

Weekly Voice

The Country Fair is Here!

The Country Fair is just a breath away and with over 900 volunteer shifts needed to be filled to run a successful event, there is still time to sign-up if you have not already done so. As a matter of fact, we require more people to fill still-vacant volunteer shifts on Saturday afternoon in particular. Please consider helping our community pull together to create another excellent event. We can certainly use your help.

For those of you who may not be aware, the money raised at this year's Fair will support three important purchases for our school. First of all, revenue will help fund the purchase of a new projector and screen in the Junior School Great Hall. The current projection system was installed way back when I was the Head of the Junior School, and, while it has served its time very well, it is in serious need of replacement. Our technology team has made numerous repairs to it over the years, but we are now at the point of needing to replace the entire projection system with updated technology.

As well, with more students wanting to ride their bikes to school year-round, it would be incredibly helpful to provide a covered area for parked bikes during the rainy winter months. To keep the rain and moisture off of their bike seats currently, students are making use of our large orange parking pylons as a stop-gap measure. Others are simply deciding not to ride their bikes at all when the rain falls with consistency. Donations from the Country Fair will help us purchase covers for our bicycle racks thereby encouraging our students to ride to school more often, which is good for their health, good for the environment and good for our parking lot!

The third area of support from our Country Fair revenue will be directed toward our Junior School design lab. As we create new and innovative learning opportunities for our students to integrate their thinking skills, space configuration and furniture design actually plays a significant role in developing an environment conducive to immersive and relevant experiences. Contemporary learning environments designed with the future in mind consider a range of contextual variables, and we are looking forward to purchasing new furniture for our design lab to create learner-centred and interactive spaces.

Additionally, with between 5,000 and 8,000 guests expected to visit Southridge on the day of the Country Fair (Saturday May 5) we would appreciate you being here for safety and security reasons. When we open our doors to our neighbours and the South Surrey community as a whole, we do so knowing that we absorb some exposure in terms of risk.

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To help manage and mitigate that risk, we need a strong Southridge presence on-sight all day long. Being strong in volunteer numbers is instrumental in creating a watchful and safe Country Fair.

So, please come on out to the Country Fair and join in the warm and friendly atmosphere of our school's sense of community by volunteering and contributing your time to our school. Your support goes a very long way in helping us create an excellent and robust school environment. We all appreciate the communal effort it takes to stage an event such as the Fair. Hope to see you there!

Have a wonderful week!

Drew Stephens Head of School



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Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Country Fair Collection	Thursday, May 3	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Senior School
One Act Plays	Thursday, May 3	8:00 – 10:00 pm	Black Box Theatre
Country Fair	Saturday, May 5	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Both Schools
AP Chemistry Exam	Monday, May 7	8:00 – 11:00 am	
AP Physics 1 Exam	Tuesday, May 8	12:00 – 3:00 pm	
Board Meeting	Tuesday, May 8	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Harkness Room
AP English Literature Exam	Wednesday, May 9	8:00 – 11:00 am	
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, May 9	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
AP Physics 2 Exam	Wednesday, May 9	12:00 – 3:00 pm	
Battlefields Trip Parent Info Evening	Wednesday, May 9	6:30 pm	Alderdice Library
Guatemala Service Trip Parent Info Evening	Thursday, May 10	6:30 pm	Alderdice Library
Auditions with Coffee House	Thursday, May 10	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Cambodia Service Trip Parent Info Evening	Thursday, May 10	7:30 pm	Alderdice Library
Grade 7 Making a Difference Fair	Friday, May 11	1:20 pm - 3:00 pm	Junior School Great Hall
Grade 3-7 Track & Field Meet	Saturday, May 12	9:00 am	Maple Ridge Secondary Schoo
Outdoor Ed Galiano Trip	Sunday, May 13 – 15		Senior School
Grade 6/7 ISEA Girls A & B Soccer Championships	Tuesday, May 15	9:00 am	Junior School
Grade 5 Girls ISEA Soccer Playday	Tuesday, May 15	9:00 am	Junior School
Junior School Assembly	Wednesday, May 16	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Grade 4 Exhibition Presentations – Day 1	Wednesday, May 16	1:30 pm	Junior School
Grade 4 Exhibition Presentations – Day 2	Thursday, May 17	5:30 pm	Junior School
Reunification Drill – K-12	Friday, May 18	12:00 pm	Both Schools
Victoria Day Holiday	Monday, May 21		Both Schools

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Junior School News

Save the Date: Reunification Drill (Friday, May 18)

On **Friday, May 18,** <u>both</u> the Junior and Senior Schools will be conducting a Reunification Drill (a simulation of the procedures the School would undertake to reunite students with families/care-givers in the event of an emergency situation that warrants evacuating and/or closing our school). Schools are required to run reunification drills by the Ministry of Education, in order to ensure appropriate plans are in place in the event of emergencies.

