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Head of School

Is there an Oath for Teachers?

As you would likely expect, various professions recognize their responsibilities to society in general and to their occupations and/or vocations in more specific terms through oaths. An oath is essentially a promise about conduct and behaviour. One of the most well know oaths is the one that physicians take, the Hippocratic Oath. Lawyers in British Columbia take the Barrister's and Solicitors' Oath, dentists take a modified version of the Hippocratic Oath that makes sense for modern dentistry, and engineers recognize their civic and ethical responsibilities through the Ritual of the Calling of an Engineer (not an oath, per sae, but it is an expression of obligation).

What about teachers? Does the teaching professional require its practitioners to confirm their good intentions and ethical duty with an oath or a statement of obligation? Well, even though teachers do not take an oath, the teaching profession is highly regulated and the branch of the Ministry of Education responsible for the supervision of educators ascribes to the *Teacher Conduct and Competence Standards*. The standards were developed with three purposes in mind: to establish expectations of practice and conduct, to communicate to the public those expectations, and to establish a regulatory framework to guide the Ministry of Education. Here they are in abbreviated form. You can read them in their entirety at this link:

http://www.bcteacherregulation.ca/Standards/ISTCSCStandards.aspx.

- Educators value and care for all students and act in their best interests
- Educators are role models who act ethically and honestly
- Educators understand and apply knowledge of student growth and development
- Educators value the involvement and support of parents, guardians, families and communities in schools
- Educators implement effective practices in areas of classroom management, planning, instruction, assessment, evaluation and reporting
- Educators have broad knowledge bases and understand the subject areas they teach
- Educators engage in career-long learning



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Educators contribute to the profession

So, even though teachers do not take an oath like some other professionals do, they are held to standards that safeguard their profession's civic and ethical responsibilities and that keep them accountable to continued development. In the end, the most important thing to recognize is that at Southridge our children are in the care of committed, thoughtful, passionate and nurturing people who embrace their responsibilities, and who understand the significant role they play in helping to create a good and just society for today and for the future.

Have a wonderful week!

Drew Stephens Head of School

Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location	
Author's Week	Monday, April 10 – Thursday, April 13		Senior School	
Junior School Reunification Drill	Thursday, April 13	Afternoon	Junior School	
Good Friday	Friday, April 14	All day	Both Schools	
Easter Monday	Monday, April 17	All day	Both Schools	
Junior School Assembly	Tuesday, April 18	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall	
Grade 6 Immunizations	Tuesday, April 18	9:00 am	Junior School Great Hall	
Summer Uniform Begins	Tuesday, April 18		Both Schools	
Film Night	Wednesday, April 19	7:00 pm	Senior School Black Box Theatre	
Film Night	Thursday, April 20	7:00 pm	Senior School Black Box Theatre	
Junior School Sex Education Parent Session	Thursday, April 20	8:10 – 8:45 am	Junior School Great Hall	
Senior School Relay for Life	Friday, April 21	2:00 pm	Senior School Back Field	
House Captain Theme Day	Friday, April 21	All Day	Both Schools	
Full School Assembly	Tuesday, April 25	9:40 am	Senior Gym	
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, April 26	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall	
Casual Day	Friday, April 28	All Day	Both Schools	
Country Fair	Saturday, May 6	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Both Schools	

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Junior School News

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Talking About Sexual Health With Your Kids – Special Parent Presentation Thursday, April 20th @ 8:00 a.m. - 8:40 a.m. in the Junior School Great Hall

Talking about sex health with young children can feel uncomfortable and awkward, but it doesn't have to. We'd like to invite all Junior School parents to an open and informational session to learn how to talk to kids about sexual health at different ages and stages. Discover how to overcome embarrassment or discomfort when talking about sexual health, learn words and concepts that are easy to use, and leave feeling well-prepared to clearly answer the questions your child(ren) may ask. While the session will be light-hearted, it will also deliver straight and current facts on how parents can support and promote healthy decision making about sexual health.

