

# Southridge Wednesday

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## Head of School

### Remembering Grade 5

Two weeks ago, our advancement department held our second annual Alumni Homecoming Weekend. As part of the festivities, the graduating class of 2005 held their ten year reunion. I jumped at the chance to attend not only because I love to talk to our graduates, but also because I have a special connection to this class in particular.

Back in 1997, when I first began my journey at Southridge, I taught Grade 5, and it was the graduating class of 2005 who made up the majority of the students in my first class at Southridge. It's funny how fast time passes because it seems like yesterday when I was in that original school building as the sole Grade 5 teacher spending valuable planning time with my teaching buddy, Mrs. Murchie, who was the lone Grade 4 teacher at the time.

When I saw my former students at their ten year reunion I was overjoyed to hear the wonderful stories of their life journeys, and I was fascinated to hear about where they live, their families and where their careers have taken them. It struck me more than once during the evening how so many of them are in careers that didn't even exist when they were in Grade 5. I was also taken aback by the global perspective many of my former students had - working in what I once considered faraway lands. For many of the graduates, once faraway lands are both within easy reach and necessary for business and career success.

Of course, I took the opportunity to ask many of them how they felt about the skills they needed to be successful in their careers, given the changing nature of the world. Astute as they were 18 years ago, they immediately commented on how unimportant content is; referencing the fact that knowledge is so easily accessible on their phones and over the internet. I was very glad to hear them say that skills involving critical thinking and problem solving are really important. They also said that being able to communicate and collaborate while thinking creatively was fundamental to their work. One of our Alumni, now working as a yoga therapist, lamented the ubiquitous nature of technology, saying her clients' bodies are so often in horrible states from poor posture and time spent sitting in front of a computer screen.

Driving home I felt proud. I was proud of my Grade 5 students. They had grown into confident and thoughtful individuals. They were pursuing their passions and they believed deeply that one of the most important things about their time at Southridge was their school's focus on character development. I was also proud of Southridge. The Southridge of today has maintained its strong focus on character development, but it has also grown and matured in its approaches to teaching and learning. The skills that we concentrate on developing from Kindergarten right up to Grade 12 today in the PYP, the MYP and the SSEP are clearly aligned with what our graduates know is important for our students to be well prepared for life beyond the walls of our school.

Have a wonderful week!

Mr. Drew Stephens  
Head of School

Important Dates			
Event	Date	Time	Location
Café Concerto	Tuesday, May 26 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, May 27 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Alan Brown Great Hall
High School Artists Exhibit	until June 12 <sup>th</sup>		Semiahmoo Arts and White Rock Community Centre
New Parent Night	Thursday, May 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Alan Brown Great Hall

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Event	Date	Time	Location
Southridge Golf Tournament	Friday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 p.m.	Hazelmere Golf Course
Athletics Banquet	Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Alan Brown Great Hall
Grade 7 Band Concert	Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Junior Great Hall
Junior School Sports Day	Monday, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Junior Field & Turf Field
PYP Speech Celebration - Grades 1 - 3	Tuesday, June 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Junior Great Hall

## Junior School News

### Involvement Is the Key

I love to see our fields full of kids, representing our school in sport. On Tuesday, our fields were full of Grade 6 and 7 girls, having fun and playing soccer for their school. Creating a sense of belonging in our school is a very important element of our programing. We strive to offer a well-rounded program so students can connect to many aspects of school life, including the arts, athletics and service. We believe the natural connection is the homeroom teacher as there is a great deal of time and investment in that relationship. However, it is important for students to connect in other ways, with a coach, mentor, club coordinator, music teacher, or a service leader.

