000 in scholarships and bursaries. The online application will be closed April 27<sup>th</sup>. Learn more at <https://foundation.nic.bc.ca/students> or email [jana.devito@nic.bc.ca](mailto:jana.devito@nic.bc.ca)

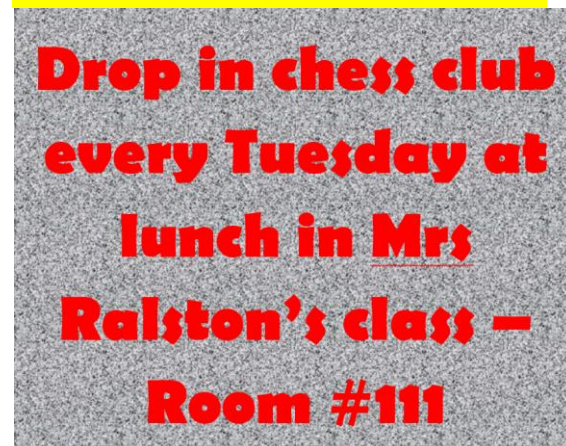
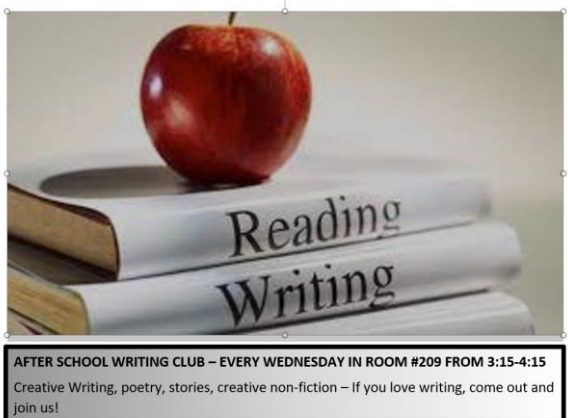
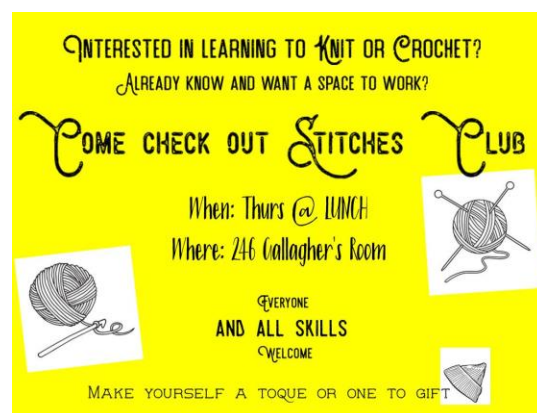
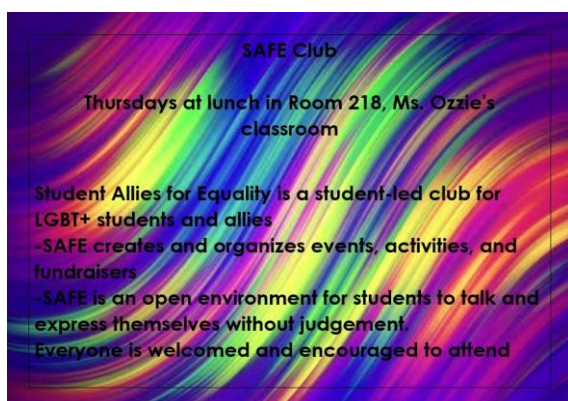
NIC's 2022/2023 academic timetable will be release **Tuesday, April 5**. Book an advising appointment after April 5 to plan your upcoming academic year. Online bookings available at: <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/NICErollmentServicesAdvising@nic.bc.ca/bookings/>

Education and Financial Aid advisor, Jana DeVito, will be at ADSS on **Wednesday, Apr 13** from 11:30 – 12:30. Book your advising/ timetabling appointment through Erika McLeod in the career counselling department.

New student **registration** opens **Tuesday, May 26**. Plan and register early to secure a seat in the courses you want!

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## ADSS CLUBS/GROUPS







**Student Council:** meets Fridays at lunch in room 218 (Ms. Ozzie's class)



## **MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS AVAILABLE FOR ADSS STUDENTS**

Mental Health supports have been in place for students at ADSS for almost 10 years through tiičmis Wellness Centre. We have become an integrated part of the community at ADSS. As often happens when services have been around for several years, they disappear into the fabric of the school. It is time to shine a light on what we do and what we have available for ADSS students.

tiičmis Wellness Centre is tucked away on the Theatre side of the school. It consists of a waiting room, 4 offices, an examination room, and the Breakfast Club storage room.

The Wellness Centre is where the community comes to school and the school interacts with the community. We have working relationships with multiple community organizations who see the value of placing counselling or outreach staff at ADSS to work with students.

SD70 (Pacific Rim) has placed a district counsellor in the Wellness Centre. They are here 5 days a week, during school hours.

Alberni Drug and Alcohol Prevention Services (ADAPS) has a counsellor and an outreach worker available on Mondays – one before lunch and one after lunch.

Family Guidance has a counsellor available Tuesdays, 9:00 – 3:00.

Alberni Community and Women's Services (ACAWS) has an outreach worker here on Wednesdays, 9:00 – 2:00.

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council (NTC) Youth Mental Health has a counsellor here on Thursdays, 9:00 – 2:00

Island Health Youth Clinic is available for youth up to 26. Clinic hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:00 – 5:00

In addition to the Wellness Centre and community organizations who work with our students, the district has placed two Wellness Workers in the school. Marla Kjernisted and Carrie Thorpe are available every school day from 8:00 – 3:30. While they are new to the district as employees, they both have years of experience, and both worked in the Wellness Centre when they worked for community organizations. Their offices are in the Student Commons, and they are available for students to drop in and talk.

There are several ways students can access services in the Wellness Centre:


- They can talk with our Wellness Workers, Marla, and Carrie, who can help them make an appointment and accompany them to meet the service provider for the first time.
- Students can go to a trusted staff member or administrator and ask for help making an appointment



- Or they can drop in the Wellness Centre and talk to Cathy Cross and make an appointment

These are the Mental Health supports available for students at ADSS. All conversations are private and confidential. If you are a parent, tell your child about us and how to access our services. If you are a student, check us out and tell your friends about us.

Spring 2020





## My School Day

### Quick Start for Students and Parents

### 1. Download the app

You can find the app - **it's free to download!** - on the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android) on your phone by

- Searching in the store for "My School Day"
- Going to <https://myschoolday.app/download> in the browser on your phone
- Using the QR or snap codes below

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
- Tap the checkbox for the channels you are interested in
- Tap on the "Done" button.

**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.

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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.