Our reunification drill will require that Junior School students be picked up from the School by a <u>parent or designated adult</u> on the afternoon of May 18th. Please note that older siblings in the Senior School who may have permission to walk or drive home as a part of the Grade 8-12 release process during the drill will not be able to sign out a Junior School sibling, as we cannot put the burden of care on another child, such as an older sibling in this context. More specific details and instructions will follow in the weeks to come; however, we'd like to have maximum participation in the drill and request that you save the date.

Tanya de Hoog Head of Junior School

After-School Clubs: Registration now open for May!

Last opportunity to try the After-School Clubs program before the end of the school year!

Fee includes: Indoor and outdoor activities, as well as a healthy snack provided by Canuel Catering.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BELOW for details about available days and instructions on how to register. If you have any trouble, please contact Rita Rai @ <u>rrai@southridge.bc.ca</u> or 604-560-8247.

Kindergarten - Grade 3 and Grades 4 - 7

We have limited days available for both age groups. You may select a single-day, 2-days per week or 3-days per week schedule **only** for the following days:

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- **Tuesday:** Self Defense Working with Gracie Barra of White Rock Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
- Wednesday: Outdoor Environmental Learning
- Friday: Science Fair Using Scientific Method

How to Register

- 1. Please visit the <u>Parent Portal</u> (you will be required to login to view this page).
- 2. Click on the 'Register Now Part-Time' button on the right-hand navigation and select the days you would like your child to attend.

Rita Rai

After-School Clubs Program Coordinator

Victoria Day Long Weekend & Late Arrival (Monday, May 21 and Tuesday, May 22)

On Monday, May 21st, Southridge will be closed for Victoria Day (a Statutory Holiday). Classes will resume on Tuesday, May 22nd with a late-start at 10:25 am. Please do not drop students off any earlier than 10:10 am, as all faculty and staff are in meetings and no supervision is provided.

Tanya de Hoog Head of Junior School

End-of-Year Events: Planning Guide for June 2018

As May is soon upon us, we wish to ensure that all Junior School families are aware well in advance of our year-end special events, celebrations, and ceremonies so that you can ensure that your child is prepared, and so that families can plan accordingly to can join us. Below, you will find a chart showing these important dates in June to help you with end of the year planning.

We have created a link to this chart for your reference on the <u>Parent Portal</u> that can be accessed once this *Wednesday* edition becomes archived.

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Date	Event Details	Time & Location	
Monday, June 18 (Day 6)	 K-Grade 7 Junior School Sports Fun Day (for students only) All students dress in house colours for the day. Students are organized into their houses with a Grade 6 leader who guides their group through each activity. Activities are run by Grade 7 leaders. This is a fun day for students, rain or shine, so please dress your child accordingly. Please remember to apply sunscreen in the morning and send some along for reapplication throughout the day. 	All day Junior and Turf Fields	
Tuesday, June 19 (Day 1)	 PYP Speech Celebration (for Grade 1-3 students, parents, and guests) Short, entertaining speeches presented by Grade 1-3 students. Kindergarten students will watch these presentations in anticipation of next year, when they are Grade 1's and will give their first speech. 	8:15 am start for 1RK, 2TW, 3MY 10:15 am start for 1RR, 2AJ, 3CK Both sets of presentations in the Junior School Great Hall.	
	 MYP Speech Celebration (for Grade 5-7 students, parents, and guests) All Grade 5-7 students present speeches in their English classes the week prior to this event. The top two speeches from each English class are selected to present at the afternoon speech celebration in front of a panel of judges. One speech per grade will be awarded the Mandy Richmond Public Speaking Trophy. 	1:20 - 3:00 pm Junior School Great Hall	
Wednesday, June 20 (Day 2)	 PYP Picnic (for Kindergarten - Grade 4 students, parents, and siblings) All students, K-4, meet at Centennial Beach at 9:00 am for a great day of fun on the beach with hot dot roasts and treats. PYP students do not come to school in the morning before going to the beach. Parents drive students to and from the beach. 	9:00 am onwards Centennial Beach in Tsawwassen	