Saleema Noon, sexual health educator, 'body science' expert and co-author of *Talk Sex Today: What Kids Need to Know and How Adults Can Teach Them*, will speak to Junior School parents and students. Saleema will lead morning sessions, while afternoon sessions will be led by her colleague, Sarah Stark. We encourage all parents (**no children**) to come to the morning presentation to learn about what Saleema will discuss in her various sessions with the children throughout the rest of the day. Even if you have heard one of these talks before, it's a great idea to hear her again to refresh your memory and stay current. Saleema will provide tips on how to answer your child's questions, as well as how much information to give and when to give it. Being knowledgeable about facts and vocabulary will empower you to confidently answer your child's questions and engage with them in meaningful dialogue.

Saleema and Southridge share the belief that parents should play the most significant role in discussing this important topic with their children. Presenting sexual health and body science in school serves as a catalyst for deeper and more intimate conversation at home, providing the opportunity for you to contextualize what is shared at school with your family's values. We hope you will be able to attend this important session as we believe it is important for all parents to hear Saleema's message. She will speak to students in smaller groupings (K and Gr. 1, Gr. 2 and 3, Gr. 4 and 5, and Gr. 6 and 7) over the rest of the day. Be prepared to answer your child's questions in the days following the presentations as students think about and process the information they receive. For more information about Saleema's presentations and her team of sexual health educators please visit her website: http://www.saleemanoon.com/. Please don't hesitate to contact

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me or Mrs. Raber if you have any questions regarding these presentations. We look forward to seeing you at 8:00 a.m. in the Junior School Great Hall on Thursday, April 20th.

Have a wonderful Easter weekend. Classes resume at 8:10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 18th. Students may begin wearing Regulation Summer Dress starting on Tuesday.

Respectfully yours,

Tanya de Hoog Head of Junior School

Reunification Drill Reminders - Thursday, April 13, 2017

Students should not wear their uniforms to school on April 13. Students should come to school in weather appropriate casual dress, including warm layers, rain gear and footwear that will be warm and dry. Students may be outdoors for up to 2 hours so we want them to be warm, dry and comfortable.

No café lunch for Grades 4-7 students. All students K-7 need a bagged lunch on April 13. Students will eat in classrooms and have play time ahead of the drill start. Please ensure lunches are nut free.

The campus will be closed to ALL vehicular traffic from 12:25 p.m.- 2:30 p.m. No vehicles will be permitted to enter or exit the campus for the duration of the drill.

Please ensure that you know the password (House Name and Student Number) for each of your children. (Found on the sticker on the inside cover of their Prep Books).

Please ensure your child knows who will be picking them up during the drill. Alternately, if you are not able to participate, please ensure your child knows this so they aren't panicked wondering why no one has come for them.

Expect to receive a text and/or email from the school indicating when it is appropriate for you to make your way to the campus to pick up your child (approx.. 12:50 p.m.) Do not make your way to the campus until you receive the message.

Plan ahead for off-site parking and only cross 160th Street using designated cross-walks. Please be calm, respectful and patient during the drill. Simulations are an important part of being prepared for a time when we may be in an emergency situation and have to enact these routines. If we know and understand how to enact procedures and processes, we will be better prepared to keep students safe in the event of a real emergency situation.

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If you aren't able to participate in the drill this time, your child will be taken back to their homeroom at 2:30 p.m., and will be dismissed at 3:00 p.m., with regular dismissal/pick up routines being followed.

Regulation Summer Dress Begins Tuesday, April 18th!

Regulation Summer Dress is in effect starting on Tuesday, April 18th. Please be advised that this is slightly earlier than the May 1st date in previous years. Summer Dress will be in effect through to Friday, October 6th (slightly later than the October 1st date in previous years). Students are permitted to wear the following uniform items:

- Green vest, cardigan or pullover sweater
- Southridge crested white golf shirt or white button down dress shirt/blouse
- Black walking shorts or black skort with white ankle socks
- Grey dresspants with grey socks (and optional black belt)
- Primary only tunic with white ankle socks
- MYP only kilt worn with white or black knee socks
- Black polishable leather shoes with a black sole (Please note: students may wear a runner style black leather shoe as long as it is polishable and does not have any obvious logos on the shoe. For example, black leather Keds or Vans are acceptable.)

Please ensure all your child's uniform items are clearly labelled. Students who are unable or unwilling to maintain a tidy summer appearance will be required to wear the Winter Uniform.

