# Southridge Wednesday

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### **Head of School**

#### Welcome Back to the Spring Term

Welcome back everyone. I hope that you were able to find some time over the past couple of weeks to recharge your batteries for the final term of the school year. As you will read about in the Wednesday over the next couple of weeks, Southridge students were scattered over the globe during the March break. Our Senior School trips to Spain (for boys soccer), Guatemala (for service learning work) and Cuba (for a wonderful band experience) saw approximately seventy-five students immersed in fantastic learning opportunities made possible by the dedication and commitment of the nine faculty who travelled with them.

Speaking of wonderful experiences, the excellent opportunities our students had in all four pillars of our school during the last term will continue unabated between now and June. As always, we expect that our students will endeavor to take full advantage of the terrific options made available to them in academics, the arts, service learning and athletics. Interestingly, our teachers sometimes hear that students shy away from co-curricular involvement for fear of time commitments interfering with academic achievement. The truth of the matter is that involvement in school beyond the classroom - even modest involvement - has a positive effect on overall school performance.

To be clear though, Southridge is not just about school performance in the classroom. Southridge's mission statement stresses the development of well-rounded individuals and that doesn't happen in the classroom alone. A well-rounded student realizes the importance of immersion in our school community - developing friendships with new people, getting to know their teachers in new ways and challenging themselves as they discover and pursue their passions. To read about an interesting student perspective, I encourage you take a look at Aquil Virani's article on page 10 of our current Spirit Magazine.

We can certainly learn a lot from the students who spent time over the March break engaged in school trips. They are good role models for all of us to remember how important it is to extend ourselves, to try new things and to welcome new experiences. Spring term is a lot of fun with warmer weather, sunnier skies and longer daylight hours and we are looking forward to seeing our co-curricular program buzzing with energy and activity. The teachers who dedicate themselves in so many different ways at Southridge know the value of opportunities "beyond the classroom walls". Their love of being with the youth of our school community is contagious. So be sure to encourage your kids to get involved.

Have a wonderful week!

Mr. Drew Stephens Head of School

Important Dates				
Event	Date	Time	Location	
Guest Speaker - Madeline Levine	Thursday, April 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Junior School Great Hall	
Full School Assembly	Monday, April 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:40 - 10:30 a.m.	Senior School Gym	
Junior School Sex Education Parent -	Tuesday, April 21st	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Junior School Great Hall	
Saleema Noon (parents of Grades K - 7)				
Casual Day	Friday, April 24 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Both Schools	
April Break - No School	Monday, Apr 27 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Both Schools	
Country Fair	Saturday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	All Day	School Grounds	

#### **Junior School News**

#### **Rugby - Growing Our Program**

As we return after March break it is satisfying to see our fields full of students enjoying sport at Southridge, including track and field, soccer and rugby.

Rugby has long been a part of Southridge as it is a sport that builds camaraderie, character and allows for every kind of athlete to participate. This year we have put forth some extra effort into our program and several of our teachers have invested in extra coaching and training. As always, safety and knowledge of the game are key elements to our program. As such, we are pleased with the addition of Mr. Aaron Johnstone, a seasoned rugby player and coach who has invested in preparing a scope and sequence of rugby skills from Grades 5 - 12.

Mr. Paul Best and Mr. Perry Harder have attended extra training sessions and have had several meetings to map out our coaching plans for this year. In addition, we have Mr. Chris Griffiths with us again this year; an external coach who continues to grow our program. One of the reasons we chose Chris as our coach was his extensive love for the sport and his belief in the connections it brings. He believes that all will love the game; love the camaraderie; and love being part of the rugby family which allows us all to find friends anywhere in the world throughout our whole lives. Play well boys and enjoy the season.

Have a great week.

Mrs. Laurel Middelaer Deputy Head/Head of Junior School

# Full School Assembly - Monday, April 20th, 2015 from 9:40 - 10:30 a.m.

Please join us for our last full school assembly on Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> as we highlight our students in the areas of arts, athletics and academics. This is a great time to build community as our students sit with their senior school buddies and experience the full school assembly together.