	 Please bring your beach chair, sunscreen and a hat, and plan for an engaging day of connection and conversation with our faculty and other families. Dress for the weather. 	
	Grade 7 Greek Feast and Festival (for students only)	8:10 am - 3:00 pm JS Gym and Commons
	 Grade 5 and 6 iGirl/iGuy Workshops (for students only) Afternoon Activities (for students only) Specific details for this afternoon will be communicated closer to the date. 	8:10 am in classrooms 12:00 - 3:00 pm
Thursday, June 21 (Day 3)	 MYP Certificate Ceremony (for Grade 5-7 students and parents) Recognitions and certificates presented for Grade 7 S.P.I.R.I.T., academic honour roll, writing, AR reading, and technology team. 	8:10 - 9:10 am Junior School Great Hall
	Grade 7 Students vs. Teachers Soccer Game	11:00 - 11:50 am Turf Field
	 Early Dismissal for Grade 5-7 Students Grade 5 and 6 students dismissed for their class parties. Grade 7 students dismissed for Grad prep. Note: Regular 3:00 pm dismissal for K-Grade 4 students 	12:00 pm
	 Grade 7 Graduation Ceremony & Dinner (for Grade 7 students and parents) Reception, and Grad and Family Photos for yearbook start at 5:00 pm. Dinner is served at 6:00 pm. First Dance with parents at 8:15 pm. 	5:00 - 8:30 pm Junior School Great Hall
	 Grade 7 Graduation Dance (for Grade 7 students only) Please ensure your child is picked up at 10:30 pm, sharp. 	8:30 - 10:30 pm JS Gym
Friday, June 22	Junior School Closing Ceremonies (for Kindergarten - Grade 7 students, parents, and guests)	8:45 - 10:15 am Senior School Gym

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 8:45 am late-start for all K - Grade 7 students. Closing Ceremonies begin at 9:00 am. Students must wear Full Dress Winter uniform. Special rites of passage for Kindergarten, Grade 3 and Grade 4 students. Although Kindergarten students return to their classrooms right after their part of the program, we request that Kindergarten parents remain in their seats for the duration of the program to minimize disruption to the proceedings. All K - Grade 7 students after students return to classes prior to being dismissed following the Closing Ceremony. K - Grade 4 students receive their final Report Cards in their homeroom classrooms. Note: MYP Report Cards are mailed home on Thursday, June 28. If you are not attending the Closing Ceremonies, please ensure that someone is on-site by 10:00 am to pick up your child. 	

Tanya de Hoog Head of Junior School

Primary Year Programme Exhibition

At Southridge, Grade 4 is the final year of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PYP). As such, our young learners are required to participate in the PYP Exhibition, a culminating experience that enables them to take responsibility for their own learning, and to synthesize and apply their knowledge from previous years. The Exhibition is a unit of celebration and is intended to be shared with the whole school community and beyond. Focus is directed at having learners reflect on their growth in the approaches to learning, knowledge, conceptual understanding and attitudes throughout the Exhibition process. Students are encouraged to take action as a result of their learning in an innovative and meaningful way. They are given opportunities to present ideas through a variety of mediums that may include written, oral, visual, musical & dramatic components.

Our Exhibition unit this year is focused on the transdisciplinary theme of **Sharing the planet**. The students began investigating a wide range of real-life problems and issues that interested them. Then they each created proposals and interviewed with the Mrs. de Hoog and Mrs. Murchie to share their passions. Students were then grouped according

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to their interests and assigned to a faculty mentor. This year, Grade 4 students will be exploring issues related to:

- How innovation and discovery impact human lives
- Balancing human and animal wellbeing
- The impact of human decisions on pollution
- The impact of pollution on our oceans
- Protecting and preserving wildlife

To date, the students have been actively researching print sources and websites, and have gone on related field trips to places such as Nightshift, Burns Bog and the Vancouver Aquarium. They have also worked with people from the Red Cross, the RCMP and the Surrey Fire Fighters, for example. Through hands-on experiences, guest speakers and research, these learners are quickly gaining knowledge and awareness.

Over the next 3 weeks they will dive into the arts to express their view points and design projects to offer solutions to complex problems. We all look forward to listening to how their thinking has changed, to seeing what they will create and to how they will choose to stage their Exhibition to share their learning with the greater Southridge community.

You are invited to attend one of two sessions held on Wednesday, May 16th from 1:30 to 3:00 pm and Thursday, May 17th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm, beginning in the Junior School Great Hall. See you there!

Jo-Ann Murchie Primary Years Programme Coordinator

Grade 6/7 Girls A Team Fights to the End

This past Thursday our Grade 6/7 Girls A team travelled to UBC to compete in the WPGA Invitational. After a strong win versus Southpointe academy to kick things off, the girls followed up with an exciting match against Glenlyon Norfolk School. Our Storm stared down adversity, and clawed back from being down 2 goals with under 10 minutes to play, scoring the winning goal at the foot of Asya in the final minutes to take the win, 5-4. Special recognition goes to Bella for her relentless effort all game, and to Jordyn for her countless attacking runs down the wing.