This is why the co-curricular program is so important at Southridge - it affords opportunities for students to try new things and expand themselves, but it also affords a chance to connect with a teacher that they may not see on a regular basis. As a student, I was very involved in athletics at my school, and I remember one English teacher that I had was very demanding and appeared a bit aloof to me as a Grade 10 girl. However, as my volleyball coach, she was more relaxed, highly competitive, and had a really great sense of humour. I recall enjoying English a little bit more after she became my coach, but also, I noticed a change in my relationship with this teacher. The context for our relationship was not just based on my essays and reading comprehension - it was a mutual love of volleyball and the team feel with my other team members. Candidly, my academic performance improved because I began to care a bit more - I had more insight into my teacher, and on some level, cared about doing my best not for her, but because of her. Whatever the reason, I began to understand the importance of involvement.

This is why I love to see the fields full - of course, I love sport, but it runs deeper than this; it is the connection of teacher/coach to student that brings an unquantifiable element to school life here at Southridge. Please support your children to become involved. Involvement is the key to connection at our school. Thanks and have a great week,

Mrs. Laurel Middelaer  
Deputy Head/Head of Junior School

### Grade 5-7 Parent Laptop Evening - Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

As the year draws to a close, we want to prepare our existing Grade 4 students and parents for the upcoming MYP program. Perhaps the most exciting addition to their educational program is the use of the computer laptops. We view the laptop as an educational tool and work with the students to teach the proper care and usage of the laptop. We are also mindful that the students have access to the internet and email with the laptop and we teach the appropriate use of these tools as well. We do feel that it is very important for our parents to understand our philosophy for these laptops and also our expectation for their use at home. As such, we are hosting a parent laptop information session on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30- 7:30 p.m. Our education at Southridge School is a partnership and Mr. Anderson, our MYP Technology Coordinator, welcomes you as we present the goals of the laptop program and our recommended use for the laptop at home.

### Class Lists

At this time of year some parents may be contemplating the upcoming school year. It seems like an appropriate time to restate our procedure for compiling the class lists. At Southridge, we strive to create the best educational groupings that we can. That means that we try to ensure our classes are balanced in terms of leadership ability, academic ability, athletic well-roundedness, gender, and social responsibility. We try to ensure that each student has at least one close friend in their class, and given the fact that we only have 2 classes, we do our best to create the best social dynamics. There is a great deal of thought and care in this process. After the lists are compiled by the

present home room teachers, the specialist teachers and primary and intermediate division leaders look at the lists and discuss the groupings. At this time, there are no teachers' names on the class groupings. Once the lists are approved, they are signed by all the teachers and submitted to the Head of the Junior School. At that time, the teacher's names are then assigned to those groupings by the Head of the Junior School.

Given the extensive work that has gone into developing the groupings, it has always been our policy not to entertain parental requests for certain teachers. We strive to have parallel programming in all our classes, the teachers work collaboratively in their planning and their assessment, and we truly believe that our students will thrive in any classroom setting. We thank you for your confidence in our faculty as we strive to create the best learning environment for your child.

### **PYP Speech Celebration and Year End Dates**

We are starting to prepare for the PYP Speech Celebration. All students in Grades 1, 2 and 3 will participate. (Grade 4's did their speeches during exhibition.)

The goal for the students is to gain confidence and feel successful speaking in front of an audience. It is not a speech competition at the PYP level but a celebration of all the students' courage! It takes tremendous courage to present in front of a crowd of people. The students will present their speeches first to each other, then to other classes and finally to the parents.

The Speech Celebration will take place on **Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** in the morning. The MYP Competition will happen the same day in the afternoon. The teachers will send home detailed instructions on how the students will be prepared for the great event.

Details for the year end will be coming soon. Meanwhile mark your calendar with these dates for the PYP special days:

- **Monday, June 1** - Sign up to volunteer items to bring to the yearend picnic/beach. Signup sheets will be on the classroom doors.
- **Monday, June 15** - Sports' Day (K-7)
- **Tuesday, June 16** - Speech Celebrations (1-3)
  - 8:15 a.m. for 1RK, 2TW, 3SW
  - 10:30 a.m. for 1TD, 2JM, 3CK
- **Wednesday, June 17** - PYP Picnic (for K-4)
- **Thursday, June 18** - Regular Classes (for K-4) Casual clothes
- **Friday, June 19** - Closing Ceremonies (K-7) 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. Full winter uniform

Enjoy these last weeks of school!