# Sex Education Night for Parents

Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the Junior School Great Hall

Who should attend: All parents of students Kindergarten to Grade 7

Not all parents are comfortable talking to their children about sex, but all parents can *learn to be comfortable*. During this open and informational session, parents will come to terms with sexual health, and understand how it fits into the lives of their children at this stage of life. Attendees will discover how to easily overcome embarrassment when talking about sexual health, learn words and concepts that are easy to use, and leave well equipped to clearly answer the questions children ask. The workshop is light hearted, but delivers straight and current facts on how parents and children can work together to promote good sexual decisions for a lifetime.

A 'body scientist' expert will be coming to the school to speak to your children. Be prepared by attending the information session with Saleem Noon prior to the body scientist visit with your children. The parent session takes place on Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. We encourage all parents (no children) to come to this evening presentation, even if you have heard her before. It's a great idea to listen to it again to refresh our memories. Being knowledgeable about the facts she gives the children will help you to answer your child's questions. She comes on Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to speak to the students. Be prepared to answer your child's questions during the week as the students think about the information they heard.

Mrs. Rowena Raber MYP Division Leader

#### Southridge Junior Golf: Returning and "New" Members Welcome! Grades 1 to 7

<u>Registration</u> starts this week for the Southridge Junior Golf Program. The golf program will start the week of April 15th and will run for 6 weeks, ending May 20th. The times will be the same for all Grades 1 to 7, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., your choice of day either Wednesday or Friday, once a week.

The program will be held at Birdies & Buckets Family Golf Centre located at 5228 King George Blvd. in Surrey. The 6 week program will be taught by CGPA golf professionals and includes: Full Swing, Chipping, Putting, Sand Play, Course

Play, Etiquette and Rules of Golf. Extras features are 10 extra practice buckets of balls or rounds of golf, golfer gift and golf medallion.

Jacquie Lougheed Program Coordinator

#### Senior School News

#### Thank You's and Finishing Strong

Welcome back!

I certainly hope that many of you were able to use the time away to recharge and relax. In asking a few students before the break what their plans were, I received a myriad of responses. Lots of different destinations were mentioned - some far away and exotic and others more local. Many of the students didn't have any specific plans but were looking forward to "doing things they couldn't do at school". These included watching some favourite TV shows, movies or being able to see friends more regularly. Being able to visit the refrigerator and get food seemed to come up a number of times as a favourite expectation! I've always maintained that being able to change the school routine, however that change occurs, helps to recharge.

At Southridge, experiential education is a very important part of our educational program. Experiencing learning outside the classroom can be a powerful opportunity for students and teachers to gain deeper understanding by immersing in an environment. It also allows for reflection to help build a framework that explains what they have learned.

Over the break we had three unique experiences that allowed amazing opportunities for learning. The boys' soccer tour visited Spain and had an opportunity to play schools in Spain as well as participate in top level training while being immersed in a country that treats soccer much like Canadians treat hockey! Three faculty members organized and supervised this trip - Mr. Smith, Mr. DiPietro and Mr. Sterelyukhin.

Our music department - Mr. Burrage, Ms. Parker and Mr. Mitchell visited Cuba and took in the culture and music of this fascinating country. During the trip the students were able to interact and perform for two different schools, visit much of the country, listen to and learn from professional musicians and finally, to perform at a famous Jazz Club in Havana.

Our third opportunity was a service trip to Guatemala where students travelled to a sister community and assisted and interacted in so many meaningful ways. A great deal of this was tough, physical work in the form of hauling dirt, building adobe blocks and planting gardens. In addition, they provided care, supervision and programming for the children of the village with the highlight being a planned Kids' Afternoon of activities completely organized by the students. This trip was led by Mrs. Holt, Ms. Beer and Ms. Berkeley.

I wanted to take this opportunity to especially thank these nine members of our faculty for the organization, planning and supervision they provided for our students. This is time taken away from their own families and friends and we appreciate the dedication and commitment they have for the school.

#### Finishing Strong

The term 'finishing strong' is a very common theme in sports, especially track and field or swimming. Term 3 at Southridge can be viewed this way too, and I think it is an important idea to focus on over these last two and half months of the school year. There is still much of the year left in terms of evaluation. Ensuring that preparation and effort remain high always translates into greater success. I know this can be difficult for our Grade 12 students who are beginning their final term of their Southridge careers, but setting the example of finishing strong to the younger students is so important.