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Grade 6/7 Girls A Soccer Team

The final took place at Jericho beach, where Collingwood and Southridge settled for a 0-0 draw after Full Time. This could only mean one thing: shootout to decide the championship! Our girls pushed Collingwood to the wire, but after all 5 shooters plus 2 rounds of sudden death, we ultimately fell 1-0 to Collingwood.

Congratulations to the girls on our second place finish! It was a hard-fought day, and you should be very proud of your accomplishments! Reminder that our next home is Wednesday, May 2nd. Come and cheer on our Storm!

Congratulations to the Grade Seven Band!

Congratulations to all the grade sevens for their excellent work at our in-house music festival last Tuesday. The students did a wonderful job of representing what it means to be a Southridge student and a committed musician as they performed for guest adjudicator and clinician Christian Reardon MacLellan. Christin, who is the director of the University of British Columbia Concert Winds and also the director of Education & Community Programs for the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, was impressed by the wonderful progress that the grade sevens have made this school year.

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After giving the band general feedback on the four pieces they performed, she then worked with the students in workshop format for the afternoon. Her excellent tips on musical ensemble playing helped the students polish their pieces in preparation for a concert for the younger students and many parents at the end of the day.

We are grateful for Christin's excellence as a clinician, and we are very proud of the grade sevens! They played so well in their concert--so much so that some in the audience commented that it is hard to believe that most of the students just started playing their band instruments in September!

If you would like to hear the grade sevens in concert, please join us for our year-end band concert in the Junior School Great Hall at 6:30 pm on June 6th. We hope to see you there!

Congratulations, grade sevens!

Dr. Bespflug, Mr. Burrage, and Mr. Mitchell

Junior School Staffing News

We are pleased to share the following staffing updates with you for the 2018 – 2019 school year:

Jessica Birch will be joining Southridge in September as a French teacher for our Primary Years Programme. Jessica has spent the past five years working at Crofton House. She began her career as a Junior School teacher Intern before becoming a Junior School Primary French Teacher working with students in Grades 1 to 3. She completed her Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Victoria followed by her Bachelor of Education degree at the University of British Columbia and completed a one-month immersion course for French Teachers on culture and grammar at Universite de Tois-Rivieres, QB.

Jessica is engaged in professional development and recently presented at the British Columbia Association of Teachers of Modern Languages Conference on Technology use in the language classroom. She has a keen interest in the International Baccalaureate program and is eager to continue to grow in her profession and share her expertise of the French language with her new students.

Alison Ito will be returning to Southridge in September as the MYP Coordinator/MYP Teacher. Alison started with Southridge in May 2017 in the role of a temporary Intermediate Teacher. Prior to this Alison taught abroad for 12 years before returning to BC and has 17 years of experience exclusively working with students in the middle years. She holds a bachelor of Arts, a Bachelor of Education along with a Masters of Education and has completed her MYP Level 3 training. Alison is a passionate and

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committed educator who enjoys the inquisitive nature and energy of MYP Students. She is looking forward to sharing her passion for teaching and learning with the MYP Division.

Danielle Fera has accepted the full-time position of PYP PE Teacher. Prior to returning to Southridge in September 2017 to cover a temporary PE teaching position, Danielle worked at Urban Academy as a Kindergarten teacher. Prior to this Danielle was in the role of a MYP Teacher Intern at Southridge and spent two years in the role of a PYP Teacher Intern. Danielle completed her Bachelor of Education at Nipissing University along with her undergraduate degree in physical and health education and geography. In addition, Danielle has completed the International Baccalaureate Category 1 course. Danielle is looking forward to continuing to support Southridge students as they reach their intellectual, social and physical potential.

Sharon Newman is the successful candidate for the position of Educational Assistant working in the Junior School. She originally joined Southridge in September 2017 on a temporary basis as an Educational Assistant. Sharon brings to this role over 20 years experience providing educational and functional support to students from K to Grade 7. Sharon is inspired by making a difference in the lives of children and focuses on making a place for every student. Sharon is looking forward to continuing to support and guide the students of Southridge.

Deanna Morassut will be joining Southridge in September on a temporary basis as a Grade Two teacher. Deanna has been teaching abroad for the past five years and is currently a Grade One PYP Teacher in Brazil. Prior to this, Deanna taught in Seoul at a Canadian off shore school. Deanna completed her Bachelor of Education at the University of Western Ontario and has successfully participated in a number of PYP professional development sessions. Deanna is looking forward to creating an engaging learning experiences for her new students.