Mrs. Rowena Raber  
PYP Division Leader

### **MYP Junior School Term Tests**

All MYP students write one term test, Math, on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. The study schedule will run from Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> to Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. No new material that is taught after May 21<sup>st</sup> will be on the math term test and no regular homework of any kind will be assigned during this time period. Study guides will be distributed by math teachers before May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Please note that we are giving a very generous amount of study time for a single term test to allow students to create a study schedule that permits continued participation in their regular extracurricular activities. It is our expectation that students will continue meeting these commitments.

Please see below for answers to frequently asked questions

- **What are study guides?** Study guides outline the content and skills students are responsible for on the test. They help students identify what they should be studying and may offer suggestions about how to study it.

- **What will students do at home during the study schedule?** Some study blocks will be self-directed with students choosing how to review content and practice skills. Others may be teacher-directed with teachers assigning specific exercises designed to reinforce concepts that will be on the math term test.
- **What will students do in class during the study schedule?** Students will continue to learn new material as they move through their units of study in accordance with the Southridge curriculum.
- **When and where do students write term tests?** Students write the term test in their homeroom during the *first two periods* of class on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Please do not schedule any appointments for your child during this time.
- **How much time do students have to complete their math term test?** They have 90 minutes to write their test.
- **How will term tests affect student learning?** The primary goal of term tests is to help students learn how to prepare for tests and exams. Effective study and time management skills become increasingly important when students proceed to the Senior School. Term tests also provide students and teachers with valuable feedback about their learning. Combined with unit tests, quizzes, assignments, projects, and observation, term tests form one part (between 10-20%) of the student's overall evaluation for Term Three.

Ms. Susan McNeil  
Grade 7 Teacher/MYP Division Leader

### **Congratulations to the Grade 7 Band!**

Congratulations to the Grade 7 students for doing a great job representing Southridge at the Kiwanis Music Festival last Thursday! The adjudicators awarded the Grade 7 beginning band a silver rating, which was well deserved as the students worked together to play as a true ensemble. We are very proud of the progress they have made since September when they first picked up their new band instruments at Bandathon.

Special thanks goes to our UBC student teachers Ms. Shaw and Mr. Smith for all their help with festival preparations. Their contributions to the band really made a difference!

We invite everyone to come and hear the Grade 7s at our year-end band concert on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Junior School Great Hall. Hope to see you there!

Dr. Bessflug, Mr. Burrage, and Mr. Mitchell  
Band Teachers

### **Southridge School World Partnership Walk Team**

**Join the Southridge School World Partnership Walk Team  
– and help make this year's team the biggest one yet!**

Do you like making a difference? Do you value community building? Do you enjoy spending a weekend morning walking in Stanley Park?

If you answered "Yes!" to the questions above, then the World Partnership Walk is for you. Each spring, the World Partnership Walk is held in cities throughout Canada, with 100% of the money raised going to specific micro-financing projects in the developing world. To learn more, please visit <http://www.worldpartnershipwalk.com>.

This year's community event takes place on **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**. Students and staff members of the Junior and Senior Schools, as well as their families, are welcome to join the fun by walking or running either 5 or 10 KM. To join our school team, please go the World Partnership Walk website and click on the 'Register' button on the right side of the screen. When it takes you to the next screen, please click on 'Vancouver' for the walk city, and on the next screen click the button for 'Join an Existing Team'. It will take you to a page that allows you to specify if you are a 'New User' or 'Returning User', and then directs you to a page where you can type in our school team name. Enter

‘Southridge School’ and click the button for ‘Search for a Team’, and you will then be able to click the link to join the school team!

Growing numbers of our school community have joined us at Stanley Park the past few years, and we all have had a lot of fun as we made a difference in the fight against global poverty! We hope that you will join with us this year to make an even bigger team - and an even bigger difference. Please note that this is not an official Southridge excursion, so families will need to arrange their own transportation and supervision for the event.