FSA Results for Grades 4 and 7 Students

Families of students in Grades 4 and 7 will receive FSA booklets and results by mid-April in the mail. Please speak with your child's teachers if you have any questions or need any clarification about the feedback you receive.

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CAIS Conference

For the past four days I have been in Montreal attending the Canadian Accredited Independent Schools (CAIS) National Leaders Conference. I attended sessions on rethinking the purpose of schools, creative solutions to school scheduling problems, design thinking, the new IQ: how to boost your innovation quotient, and heard from some outstanding keynote speakers. Dan Sheehan was one of those speakers.

Dan Sheehan is the vice-chair of the board at St. Michaels University School, is the father of six kids ranging in age from nine to 28, and is the CEO of Winplus, a company that makes countless automobile accessories from wiper blades to custom lighting. Dan Sheehan is an innovator - which does not necessarily mean he is an inventor, rather, he has taken existing technologies and improved them.

Innovative companies like Uber, Netflix and Apple's iTunes have responded to the challenges of our rapidly changing world and become companies that have met a need in society and have left Checker Cabs, Blockbuster, and CD/DVD stores like HMV obsolete or at the very least extremely concerned that the new kids on the block are going to put them out of business.

In his talk that he once titled "Innovate or Die," and has since softened the title to "Have Courage or Die," Dan talked about innovators like Elon Musk and Steve Jobs who took an existing technology like cars or the telephone and radically changed our world. Elon Musk, he said, is an individual who because he had the courage to try and to fail many, many times, has basically taken most of the contracts that used to go to NASA and will revolutionize space travel. His company SpaceX has developed a reusable rocket that can go into space, launch a satellite, and return to Earth. Musk's philosophy with his employees is that "failure is an option here. If things are not failing, you're not innovating enough." What a great message for our students.

It takes courage to be an innovator because an innovator will undoubtedly fail. Research professor, author and speaker Brene Brown has said that "vulnerability is the birthplace of innovation, creativity and change." We help our kids become creative innovators when we encourage them to be vulnerable, to risk failure and to have courage. Dan Sheehan challenged school leaders with the question: what is at the heart of your school? Imagination is more important than knowledge; inquiry is more important than right

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answers; and a culture of courageous innovation absolutely must overcome a culture that fears risk-taking, uncertainty and failure.

Have a great week,

Brad Smith Head of Senior School

Important Notice - Campus Access on Thursday, April 13th

On Thursday April 13, the Junior School will be running a controlled release and family unification drill to simulate what would happen after a serious incident took place (ie. an earthquake). It is an important plan to have in place, and going through the steps like this will help the school to be prepared if/when the real event takes place.

While this particular simulation is only designed for Junior School families (don't worry, we plan to do a full school release next school year), it will have some small implications for the Senior School. Most notably, all school gates/entrances will be closed from 12:30 - 2:30pm. There will be no vehicle traffic entering or leaving our campus between those hours.

If a Senior School student needs to leave campus between those hours, they will need to walk out and meet their parent(s) off campus somewhere. Given that our entire Junior School will be going through the release process at this time, you can expect that the neighbourhood will be fairly busier than usual with traffic that afternoon. If students or parents are planning to enter the school grounds between 12:30 and 2:30pm, please note that they will have to be dropped off outside the gates and will need to walk onto campus.

If you have any questions or concerns about the drill on Thursday, please reach out. Otherwise, enjoy the long Easter weekend with your family!

Mr. Jones Assistant Head of Senior School

Summer Uniform Can Be Worn Beginning Tuesday, April 18th

The summer uniform may be worn starting Tuesday, April 18th. Please be advised that this is slightly earlier than the May 1st date in previous years. Summer Dress will be in effect through to Friday, October 6th (slightly later than the October 1st date in previous years). Students are permitted to wear the following uniform items:



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- Cardigan, vest, or pullover sweater, fleece or grad sweatshirt (Grade 12s)
- Southridge crested white or navy golf shirt or white button down dress shirt/blouse
- Black walking shorts or black skort with white ankle socks
- Grey dress pants with grey socks (and black belt)
- Kilt worn with white or black knee socks
- Black polishable leather shoes with a black sole (please note: students may
 wear a runner style black leather shoe as long as it is polishable and does not
 have any obvious logos on the shoe. For example, black leather Keds or Vans
 are acceptable.)