I always find this time of year a mixture of excitement and melancholy as I realize I won't see these talented and energetic leaders in our midst after this term. It will be a special term for you all and I wish you a great first week back!

Mr. Doug Palm Head of Senior School

#### **Operation Smile**

Here at Southridge, under the carful education of an institution whose motto is "we are all one," it can be assured that all our children get the equal rights and privileges they are entitled to. However, for many children suffering from cleft palate/cleft lip, the same cannot be said; cleft palate and cleft lip is a gap on the lip that can extend into the patients nasal cavity. These children not only can't talk, eat, drink, or breathe properly, but they are segregated by others. Due to lack of

education, children suffering with cleft palate/cleft lip are often regarded as evil and shunned in third world countries. I decided that I wanted to change that.

In Grade 11 I founded the organization *Operation Smile* as one of the few non-profit medical organizations that help children in foreign countries get good oral health care. *Operation Smile* goes to poorer countries and does free cleft palate and cleft lip surgeries for children. These surgeries help transform the lives of many individuals as they are able to eat and talk properly but most of all they find a new place in society (after being sequestered as abnormal). Through an ice cream fundraiser and a casual day I was able to raise \$580.00 dollars; enough to conduct two free surgeries.

Now ladies and gentlemen a newer opportunity arises, one where we could possibly raise ten times as much as the funds I raised. Dr. Mahsa Soraya (a practicing dentist) is hosting a Gala for everybody on April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Aria Convention Centre; at this Gala people will enjoy a sumptuous dinner with lively entertainment. Some of the entertainment includes a comedy show by the hilarious Amir K who is coming from Los Angeles and a DJ and dance. There will be live and silent auctions, free parking, a jewellery show, and some promotional products. If you are looking to advertise your business at all, you can rent a promotional table at the event. All the funds collected from this event will go to surgeries for cleft palate and cleft lip.

Each ticket costs \$175.00 and is deductible under business expenses. To reserve your tickets for this event you can go online and pay at this website <a href="http://www.angelforcharity.com/">http://www.angelforcharity.com/</a>. The website contains information about ticket packages and VIP tickets. You can also pay using your Visa and call 604-597-6711. If you wish you can even mail a cheque to Dr. M Soraya at Unit #103-7511 120<sup>th</sup> Street, Delta, BC, V4C 0C1. Don't hesitate to contact Dr. Soraya at <a href="mahsa\_soraya@yahoo.com">dr\_mahsa\_soraya@yahoo.com</a> or myself at <a href="mahsa\_soraya@yahoo.com">ssainche@southridge.bc.ca</a> if you have any questions.

Imagine an event where you could both enjoy yourself and transform the life of an individual at the same time. The Gala on April 25<sup>th</sup> gives anyone attending both those privileges. It's such a great opportunity for anyone to get involved in both a local and global community. By transforming the life of others you transform your own life.

Samir Saincher Grade 11 Student

## Authors' Week Monday, April 13th to Friday, April 15th

We have a number of exciting events lined up for our annual Authors' Week this year to showcase some local talent and to inspire our students as both readers and writers.

Here are the highlights of what to expect next week:

- Monday April 13<sup>th</sup>: South Surrey folk singer Lydia Hol will be performing at our Monday morning assembly. Lydia's craft has developed from her studies in both jazz vocals and English literature and she is excited to be sharing a few of her original songs with us to start our week. We will also be running our annual Student-led Book Swap at lunch in the library. Students can bring in their gently-used books starting this week to swap one for one. All remaining books will be donated to the Country Fair.
- Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>: Monique Gray Smith and Sylvia Olsen, two authors from Vancouver Island, will be coming to speak with scheduled English classes. Both of these award-winning authors will share their personal journeys and writing experiences with a specific thematic focus on Aboriginal literature.
- Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>: Maggie deVries, nominated for the Governor General's Literary Award for Non-Fiction and creative writing teacher at UBC, will be running a workshop with a select number of English classes focussing on scene building and dialogue in writing, with specific emphasis coming from her novel *Rabbit Ears*.
- Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>: Cea Sunrise Person, author of bestselling memoir *North of Normal*, will be joining us for two days where she will be presenting a memoir writing workshop. She is very excited to be sharing her expertise in developing a memoir from her experiences.
- **Friday April 17**<sup>th</sup>: Our local Black Bond Books will be in the Senior School Library for a book sale. Students can make their purchases on their student accounts and partial proceeds will be directed back to our school.