Ms. Reid and the Grade 6 students will also be organizing a Junior School World Partnership Walk here at Southridge School. Please stay tuned to upcoming editions of The Wednesday for more information! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us or see Dr. Bessflug. Thank you!

Jaedyn & Mizan  
MYP students

### **Junior School Library Chairs Needed - Scheduler and Liaison**

The Junior School Library Chair position will be moving to a dual role. We are looking for two library chairs to begin learning the roles and begin coordinating library volunteers as of August 2015.

One chair will be a liaison between Ms. Chong and the library volunteers, ensuring that the needs of the library are communicated to the volunteers. This chair will meet weekly with Ms. Chong and will need to have availability to spend time at the school accordingly. Strong personal skills are an asset.

The other chair will be the schedule coordinator. This is a great role for someone that may not have the on-site availability. It involves arranging and communicating the library volunteer schedule, addressing vacancies as they arise. Strong computer and organizational skills are an asset. For more information, or if interested, please email Stephanie Schmidt at [nuffers@ymail.com](mailto:nuffers@ymail.com).

### **Terry Fox Run Chair Needed**

We are looking for a volunteer to assist in the coordination of the annual Terry Fox Run. This volunteer would shadow this coming Fall to learn about the event, and assume the full role for Fall 2016.

This is a fairly low time-commitment role, as the event is one day. The chair would coordinate with the teacher leading the event. For more information, or if interested, please email Stephanie Schmidt at [nuffers@ymail.com](mailto:nuffers@ymail.com).

## **Senior School News**

### **Working to Keep the Focus “Whole”**

As someone who has been an Independent high school educator for a long time, each May I begin to notice a change at the school. One of the chief reasons for this change is the onset of final examinations that occur during early May in the form of Advanced Placement (AP) exams. Not too long after these are the school exams in early June, and finally the Provincial exams that occur later in the month. It seems to cause a shift in the culture of the school that becomes singularly focused on these year-end assessments. While acknowledging the obvious importance of these exams and the learning they provide, there are so many additional events, activities and learning that take place during this time that can be missed.

These three sets of exams (AP, Provincial and Southridge) are important. Students will sit many sets of exams in their academic career and gaining skills into how to be successful in this regard is important. Teachers will spend time explaining the make-up of the exam and how students can prepare effectively. It is no secret that strong results on exams provide opportunities for Post-secondary entrance, especially those exams that take place in a student’s Grade 12 year. These two main facts will cause a strong focus in our community toward these activities and I encourage this to happen.

However, with this shift comes a change in behavior and attitude that isn’t as healthy. Students start arriving late to school and admit to getting less sleep. Other commitments for co-curricular activities that are important and valued

can be lessened by the inability to attend because of studying. And the feeling of tension and stress in conversations and interactions is more prevalent. On some days the 'lighthearted place' that is Southridge isn't as obvious.

There are so many wonderful activities that occur in the last two months of the school year that it is important to ensure our focus remains "whole", as in the whole child. The physical activity of a sport or after school athletic co-curricular will help immensely to give the body an outlet to workout and relieve stress. Additionally, a creative outlet through, media, visual art, and music is necessary to continue to develop collaboration, innovation and communication skills and allow a reprieve from the intensity of exam preparation.

After classes and exams finish, there are events to help celebrate the holistic approach to learning that we embrace. Our two ceremonies - the Senior School Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and the Closing and Commencement Ceremony on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 p.m. are both events that all Grade 8-12 students should attend. Attendance at these events might not be as obvious as perhaps a student attending an exam, but the importance of being a member of the community and celebrating with one's peers is an intentional and meaningful part of our "whole" focus.

We wish the best of all success to each student as they sit their exams but also look for the continued and strong commitment to all the year end events and activities.

Have an excellent week!

Mr. Doug Palm  
Head of Senior School

### **International Service Learning Trips 2016: Journeys to the Centre of the World**

We are thrilled to announce our two service trips for Spring Break 2016, a combination of new and old, though both offerings will include visits to the equator!