Please ensure all your child's uniform items are in good condition, fit properly and are clearly labelled.

Canadian Cancer Society Relay For Life at Southridge again!

Come relay --- for your life, your loved one's life, for those who have no loved ones.

We, the students of the Senior School will be hosting the annual Relay for Life. Last year we raised over \$57,000 from generous support from parents, teachers and the community. This was enough money to send 38 kids to Camp Goodtimes which is a camp that lets kids who don't get to live a carefree life like most of us because of cancer, to just be kids again and have fun while undergoing their rigorous cancer treatments.

So we would like to ask you to join us in the fight against cancer and help us support even more kids this year! You can help by donating to any of the teams or team members at our website:

http://convio.cancer.ca/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFL_BC_odd_?pg=entry&fr_id=22817

WHAT: Relay for Life (Canadian Cancer society fundraiser)

WHERE: Senior school field WHEN: April 21st, 2pm -10pm

We would love to see anyone who is able, to come join in the fun even for a short period of time.



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As well, we would like to invite all those who have fought cancer to be honored as a survivor at our event. Please email me if you would like to join in the Survivor lap.

Also if you have any questions about the event don't hesitate to contact me at jusanghe@southridge.bc.ca

Justin Sanghe and the Relay Committee

Film Nights

The Media Arts students of Southridge are pleased to present Film Nights, a celebration of some of this year's top student work. You can watch a highlight reel here: https://vimeo.com/212275703

Film Nights will take place over two nights:

Wednesday, April 19th and Thursday April 20th at 7:00 pm.

Film Nights will take place in the Black Box Theatre at the Senior School. Admission is \$7 for an adult and \$5 for a student.

To purchase tickets for Film Nights, click here: https://www.netdirectories.com/~srs/oler2.cgi?1139

Grade 8 Parents - Invention Convention

As you probably know, grade 8 students have been working hard the last few weeks in science class building a "thing" that makes life better. They have been identifying problems, sketching prototypes and building inventions. We have been encouraging students to be creative and courageous through their journey. Failure is encouraged; tenacity is crucial.

We invite you drop in during the first ever Southridge Invention Convention on April 18th from 11:00 am to 12:15 pm. You will surely enjoy the truly wonderful "things" your children have created and be recharged with optimism by what our youth can and will do in the future.

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A Midsummer Night's Dream – Senior Play Video is Now Online!

We are pleased to be able to share the video of the February 25th final performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* which is now available in the Video Galleries in the Parents', Students' and Faculty-Staff Portals. You can also watch it here: http://www.southridge.bc.ca/page.cfm?p=2777

Feel free to share this link with family and friends.

Alan McInnes Manager, Web and AV Services

Bell'Italia 2017 A Band Tour to Remember!

For eleven days during our recent spring break, four teachers had the pleasure of accompanying 36 senior concert band students on a performance tour to Italy. To experience Bell'Italia, with its warm people, delicious food, fascinating history, and iconic art was amazing! To do so with such a wonderful group of Canadians while performing beautiful music for appreciative audiences was truly memorable.

The sites, countryside and cities tell just part of the story; fashionable Florence, with its busts and buildings followed fast on the heels of the crooked canals and vaporetti of Venice. Predicable Pisa was just a few hours by bus or train from the colourful, and flavourful, Cinque Terre. Pompeii promised much... and once more delivered, as did Rome, the Eternal City. Interspersed with sight-seeing were five performances.

In every case, our audience was welcoming and appreciative. In a quaint old theatre in the Tuscan hill town Fauglia, our concert culminated with an impromptu rendition of O Sole Mio from our host. At a seniors' home in Florence, we were rewarded with cries of "Bravissimo". In Lucca, we walked to our combined performance at a music school. Leading us was the quintessential Italian gentleman, smoking a cigarette while he rode his bicycle upon the ancient city walls. Later, at another arts school, we discovered that the Italian students knew one of our concert selections, Air for Band; Ms. Parker conducted the massed band. All of us spoke the same language...music! Because of the presence of the EU presidents in Rome, our final concert, which was to be at a church, was moved to a crowded shopping mall... talk about the sacred to profane! However, people of all ages stopped their shopping and stood, sometimes clapping along, as we ran our repertoire top to bottom.