We are looking forward to hosting this exciting and interactive week.

Ms. Margaret Yee Senior School Teacher Librarian

#### The Day After Speech Day

If Speech Day is my favourite day in the academic year, the day after Speech Day is easily my second favourite.

This year I had the pleasure of spending first period with a class of Grade 8 students who were still processing their first experience of Speech Day in the Senior School. They were impressed by everything that they saw and heard but they were blown away by the Grade 12's. While some of the Grade 8's were inspired by the beauty and the depth of their slam poems, others enjoyed their after-dinner speeches and still others were in awe of their dramatic interpretations. One student said that she had gone home from school and, immediately, started to look for a monologue that she could perform for next year's competition. Listening to a student plan 365 days in advance for an upcoming assignment is music to any teacher's ears.

As the day after Speech Day continued to unfold, the corridors of the Senior School were alive with conversations that had been inspired by poems, speeches, monologues and gestures of kindness that teachers and students had experienced the previous day. One of my favourite stories was about a Grade 12 student who supported the Grade 8's by sitting in the front row to listen to their persuasive speeches, instead of spending the day with his peers.

I ended the day with my AP Lit class and, once again, their responses to Speech Day warmed my heart. One student observed that it was a day that brought the whole school together in a shared experience of our common humanity. Another student expressed pride in the quality of the work that her graduating class had created as a legacy that would inspire others. Perhaps the reason that I love the day after Speech Day so much is that it reinforces the importance of Speech Day as an event that challenges all of our students to push beyond their limits to say something or do something that will make a difference in someone else's life.

Ms. Gail Robinson English Curriculum Leader

#### **Used Uniform Items**

The Grad Committee is collecting used uniform items (based on the new uniform requirements) for their upcoming sale on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be setting up a table in the Junior School Great Hall from 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. for students/parents to purchase the used items. Please drop-off your donations to the Senior School, attention: Heather Mosher or Grad Committee. Thank you.

Grad Committee

#### Mother's Day and Spring Flower Sale

The grad committee is happy to announce that we will be selling four flower options for the upcoming Mother's Day and Spring Flower Sale. We will have hanging baskets for \$25.00, a beautiful Swirl Deck Planter filled with colourful annuals which will bloom all summer long for \$30.00, a new Parisian Planter with four sun-loving annuals for \$15.00 and a new little Petal Pot with one spring annual for \$10.00. Click here to place order through the school website. The flowers will be available for pick up Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from the Senior School commons (of if it is raining, Senior School Reception) from 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thank you for all of your support!

**Grad Committee** 

#### **News for Both Schools**

# **Advancement Update - Gala Proceeds**

Thank you to all our generous families and friends that contributed to *The Great Gatsby Gala* in November. As we reported earlier, 50% of the funds that we raise at the gala are earmarked for important capital items at the school, like athletics equipment and uniforms, library acquisitions, lab equipment, art supplies, building improvements and upgrades. The other 50% of the funds are used for special projects, items and initiatives that are identified through a comprehensive budget process.

This year, one of these initiatives was the purchase and installation of new flooring in the Junior School! As our teachers and students noticed when they returned after spring break on Tuesday, new carpet was installed in the Great Hall, hallways, library, computer lab and upstairs classrooms. New tile was installed in front of the gym and the back door to the playground. Additional flooring, baseboard work and touch-ups will be taking place over the next few weeks on evenings and weekends. Painting, lighting and other upgrades will take place over the summer. Thank you to our parents for your support of the gala and for making this project possible! And thank you to our hard-working facilities team for getting everything completed and back in order before our families returned! It looks fantastic!

Another very exciting purchase that was made possible through the success of the gala was the purchase of a wireless intercom system. This purchase was made for our Senior and Junior School tech teams for events and productions - including the recent Senior School production of 12 Angry Jurors. The tech team members were able to communicate with each other 'behind the scenes' to ensure a seamless production. The system will be used again by our tech team for the Country Fair. Thank you again!

Thank you again for your generous support of Southridge! Stay tuned for additional updates!