Our oldest and most frequent destination, Ecuador offers opportunities for our students to re-connect with a remote Andean community in the Chimborazo region. Here they will engage in school-building as needed by the community, as well as learn about the indigenous culture. This trip experience also includes a visit to old Quito and a final retreat in the Amazon rainforest. Approximate cost is \$4,300.00.

New this year is our relationship with Ibanda, Uganda, where we are already connected with a local elementary and a secondary school for underprivileged students. Our first projects in this community will focus on building a classroom or dorm for the secondary school, while working on literacy, other academic, and sports activities with the elementary students. The trip will begin on the greatest African lake, Lake Victoria, and will include a boat safari and an escorted jungle walk in famous Queen Elizabeth Park, and many chances to learn about Nyankole culture in genuine ways. This new opportunity works directly with Ugandans and is based on a similar trip in UBC's international service learning program. Approximate cost of the trip is \$4,700.00.

Information meetings about trip experiences will take place on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. (Uganda) and 7:00 p.m. (Ecuador). In order to book a spot, a cheque of \$1,000.00 payable to Southridge School is due by Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, contact Mr. Weaver at [dweaver@southridge.bc.ca](mailto:dweaver@southridge.bc.ca) or 604-542-1796.

Mr. Daryl Weaver  
Assistant Head of Senior School

### **High School Artists Exhibit, Semiahmoo Arts and White Rock Community Centre**

Once again Southridge Senior School art students, Grades 10-12, have been invited to participate in the third annual *Art on Display* program at the White Rock Community Centre Gallery. Students from Elgin Park Secondary, Earl Marriott Secondary, Semiahmoo Secondary, White Rock Christian Academy and Southridge School are participating. The students invited to participate this year from our fine school are Tasia Karasick (Grade 12), Jessy Sidhu (Grade 11), Nina Chen (Grade 11), Julia Lukaski-Dolecki (Grade 10) and Stephanie Pak (Grade 10).

The exhibition is open now until Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Please stop by and view the works of our talented students and their peers.

Ms. Susy Baranszky-Job

### **Congratulations to the Senior Band!**

Congratulations to the Senior Band students for their stellar performance at the Kiwanis Music Festival last Friday! The adjudicators awarded the Senior band a gold rating, and complimented the group on their level of musicianship. We are very proud of the intense rehearsal they put in leading up to the festival. They are now busy gearing up for Café Concerto next week!

Mr. Burrage, Mr. Mitchell, and Ms. Parker  
Music Teachers

### **Café Concerto May 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**

Our musical year ends at Southridge with the annual Café Concerto. For two nights, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, in the Alan Brown Great Hall, our Senior School students will showcase the arts. This year our audiences will be taken on a short journey around the world with music from various cultures and countries. To get tickets, please [click here](#).

Students involved in the music department should reserve those two evenings as well as Monday morning, May 25<sup>th</sup> for the dress rehearsal.

Mr. Steve Burrage  
Music Curriculum Leader

### **Request for Student Servers at Café Concerto**

During Café Concerto (Tuesday and Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>), we would like students to help serve the food and drinks. Café Concerto is an evening of Senior School musical and drama performances with a "dinner theatre" atmosphere. It takes place in the Senior School Great Hall where we have beautifully set tables and serve deserts and refreshments. As servers, students would need to arrive at school by 6:45 p.m. It is a great opportunity to see the show for free and help make the event a wonderfully delicious evening. If you are able to help out on one or both evenings, please email Mr. Burrage ([sburrage@southridge.bc.ca](mailto:sburrage@southridge.bc.ca)). Only those students who are NOT performing or otherwise involved can serve. Thanks!

Mr. Steve Burrage  
Music Curriculum Leader

### **Café Concerto Volunteers**

We are still looking for morning volunteers for Café Concerto. The shifts are:

Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

These shifts include preparing fruit plates, setting tables and general duties. If interested, please email Sangita Verma at [csveverma@aol.com](mailto:csveverma@aol.com).