Ms. Wendy Turriff and Mr. Graeme Swan will continue to share the role of Counsellor for the Junior School for the 2018 – 2019 school year. Wendy will continue to be in the Junior School 0.6 FTE, and Graeme will continue as 0.4 FTE on a temporary basis for the 2018-19 school year.

Please join me in congratulating Alison, Danielle, Sharon and in welcoming Jessica and Deanna to Southridge.

Darcie Sagert Human Resources Manager

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Senior School News

Relay for Life – Raises Record Funds

This past Friday we had over two hundred participants out to the 3rd annual Southridge Relay for Life. Spearheaded by Grade 11 student and Southridge's 2018/2019 Head Boy Jaden Sanghe and his committee, the event was flawless.

As a member of both the marketing and communications teams on the committee it was fantastic to see the outstanding culmination of our hard work throughout the year. The committee had started meeting back in November and had worked tirelessly up until the event day. This year we had the opportunity to really develop the relay into our own personal event as it was Jaden's first year as the committee leader. As a committee we really attempted to create connections this year with local businesses as well as our school community. We unified all of the participants this year and put everyone on the main grass field unlike past years where people were spread across the property. This research was truly impactful to Southridge alumni Serena Bonneville who came and talked to all of the participants about her story battling cancer as a Grade 12 Southridge Student.

Jaden was extremely successful at running the event as anticipated and really pushed our relay #beaherodonthavezero. This lead to the fewest zeros in Southridge history as well as a record breaking \$104,000 raised for pediatric cancer research.

Avery Martin Grade 11

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Our reunification drill will require that Junior School students be picked up from the school <u>by a parent or designated adult</u> on the afternoon of May 18th. Senior School students who have prior consent will be permitted to walk or drive off campus as per their permission. Please note that in a real emergency, the School may decide that it is safer that all students remain on campus until their parents/guardians are able to pick them up.

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Please also be aware that older siblings in the Senior School who may have permission to walk or drive home as part of the Grade 8-12 release process during the drill will <u>not</u> be able to sign out a Junior School sibling, as we cannot place the burden of care on another child, such as an older sibling in this context.

More specific details and instructions will follow in the weeks to come; however, we'd like to have maximum participation in the drill and request that you save the date.

End-of-Year School Events

Over the last few weeks, we have had a number of enquiries from families regarding the key events that occur at the end of the year – mainly exams, awards, and graduation. While all of these events are on the Schoology calendar, with the myriad of items that are found there, it can be challenging to find these specific dates.

Below, you will find a chart showing these important dates in June to help you with end of the year planning. Please keep in mind that this does not include all of the details for the end of the year events; we will be sharing more information with you in early June.

We have created a link to this chart for your reference on the <u>Parent Portal</u> that can be accessed once this *Wednesday* edition becomes archived. If you have any further questions about the end of the school year, please feel free to contact Senior School reception.

Date	Event	Time
Friday, June 8 – Thursday, June 14	Senior School Exam Week	See Exam Schedule coming soon.
Thursday, June 14	Grade 8 and 9 Party	6:30 - 9:00 pm
Friday, June 15	NO CLASSES (marking day)	
Monday, June 18	NO CLASSES (marking day)	
Tuesday, June 19	Exam Return Day (half-day)	8:00 - 11:40 am
Tuesday, June 19	Athletics Banquet	11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Wednesday, June 20	Senior School Awards Ceremony	10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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 Year-end awards presented to students in Grades 8 - 11 Mandatory attendance for students in Grades 8 - 12 		
No School (Grades 8 - 11)		
Senior School Closing Rehearsal (all grads) Incoming Heads and Spirit Captains Rehearsal	12:00 - 1:30 pm 2:00 - 3:00 pm	
Grade 11 Provincial Numeracy Exam	8:30 am - 12:00 pm	
 Senior School Closing and Commencement Ceremonies Mandatory attendance for students in Grades 8 – 12 Families are encouraged to attend in support Located in Senior School Gymnasium Graduation Reception follows ceremony in Junior School Great Hall 	7:00 - 10:00 pm	
 Graduation Dinner and Dance Grads and families, with tickets purchased in advance Vancouver Convention Centre 	nilies, with tickets purchased in advance	
English 12 Provincial Exam Re-write	8:30 am - 12:00 pm	
Final reports mailed to families		
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Brad Smith Head of Senior School

One Acts, Two Nights.

May 2nd and 3rd at 6:30 pm, Black Box Theatre

All proceeds go towards Relay for Life. Limited seating and mature themes – parental discretion is advised.