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Of course, one doesn't go to Italy without appreciating the fine food. Pesto pizza, trofie, and calzone, local cheeses, and pasta al dente did not disappoint. Pocket coffee bridged the gap between espresso and cappuccino; even the gas stations in Italy have buffets with real food and espresso machines! At our final, farewell dinner, three rather loud opera singers delightfully interrupted our conversations ... and also sang Happy Birthday to our own Ethan Han.

I would guess, though, that the best memories from tours such as these, come from the interactions that our own students have with one another and with our hosts. Many humorous tales would be 'lost in translation' since you simply 'had to be there', but laughing, playing recorder and singing on the bus will not soon be forgotten. At one point, our driver, Mirco, put the bus in park, stood up, and conducted us for the few seconds before the traffic light turned green! I was personally struck by not only how small the hotel rooms in Europe can be, but also how in the world four students can make such a mess in just one night.

Thinking like an accountant, in terms of losses and profits... we lost two passports (found after a frantic search), three girls (found after a short cell call), one blazer (mailed back to Canada at half the value of the blazer), one tuba case wheel, and a few inhibitions. We gained so much: new friends, thousands of photos, experiences and memories... and just a few pounds from all the delicious pasta, cheese and croissants.

Ms. Parker, Mr. Mitchell, and Mr. Burrage would like to especially thanks Ms. Braaten for helping us as our forth chaperone. Thanks too, students, for a wonderful tour; you represented your school and country with pride!

Mr. Burragio

University Counselling Updates

As you may have read in previous issues of *The Wednesday*, we planned to host a 'UK University Information Night' this evening (Wednesday, April 12) at 7:00 pm in the Senior School Library. **Unfortunately, we did not receive enough interest in this event and have therefore made the decision to CANCEL it**. We apologize for any inconvenience. If you or your child have any questions about studying in the United Kingdom, please connect with Ms. Livingston directly (604-542-5391 or ylivingston@southridge.bc.ca).

Upcoming Events:

 Wednesday, April 12th UK University Information Night at 7:00 pm at the Southridge Senior School Library – CANCELLED



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- Saturday, April 29th U.S. College Expo from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Roundhouse Vancouver. Register and obtain more info at www.uscollegeexpo.com
- Saturday, April 29th "Discover Oxford University" 2:00 to 4:00 pm at Collingwood School, 70 Morven Drive, West Vancouver. Register at http://www.ox.ac.uk/canadatour. Don't miss this opportunity to meet with Dr. Eleanor Parker, Student Recruitment Officer for Canada. Parents and students welcome.
- Sunday, April 30th The Vancouver International Universities Fair 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Vancouver Convention Centre-East. Check out the amazing program at www.nationalcollegefairs.org ---- Do not miss this opportunity to see and speak with reps from universities and colleges from all the world.
- Monday, May 1st "Tea Time With Cambridge" West Point Grey Academy invites students and parents to join Claire Edge the International Student Recruitment Manager for Cambridge in the Dining Hall at WPGA from 4:00 to 5:30pm. No RSVP required – attend and be ready with your questions about Cambridge University.
- Wednesday, May 10th 7:00 to 8:30pm (to be confirmed) Mark your calendar as we are currently organizing a guest speaker to visit Southridge to address admissions to competitive U.S. Universities and Colleges programs. More details will be available shortly! This event will be open to students and parents!

Thank you!

Yvette Livingston
Director of University Counselling

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Both Schools

Demystifying Dyslexia

As we continually strive to empower our students to be successful in all aspects of their learning, the Learning Strategies department is proud to offer a screening of the award-winning documentary:

In this uplifting film, a dyslexic high school student pursues admission to a leading college – a challenge for a boy who didn't learn to read until 4th grade. Throughout the documentary, additional accounts of the dyslexic experience are shared from children, experts, and iconic leaders at the top of their fields. Through watching, you will gain a better understanding of dyslexia, a persistent problem with learning to read, and appreciate that it can be as great a gift as it sometimes is an obstacle. You will also hear some of the many myths about dyslexia and learn the truth behind them.