Ms. Sangita Verma

### **University Counselling**

Interested in studying at Cambridge University? Do you want to know:

- What it's like to study there?
- What it costs?
- What grades are required?
- How to apply?

Attend an information session on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at West Point Grey Academy, 4125 W 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver. Book a place by visiting [www.bit.ly/rsvpcambridge](http://www.bit.ly/rsvpcambridge). Parents and students welcome!

Mrs. Yvette Livingston  
Director of University Counselling

### **Modern Languages Listening and Oral Exams**

In the next couple weeks the Modern Languages Department will be conducting listening and oral testing during class time. These assessments are part of their final exam and are worth 40% of their final exam mark. It is therefore important that students attend class. To that end please avoid scheduling external appointments during class for this period of time. If an absence cannot be avoided, would you kindly contact your child's teacher in advance. Thank you very much!

Modern Languages Department

### **Book Return Process for the Senior School Library**

With the Term 3 AR deadline coming up on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> it is time to start considering the book return process for the end of the school year.

#### **Library Books**

- Students will receive an email listing all library books and textbooks on their accounts on May 20<sup>th</sup> and May 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Students need to return all library books by Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.
- The library will be closed to borrowing starting Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for a few days while we conduct our annual inventory.

#### **Textbooks**

- Most textbooks will be returned in the Great Hall on exam days. We will begin collecting textbooks from 7:45 a.m. for morning exams and from 11:45 a.m. for afternoon exams.
- All textbooks should be returned by the final day of exams on Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Please note that charges will be incurred for any library books and textbooks not returned by Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup> at which point replacement orders will be processed.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Ms. Maggie Yee  
Senior School Teacher-Librarian

### **Southridge School Examinations**

The last day of classes for Southridge students will be Thursday June 4<sup>th</sup> and school exams will begin the following day on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. I would ask you to review the schedule, and our examinations policy, (see attachments) very carefully with your sons and daughters.

It is really important that students get enough sleep, exercise, relaxation, and quiet study time in order to be at their best. Southridge exams are designed to be completed within a maximum of two hours, but students may take up to three hours for each exam if they wish. In the event of illness, or any circumstance that prevents the student being on time or able to write the exam, please contact Mr. Palm, Head of the Senior School, or Mrs. Holt, Senior School Academic Director as soon as possible.

Mrs. Jan Holt  
Senior School Academic Program Director

### **Both Schools**

#### **Join Us For Golf!**

**Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** is almost here, so sign up today for the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament at Hazelmere Golf Club!** Not only is this an important fundraiser for our school (proceeds from this year's event will be used to purchase and install a giant screen TV in the Junior School gym), it's also a great day on the links with the Southridge community. You can show your support by golfing, being a sponsor or volunteering – everyone is welcome!

The cost is \$195.00/golfer and includes a registration goodie bag, burger lunch bar, plenty of on-course games and activities followed by a gourmet BBQ dinner, awards presentation, the always popular wine raffle and a night of



dancing to a DJ in the Hazelmere Clubhouse. Dinner and dancing only tickets are \$75.00/person and available on a limited basis. Prizes will be awarded to the “Best Dressed” team, so [click here](#) to register or purchase dinner/dancing tickets.

There are a number of sponsorship opportunities still available and we need your financial help to reach our goal of \$10,000.00 for the giant TV screen. So far, we have \$7,200.00 in commitments, so please show your support for this very worthwhile addition to the Junior School. [Click here](#) for the sponsorship form.

We also need a number of volunteers to make the day a success and the greatest gift you can give is your time. To help with on course set-up/tear-down, registration, course activities or clubhouse set-up, please [click here](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Shelley Slaughter on 604-542-2334 or [sslaughter@southridge.bc.ca](mailto:sslaughter@southridge.bc.ca). Don't miss out on this special 20 year anniversary celebration at Hazelmere Golf Club - we look forward to seeing you on the greens May 29<sup>th</sup>!