Please email me (<u>smacgregor@southridge.bc.ca</u>) for more information, or to reserve a seat. And thanks in advance for your support!

Sara MacGregor Senior School Drama Teacher

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Writing a Musical, By Molly Maguire

I had never, ever planned on writing a musical, but the perfect opportunity presented itself. I was planning on turning the backstories of my characters from my One Act last year, "An Immortal, a Witch, a Vampire, and a Dead Body Walk into a Bar," into a series of books, but late in the night last June, I had a revelation to turn it into a musical; songs would be the perfect way to bridge the time gaps (as the story spans many centuries) without making it awkward. I quickly emailed Dilly Cooner to see if she would collaborate with me, as I am not the most musically inclined person. She said yes, and the full two act epic musical that would later become *The Sun, the Moon, and the Stars* was born.

We wrote most of the show during the summer, which meant after the initial brainstorming meeting, we didn't really meet face-to-face as we were travelling in different places. As a result, I ended up writing rambling, run-on sentences trying to describe what kind of song I felt would happen in a moment. I would send these ramblings to Dilly, and somehow she would then miraculously send me back a song that captured exactly what I had envisioned.

After countless sleepless nights and hard work, we still had nowhere to perform it. In addition, the show was much too long to be performed anytime soon; we still have a great deal of editing left to do. So, we decided to take a section of it and develop it into a One Act play. With some editing, creative transitions, and rephrasing, it worked! And we will be performing this excerpt of our show entitled "How Much Time Between a Flicker and a Flame" at this year's One Act festival on May 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Black Box Theatre. We are very excited to breath life into this piece that has meant so much to us!

Molly Maguire, Grade 12 (and Dilly Cooner, Grade 11)

2019 International Trip Meetings for Parents

If your child is interested in any of the following international trip opportunities for the 2019 school year, please see the attached document (below) for more information and details on upcoming parent information nights:

- Guatemala (service, culture, history, and more!) Spring Break 2019
- Cambodia (service, culture, history, and more!) Spring Break 2019
- Yukon (service, culture, history, and more!) July 2019
- European Battlefield Tour July 2019

If you have any questions about the trip meetings, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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Darren Jones Assistant Head of Senior School

London/Paris/Battlefields Tour Meeting (Wednesday, May 9)

Next summer, the London/Paris/Battlefields tour will be leaving on Monday, June 26th, 2019. It will consist of going to three different European countries, starting with England, then going via the Eurostar Train through the Chunnel to France, and then some time in Belgium. Highlights include: Buckingham Palace, The London Eye, The Tower of London, The Louvre, Eiffel Tower, a Seine River Cruise, Dieppe, the D-Day Beaches, Beaumont Hamel, Ypres, Passchendaele and of course, Vimy Ridge!

The tour cost is roughly \$4,300, and it covers almost everything except for lunches and spending money. If you are interested in coming on this tour, please come to the information night on Wednesday, May 9th at 6:30 pm in the Senior School Library for a lot more information and details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at: <u>iknihniski@southridge.bc.ca</u>.

James Knihniski Social Studies Curriculum Leader Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator

AUWHditions for Cafe Concerto (Thursday, May 10)

Our annual Senior School Music Department concerts – Cafe Concerto on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 29th and 30th – are fast approaching! Each year at the concerts, students audition to be a part of the show as small groups or solo performances. These musical numbers always add a nice breadth to our concerts, and reveal some of the amazing talents that our students have.

Auditions for these spots will take place in the form of a coffee house (affectionately known as AUWHditions) on Thursday, May 10th in the Alan Brown Great Hall at 7:00 pm. The show is open to any audience members who want to attend and support their friends. This will be a performance, so those auditioning should have their pieces fully prepared. There will be also be food available!

If you would like to be added to the Audition List, please fill in the sign-up sheet in **Room 102** with the names of the performer(s), piece to be performed, composer, and technical requirements. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us!

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Thanks!

Harry Xie (Grade 12) and Nicole Elliott (Grade 11)

May Outdoor Education

Spring series of SUP (stand up paddleboarding)

Sign up for just one or all four. No experience necessary. Enjoy a great way to unwind at the end of a school day and be physical in the outdoors.

- May 7th, 16th, 22nd and 31st.
- Depart promptly after school, and return about 5:30 pm.
- Cost: \$30 per session (includes board rental and instruction)

See Ms. Perry-Gore (this week) for information and consent forms

Galiano Cycle-Kayak trip

This level 1 trip is a great opportunity to gain experience in the outdoors at an introductory level, and builds both cycling and kayaking skills in preparation for future level 2 trips students may choose to try in the future, such as the KVR bike trip or the Wallace Island kayak trip.