EVENT DETAILS:

Monday, April 24, 2017 6:30 – 8:30 pm Southridge School - 2656 160th Street, Surrey, BC (Junior School Great Hall)

No pre-registration or entry fee is required. FREE and open to all parents, students, and teachers!

The documentary screening will be followed by a performance from Nikki Eriksen, Grade 11 winner of the Slam Poetry category on Speech Day. The evening will conclude with a question and answer session.

Together, let's work to understand and help dispel the many myths about dyslexia!

Thank you in advance – we hope to see you on April 24th! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 604-542-5370 or oclayton@southridge.bc.ca.

"Let Every Spirit Soar!"

Summer at Southridge Day Camps Update

Over 50% of our summer camps are already sold out! If you haven't already done so, I encourage you to register today to avoid disappointment. **To view program information or to register,** please visit www.southridgesummer.ca



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While most of our camps cater to students 4 - 14 years of age, I would like to remind about our volunteer program for students 14+.

For students who are over 14 years of age, the summer camp program provides exciting volunteer opportunities.

Helping with the camps is a great way to gain practical experience, acquire valuable leadership skills and of course, earn volunteer hours. We celebrate our volunteers with weekly appreciation activities and reflective letters. Many students end up including this valuable experience on their University applications.

This **program is open to <u>all students</u>** (not just Southridge), so we encourage you to pass this information along to your friends or family members.

To learn more about opportunities or to obtain a volunteer form, visit the volunteer section of the <u>summer camp website</u>. The application deadline is April 28, 2017.

Jasmine Boyes Community & Alumni Relations Manager

A Message from Your Country Fair Co-Chairs

The Country Fair never stops amazing us; for eight days, parents sacrifice significant time away from family and personal life to help put this annual event together. All those small steps add up to a great result emphasizing that we are all part of the community in which our children's life lessons are enriched by simple acts of giving back.

We are very proud to volunteer as the Co-Chairs of the 2017 Country Fair and it will be an honour to work alongside all of you, as we continue to build this great school tradition.

Kelly Xie and Maria Flather 2017 Country Fair Co-Chairs

Country Fair Countdown!

Now that Country Fair is just over three weeks away, please check out the website for information about the <u>bake table</u>, how to <u>volunteer</u>, <u>on-site parking</u> and <u>sponsor</u> opportunities.

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This is the one 'all hands-on deck' event for Southridge and with over 900 shifts to fill on Fair day, your volunteer support is much appreciated and needed to make the day a success.

For more details about this annual community fundraising event, please visit the <u>Country</u> <u>Fair website</u>.

Thank you, 2017 Country Fair Committee

Why I Volunteer at the Country Fair

I have been a part of the Southridge community for fifteen years, and I have enjoyed volunteering at the Country Fair for each of those fifteen years. When I was hired to be a teacher at Southridge in the spring of 2002, I attended the fair for the first time. I knew that this would be the school community that I would be a part of beginning that September, and I wanted to see what this community was all about. It amazed me to see the scope of the Country Fair, and most importantly, it amazed me to see the community spirit that was so authentically on display. This confirmed for me that Southridge was more than a school; it was a community—and one that I was excited to join!

Since then, I have always looked forward to being involved on Fair Day, sharing that genuine welcoming spirit that I was so fortunate to experience when I first came to Southridge. Over the years, I have had fun by helping with the indoor games or dancing in the Cake Walk, and I have never missed a year as MC or co-MC of the Student Talent Showcase. I always feel so proud of our students when I introduce them and watch them performing for our guests with such confidence. The joyful music that they share adds to the excitement of Fair Day, and it showcases what a talented group of students we have.

I can't help but smile when I think about the Country Fair because it is an event that really demonstrates what a "lighthearted place of serious purpose" Southridge is. I look forward to volunteering each year as we work together and welcome all to see our caring and collaborative community in action!