Ms. Christiane Hodson Director of Advancement

#### The Bake Table

The Bake Table is always a hot spot on Fair Day and your donations are greatly appreciated. We ask that each family donate <u>THREE</u> homemade items (we cannot sell store bought items at the bake table). *Please note that cakes or cupcakes for the cake walk are NO LONGER REQUIRED!* 

Here are some examples of a baking contribution (pick three or simply triple your batch!)

- a dozen cookies or biscotti
- a dozen muffins
- a loaf (we always get requests for loaves WITH nuts!)
- a dozen brownies or squares (brownies with nuts and date squares are most popular)
- spiced nuts
- caramel popcorn
- homemade candy, chocolate or brittle
- gluten free baked goods in similar quantities listed above. In high demand every year!

It is very helpful if you label your goodies! People like to know what they are buying.

#### Please Note:

The Fraser Health Authority has provided a list of ingredients that we are <u>not</u> allowed to accept: whipped cream, cheese, or synthetic cream fillings, herbed or flavored oils, pumpkin pie (or other custard fillings), canned vegetables, antipasto and samosas.

To simplify the packaging of your goods at home, we will supply you with cello bags and plastic containers the week before the fair. Look for details of pick up times in *The Wednesday!* Or, if you are creative and want to make your baking even more enticing, feel free to copy some of these ideas we have seen in the past:

- Fill a terracotta planter with cookies
- Fill a large mug with homemade candy
- Use small baskets or other interesting containers to display your muffins
- Arrange your cookies or loaf on a colorful plate
- Check out the dollar store for other inexpensive containers and wrapping options

Please ensure your baking is completely wrapped in cello or plastic wrap to keep it fresh and sanitary. We ask that you drop off your items *the morning of* Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Junior School.

#### Does this sound like too much work?

Consider supporting the Mother's Little Helper program and they will do it all for you! <u>Click here for the order form.</u> Please contact us through the Fair Chairs if you have any questions or are looking for recipe ideas.

Deesha Thind deeshathind@shaw.ca

Anita Hundal anitahundal@hotmail.com

#### **Summer Camps Are Filling Up!**

We now have six camps that are full with a number close to full. If you plan to send your kids to camps this summer register now! We are expecting record attendance this summer and want to make sure you get your preferred choice of camps. Click here to view the camps and to register.

Ms. Debbie MacDougall Summer Camp Director

#### Summer Camp Volunteer Applications are Now Being Accepted - Who Can Be a Volunteer?

Any student completing Grade 8 or above in June 2015 who is energetic, adaptable, enthusiastic, outgoing and willing to take initiative. Preference will be given to volunteers who are available for two or more weeks.

#### **WHEN**

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June 29 - July 3 9:00 - 3:30 (8:15 on June 30)

July 6 - 10 9:00 - 3:30 (8:15 on July 7)

July 13 - 17 9:00 - 3:30 (8:15 on July 14)

July 20 - 24 9:00 - 3:30 (8:15 on July 21)
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- Volunteers will be required to attend one training session during a lunch hour.
- Volunteers must arrive at 8:15 a.m. on the first morning.
- Must be available every day of the week.

#### WHY - Volunteers will:

- be part of creating great summer memories for student campers
- learn and practice leadership skills
- satisfy the 30-hour work or volunteer commitment graduation
- meet the Southridge expectation for service hours
- receive a reference letter upon completion

#### HOW

- Read the Summer Camps brochure or view it online at <a href="www.southridge.bc.ca">www.southridge.bc.ca</a> and find the camps that are of the most interest.
- Fill out a volunteer application that is available at the Senior School reception desk and hand in by **Friday**, **April** 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Debbie MacDougall Director of Community Relations

#### **Country Fair - Chair Needed!**

The Country Fair is in need of a Chair for the Clothing Department. The first year is a "shadow" year where you will be guided through the role and duties, then lead for two (note that this is a co-chair position, you will have a partner). This is a great opportunity to connect with the Southridge community and beyond!

Clothing: This dynamic position is a great way to get involved with the Country Fair! Responsibilities include organizing and managing the collection of clothing during the seven days of collection, organizing the volunteers during this collection week and on Fair Day, to set up, run and tear down the area as directed. They will assist in determining volunteer requirements, preparing submissions for the Southridge Wednesday (as applicable) and will liaison with fellow department heads to determine logistical, equipment, supply, signage and space needs for assigned areas. Attendance at Country Fair meetings will be required as well as on Fair Day to supervise cash and to ensure volunteers follow policy and procedures of the assigned area. Fair Day hours will begin prior to the fair and will likely extend beyond the closure of the fair.