2015 Golf Committee

### **Golf Tournament Volunteers Needed!**

The Southridge Golf Tournament is coming up on Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> and we will be looking to fill several important volunteer positions this week. Volunteers are needed to set up, assist with registration, on course activities, banquet and clean up. Positions are available even for those unable to attend during the day. This is a great opportunity to show your support! To volunteer, please [click here](#).

### **Call for Buddy Families**

Do you have lots of Southridge spirit and enthusiasm? We are looking for engaged Southridge families to buddy our incoming families and help them learn about our Southridge community. This is a one year commitment. In particular need are families that have students entering Kindergarten or Grade 8. If interested, please contact Christiane Hodson directly at [chodson@southridge.bc.ca](mailto:chodson@southridge.bc.ca). Note that buddy families are separate from buddy students.

Ms.Christiane Hodson  
Director of Advancement

## Advanced Placement, Provincial & School Examinations - 2015



# EXAMS

(ENGLISH 12 EARLY THIS YEAR: MAY 14)

Advanced Placement exam dates are outlined below:

### “Mock” Schedule 2015

Date	Course	Time
April 14 & 22	French	10:40 - 11:40 a.m. 1:50 - 3 p.m.
April 14	Physics 1 (Grade 12s only)	12:30 - 3:00 p.m.
April 22	Physics 2	12:30 - 3 p.m.
April 23	Literature	8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
April 28	Calculus AB/BC	8:00 - 11:45 a.m.
April 29	Chemistry	11:40 - 3:00 p.m.
April 30	Microeconomics	12:30 - 3:00 p.m.
May 1	European History	12:30 - 3:00 p.m.
May 1	Biology	11:40 - 3:00 p.m.
May 3	Physics 1 (Grade 11s only)	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
May 12	Human Geography	8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

### AP Exam Schedule 2015

Date	Course	Time
May 4	Chemistry	8:00 a.m.
May 4	Psychology	12:00 p.m.
May 5	Calculus AB/BC	8:00 a.m.
May 6	Literature	8:00 a.m.
May 6	Physics 1	12:00 p.m.
May 7	Computer Science	8:00 a.m.
May 7	Physics 2	12:00 p.m.
May 8	European History	12:00 p.m.
May 11	Biology	8:00 a.m.
May 12	French	12:00 p.m.
<b>MAY 14</b>	<b>ENGLISH 12 PROVINCIAL</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
May 14	Macroeconomics	12:00 p.m.
May 15	Human Geography	8:00 a.m.
May 15	Microeconomics	8:00 a.m.

## ENGLISH 12 PROVINCIAL

- Thursday 14 May (8:30 a.m.)
- Friday 19 June (12:00 p.m.)

This year the scheduled date for the English 12 examination in June is on June 19<sup>th</sup> which is the same afternoon as the Southridge Commencement ceremony. In consultation with the English **Curriculum Leader, Ms. Gail Robinson, and the English department we have decided to have ALL our students write on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** Students who achieve a satisfactory grade will NOT need to write on the 19, but those who wish to strive for an improved grade will have the opportunity to write for a second time on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> starting at noon. The commencement ceremony will need to be moved to a later time. (TBD)

### **Southridge School Examinations: Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**

The last day of classes for Southridge students will be **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**. Grade 8 final science tests will take place on Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and for Grades 9 and 10 on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> during classroom time. School examinations, which take place in the Senior School gymnasium, will begin the following day on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> and end on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> Full details of the schedule for each grade level will be published early in the third term.

### **BC Provincial Exams**

There are 5 mandatory Provincial exams that all Southridge students must write to meet graduation requirements in British Columbia: English 10, Foundations of Mathematics 10, Science 10, Social Studies 11 and English 12. The provincial exams, with the exception of the first session for English 12, will run from Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> until Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>:

- English 12: Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> (8:30 a.m.)
- Science 10: Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> (8:30 a.m.)
- **English 12: Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> (12:00 p.m.) (Second Session)**
- Math 10: Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> (8:30 a.m.)
- English 10: Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> (8:30 a.m.)
- Social Studies 11: Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> (12:30 p.m.)