Kevin Bespflug MYP Music and English Teacher

Volunteer Opportunity - Country Fair

Onsite Country Fair Signage—Department Head

Sign up for what just might be the best Department Head position around! The Onsite



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Signage Department Head can actually take care of most duties on Friday May 5th (yes, in one day)! This is the perfect position for someone who is unavailable the rest of Fair week. This position is responsible for:

- Organizing signage for the Fair.
- Attending Country Fair meetings as needed.
- Liaising with fellow department heads to determine signage needs.
- Being onsite all day on Friday May 5th—until about 8pm—and then available for teardown after the Fair on Saturday.

Volunteer Opportunity - Welcome Families

Why did you apply for Southridge School? Your answer likely includes the hope that your child would belong to a community of like-minded children and parents who experience a sense of belonging and support from each other over the years. All of us can appreciate how challenging it can be to find your place in a new school.

Welcome Families can help to make that transition much easier, for both the child and the parents of our new families. You don't need to have all the answers—you just need to know how to find them. Please consider volunteering to help welcome a new family to our school, and to help strengthen the community we all value. Please read the attached description.

Mother's Little Helper is Open for Business!

Country Fair is coming, and you may already be excited to start your baking. Remember that each family is required to submit three baking submissions for the Country Fair (drop off will be Friday, May 5th). If you are dreading this, we are here to help!

Mother's Little Helper will take care of your Bake Table contributions in exchange for a donation! Complete the attached order form, and submit with your cheque to the drop box at either school reception desk. Submit your orders early, as spaces are limited.

If you are excited to start your baking, recipes and packaging options will soon be available on the <u>Country Fair website</u>. You can bake ahead and freeze your items, and arrange your pick-up time for packaging materials.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at southridge.baketable@gmail.com.



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Cari and Amanda
Country Fair Bake Table Co-Chairs

Calling All Golfers!!!

Now that Spring is just around the corner (well, sort of!), it's time to dust off your golf clubs and get your foursome ready for this year's **Southridge Golf Tournament on Friday**, **June 9**th, **at Hazelmere Golf Club**.

The golf committee has been busy organizing new on-course activities and games that are sure to test your golfing skills and keep you entertained all day on the links. Once the day is over, join us for refreshments and a gourmet barbeque dinner in the new and improved Hazelmere clubhouse, followed by the awards ceremony and of course, a DJ and dancing!

The cost is \$185/golfer and dinner/dance tickets are \$85/person. The event sold out last year and tickets are limited, so <u>register now</u> to secure your spot at this fabulous community event.

We also need your sponsorship support – last year we raised a record-breaking \$38,000 and our goal is to go beyond that this year. Sponsorships are selling fast and furious, so please <u>click here</u> to see what's available and how you can support the event.

This is the last fundraising event of the school year, so don't miss out on an epic day of golf and Southridge comradery!

The 2017 Golf Committee

Used Uniform Sale

Location: Junior School Great Hall

Dates: Tuesday, 25th April

Wednesday, 26th April Thursday, 27th April

Times: 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

If you have any gently used uniform items to donate, please leave them in the bin in the Senior School foyer.



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Thanks for your support.

The Grad Committee 2017

Southridge Café

The Café staff like feedback! Feel free to let us know some of your favourites and not-so-favourites. As we try out new dishes, let us know what you think. This way, we will know whether to add it to our menu or not. You can provide us with your comments or suggestions at: southridge@canuelcaterers.ca

Please see the attached menus for April.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop is accepting orders for a duffel bag. The bag has a main zippered compartment, a front zippered pocket, and a side zippered shoe compartment. The top grab handles are fabric-wrapped and there is also a side grab handle. The shoulder strap is detachable, adjustable, and padded. Dimensions: 14"h x 21"w x 12"d. Volume: 55.7L. Weight: 1.8lbs/0.8kg. The STORM logo and your initials will be embroidered onto the bag. Price: \$67 each. A sample bag is available at the Uniform Shop and you are welcome to come in and take a look. If interested, please place your order at the shop before April 13th.