Contact volunteer@southridge.bc.ca for details or to express interest.

Country Fair Volunteer Committee

# Come One Come All to the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Southridge Golf Tournament!

On Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015, join fellow Southridge parents and bring your friends to our annual Golf Tournament at Hazelmere Golf Course!

Golf is \$195.00 per person and includes a burger bar lunch, power cart, and a great day on the course with food sampling, games and activities, followed by a delicious BBQ buffet dinner and a DJ and dancing

This year we also are offering a special Alumni and parent rate of \$250.00 - <u>click here</u> to register. Tickets for dinner and dancing are \$75.00 per person - space is limited so <u>register now!</u> Thank you so much for your support - see you on the links Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>!!!

2015 Golf Committee

#### Madeline Levine - At Southridge Next Thursday Evening - Get Your Tickets Now!

Madeline Levine, Ph.D., will be speaking at Southridge School as part of our ongoing Speaker Series, on Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Levine will give advice on raising independent, productive children while being a more relaxed and connected parent. "There comes a point in parenting," she writes, "where we must decide whether to maintain the status quo or, armed with new information, choose a different course. There is little question that our children are living in a world that is not simply oblivious to their needs, but is actually damaging them."

Ms. Levine is a psychologist with close to 30 years of experience as a clinician, consultant and educator. Her New York Times bestseller, *The Price of Privilege*, explores the reasons why teenagers from affluent families are experiencing epidemic rates of emotional problems.

Her latest book, *Teach Your Children Well*, also a New York Times bestseller, tackles our current narrow definition of success - how it unnecessarily stresses academically talented kids and marginalizes many more whose talents and interests are less amenable to measurement.

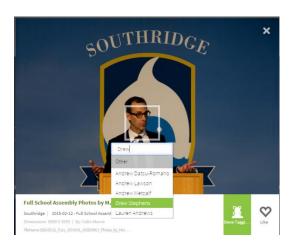
The development of skills needed to be successful in the 21<sup>st</sup> century; creativity, collaboration, innovation - are not easily developed in our competitive, fast-paced, high-pressure world. The event is open to the public and the tickets are \$10.00 each. Click here to purchase tickets.

Ms. Debbie MacDougall Director of Community Relations

#### New Feature! - Tagging of Faculty and Staff in Vidigami

Vidigami is constantly improving the software and has just added tagging of our Faculty and Staff. Parents can also join in the fun and add tags to any Faculty or Staff that they capture in photos. To tag a Faculty or Staff person in a photo, do the following:

- 1. Click on the "Tag Faces" button below the photo.
- 2. Click on the face of the person you want to tag.
- 3. Start typing the person's name and you will see a list appear as below. Click on the name of the person you are tagging.



Once you have tagged the person in the photo, the tag will appear as shown below. If you make a mistake and tag the person with the wrong name, you can click on the "X" by the name tag to delete the tag and start again.



Please let me know if you have any problems logging onto or using Vidigami. You can contact me at <a href="mailto:amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca">amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca</a>. We want every parent to have access to the wealth of photos that are available in this rapidly expanding collection of great memories.

Mr. Alan McInnes Web and AV Services Manager

#### **New Photos on Vidigami**

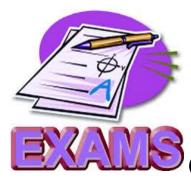
You will want to check into Vidigami on a regular basis as new photos are being added all the time. With several recent spring break trips, you will find new albums appearing from each. Here are just a few:

- CLUBS MUSIC Cuba Jazz Band & Choir Trip 2015 photos by Sheila Say
- TEAMS BOYS SOCCER Barcelona Tour Photos by William Lauzon
- GROUPS JUNIOR SCHOOL MYP Play Wizard of Oz Cast and Crew

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Mr. Alan McInnes Web and AV Services Manager

# **Advanced Placement, Provincial & School Examinations - 2015**



(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</b> 14	<b>ENGLISH 12 PROVINCIAL</b>	8:30 a.m.
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 5th - Thursday, June 11th

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 Mathematics10, 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.)