- Sunday May 13th Tuesday May 15th
- Cost: \$120

See Ms. Szymczak (this week) for information and consent forms

Kettle Valley Railway (KVR) bike trip

This level 2 trip is a longer, 4 day/ 3 night, expedition that can qualify for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award gold level adventurous journey. Students gain more independence while being involved in the planning and taking care of their own meals.

• Thursday May 24th – Sunday, May 27th

See Mme Beer or Mr. Shaw (next week) for information and consent forms.

Reach for the Top Team Competes at Provincials

Congratulations to the **Senior Reach for the Top** team which represented Southridge in the Provincial Reach for the Top tournament on Friday night at Southpointe in Twassassen.

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Declan Byrne, Jeff Li, Jason Xu, Molly Maguire, Richard Xiang and Frank Lin had a good night making it into the top 16 elimination round but lost in a tough battle with St. Georges.

We look forward to reaching for the top next year!!

Madame Mullen

Senior School Staffing News

We are pleased to provide you with the following staffing updates for the 2018 – 2019 school year.

Kierstan McCaw will be moving into the role of Vice Principal, Senior School – Learning commencing September 2018. Kierstan is a long standing member of the Southridge Community and has over 25 years or experience as a teacher coupled with 16 years as a curriculum leader. She holds a Masters Degree in educational administration with a focus on curriculum implementation. She has a passion for Harkness which has been noted in how the Harkness philosophy is used in science. She is currently participating in a CAIS national research grant program where she is designing effective assessment strategies for the new BC curricular competencies. Kierstan is looking forward to researching and implementing innovative, forward-thinking, and creative approaches to teaching and learning while enhancing the student learning experience in her new role.

Heather Morris will be joining Southridge in the role of Math Curriculum Leader/Math Teacher. Heather comes to us from St. George's School where she has been in the role of a senior mathematics teacher and the Head of Service Learning. Her career as a math teacher spans nearly twenty years with the independent school system, both within BC and abroad. Heather is passionate about math and is experienced in the delivery of the BC math curricula from Math 8 to Pre-Calculus 12 as well as AP Statistics and Calculus AP programs. Heather holds a Bachelor of Science with a major in Mathematics. Throughout her career she has supplemented her role in the classroom by sponsoring student government and leadership, building character development programs and coordinating service learning projects which led her to complete her Maters of Education in Educational Contexts. Heather is excited to be joining Southridge school.

Ben Hinson will be returning to Southridge in September 2018 as a PE/Career Education Teacher and Teacher on Call. With a Bachelors Degree in Sport and Exercise Science coupled with a post graduate certificate in Physical Education, Ben has successfully taught PE for the past 11 years to students aged 11 - 18 and has recently expanded his teaching to include career education. Ben has a diverse sporting background that includes rugby, soccer, basketball and is a qualified performance coach in tennis. Ben

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has a passion for PE and sport and is looking forward to fostering an appreciation for life long physical fitness with the senior school students.

Travis Smid will be moving from his current role of a temporary full-time Teacher on Call to the full-time position of Learning Strategies Teacher commencing September. Travis worked as a teacher on call, AP exam invigilator and a short-term teacher for Southridge from March 2014 to April 2016 prior to leaving BC to work as a PE teacher at an International School in Cairo, Egypt. Travis graduated from UBC with a Bachelor of Education in 2013 with a major in Social Studies and is looking forward to continuing to work with the students and staff of Southridge.

Harjit Khera will be returning to Southridge on a temporary part-time basis come September as a Visual Arts teacher. Harjit previously fulfilled this position on two occasions and has been teaching as a TOC at our school which will allow for a seamless transition. Harjit holds a Bachelor of Education from UBC combined with a Bachelor of Arts degree from Goldsmith College, University of London as well as a BTEC National Diploma, Art and Design from the Birmingham Institute of Art and Design including a BTEC Diploma, Art and Design from Sandwell College located in the United Kingdom. Harjit's artistic expertise includes studio work, printmaking, textiles, photography, graphics and history of art and critical theory. Harjit's teaching techniques and instructional methods have allowed him to foster a fun and engaging learning environment, effectively promoting creativity and encouraging artistic independence.

Please join me in congratulating Kierstan, Ben, Travis, Harjit and in welcoming Heather to Southridge.