Our opening hours are:

Monday – Thursday: 7:45 - 9:00 am and 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Friday: closed

Phala Tan

Business Services Manager



An Exhibition of Southridge Student Films

The Black Box Theatre

STUDENT \$5 | ADULT \$7

Wednesday, April 19 Thursday, April 20

7pm



Mother's Little Helper Order Form

Name:	
Contact Number:	
Email Address:	

- ✓ Our Mother's Little Helper committee will bake, wrap and deliver your contribution of three baked goods to the Bake Table the morning of Friday, May 5th.
- ✓ Please attach a cheque with your donation of a minimum of \$35 payable to Southridge School and drop it in the labelled box at the reception of either School.

The Southridge 'Welcome' Family

Every year, we ask current school families to act as 'Welcome Families' or 'buddies' for our new incoming families. The Welcome Family plays a very important role in welcoming their assigned family to the school, introducing them to other Southridge families, answering their questions, helping them to navigate and select volunteer opportunities, and checking in with them regularly throughout the year to ensure that they are transitioning well.

Specifically, a Welcome Family will:

Contact the new family at several points throughout the year:

- **June:** before the end of the current school year, for introductions and to exchange contact information.
- *Early summer:* offer to meet for dinner or coffee.
- **August:** to answer any questions resulting from school emails re: volunteering, first week of school activities, school supplies, etc.
- First week back at school: introduce the new family to other parents in their class.

Introduce the new family to the wonderful culture of volunteering at our school:

- Help them sign up for volunteer opportunities—volunteer together!
- Invite them to attend the gala and/or volunteer.
- Help them to sign up for Country Fair shifts.
- Invite them to attend and/or volunteer for the Golf Tournament.

A Welcome Family is:

- Friendly and welcoming.
- Knowledgeable about the school, the school calendar, volunteer opportunities, protocol, etc.
- An ambassador for the school.
- Accessible, available and dependable.

Every new family is unique and some families will desire and accept more assistance than others in making the transition to the Southridge community. Welcome Families will need to be sensitive to those differences and attempt to fill the role desired by the new family.

It is important to note that being asked to serve as a Welcome Family does not mean that your child will be selected as a Student Buddy for the new student. Student Buddies are not selected until August once classes are created.

If you have any questions about being a Welcome Family, please don't hesitate to contact Christiane directly at <a href="mailto:chocken:chocke

	Mon-10	Tues-11	Wed-12	NO Juniors Thur-13	Fri-14
Breakfast	Blueberry Muffin	Smoothie Day	Bacon Wrap	Lemon Poppy seed scone	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree	Butter Chicken	Salad Bar	Burrito Bar	Salad Bar	No
Pasta Bowl	Italiano	Ravioli	Mac and Cheese	Tortellini	School
Grill Central	Japa Dog	Pizza	Spicy Chicken brg	Chicken Fajita	Нарру
Weekly Panini	BBQ Chipotle	BBQ Chipotle	BBQ Chipotle	BBQ Chipotle	Easter!
Great Greens	Pasta Salad	Salad Bar	Caesar Salad	Salad Bar	Tossed Salad

We always offer our regular menu in addition to our daily specials



Mon-17	Tues-18	Wed-19	Thur-20	Fri-21
	Smoothie Day	Sausage Egger	Raspberry Muffin	Smoothie Day
	Salad Bar	Chicken Chow Mein	Salad Bar	Fish and Chips
No School	Mac and Cheese	Pasta Alfredo	Tortellini	Primavera
	BBQ Bacon Brg	Spring Rolls	Calzone	Smokie
	Chicken Caesar	Chicken Caesar	Chicken Caesar	Chicken Caesar
	Salad Bar	Tossed Salad	Salad Bar	Chef Salad
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	Mon-24	Tues-25	Wed-26	Thur-27	Fri-28
Breakfast	Berry Scone	Smoothie Day	Bacon Wrap	Blueberry Muffin	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree	Perogies and Sausage	Salad Bar	Greek Chicken	Salad Bar	Personal Pizza
Pasta Bowl	Curry Pasta	Chicken Penne	Mac and Cheese	Tortellini	Marinara
Grill Central	Bacon Ranch Burger	Philly Cheese Steak	BBQ Ribber	Hot Wrap	Fish Burger
Weekly Panini	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto
Great Greens	Chic Pea Salad	Salad Bar	Chef Salad	Salad Bar	Caesar

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