Darcie Sagert Human Resources Manager

Both Schools

Save the Date: Reunification Drill (Friday, May 18)

During the afternoon of **Friday, May 18**, <u>both</u> the Junior and Senior Schools will be conducting a **Reunification Drill** (a simulation of procedures the School would undertake to reunite students with families/caregivers in the event of an emergency situation that warrants evacuating and/or closing our school). The Ministry of Education requires all schools to run reunification drills in order to ensure appropriate plans are in place in the event of a catastrophic emergency.

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Our reunification drill will require that Junior School students be picked up from the school <u>by a parent or designated adult</u> on the afternoon of May 18th. Senior School students who have prior consent will be permitted to walk or drive off campus as per their permission. Please note that in a real emergency, the School may decide that it is safer that all students remain on campus until their parents/guardians are able to pick them up.

Please also be aware that older siblings in the Senior School who may have permission to walk or drive home as part of the Grade 8-12 release process during the drill will <u>not</u> be able to sign out a Junior School sibling, as we cannot place the burden of care on another child, such as an older sibling in this context.

More specific details and instructions will follow in the weeks to come; however, we'd like to have maximum participation in the drill and request that you save the date.

Country Fair Baking

Baking Contributions—DUE FRIDAY

Hello Southridge Families!

This is a friendly reminder that your Country Fair bake sale contributions are due Friday, May 4th at morning drop-off. Each family is asked to prepare three homemade items for sale. Due to the regulations associated with our permit, items must be homemade (not purchased). If you are still looking for ideas, lemon loaves/squares, scones and healthier options were in high demand last year.

Baking Drop Off: Baking contributions must be submitted at morning drop off on Friday, May 4th. Curbside drop off will be available from 7:45 am—8:30 am, or you can deliver your baking directly to the Junior School Great Hall.

Thank you so much for your support!

Happy Baking!

Yvette Plante Parent Volunteer

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Student Talent at the Country Fair

If you are in Grades 3 - 12 and would like to perform a solo, duet, or trio at the Country Fair Student Talent Showcase this year on Saturday, May 5th, please contact Dr. Bespflug (<u>kbespflug@southridge.bc.ca</u>). Performances run from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon.

Alternatively, if you are part of a small musical, dance, or dramatic group, your chance will be in the afternoon; please contact Mr. Burrage (<u>sburrage@southridge.bc.ca</u>, 604-542-2320). This is not for soloists or duets, who perform in the morning (see above) String Quartets, rock bands, trios, combos, etc... are all welcome. Our Jazz Studies 9 and 10 combos will perform, too. Performances run from 1:00 – 3:00 pm or 4:00 pm.

Steve Burrage and Dr. Kevin Bespflug Music Teachers

Seeking Designer Donations: The Country Fair Clothing Boutique needs your support!

Dear fashion-forward friends,

As you sort your closets in anticipation of spring weather, please consider parting with new or next-to-new quality fashion and designer clothing and accessories for the Clothing Boutique.

Help us create a fabulous shopping experience and raise funds by donating your preloved pieces to the boutique instead of a consignment store.

We look forward to receiving your donations from April 30th through May 4th.

Thank you!

Limited Golf Spots Available – Sign Up Today!

Join us on **Friday, June 8, 2018** at Hazelmere Golf Club for *the* event of the year – the Annual Southridge Community Golf Tournament!

This "best ball" or "scramble-style" tournament is fun for everyone – so grab some friends and <u>sign up today</u>. We've already sold quite a few foursomes and this tournament sold out early last year, so don't wait too long to sign up. There are prizes, lots of on-course games, food and fun!

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Of course, if you're not a golfer, there are other ways to get involved. You can attend the dinner and dance portion of the event (<u>tickets are \$85</u> and are limited), you can <u>volunteer</u> (anyone who volunteers on a hole all day gets a complimentary dinner and dance ticket!) or you can <u>sponsor</u> the event!

The tournament is the last fundraising event of the year and raised \$37,000 in 2017! This allowed us to purchase and install new score clocks in the Senior School gym as well as purchase weight room equipment and athletics uniforms for our student athletes. This year, we are raising money to **refurbish our Junior School library** and make **additional athletic uniform** purchases.

We hope you will help us make this tournament one of the best ones ever! For more information, visit the <u>Golf Tournament website</u>.

Thank you!

Your 2018 Golf Committee

Jerry Basran, Chris Martin, Shawn McMullin, Scott Moe, Sukhi Sanghe, Dustin Schroer & Kelly Xie

Southridge Cafè

As of May 1, 2018, Canuel Caterers will no longer be taking I.O.U.'s. Please make sure you have money in your account or cash on hand before you open or grab anything from the café. If you have an outstanding I.O.U. from the café, please settle up as soon as possible, and no later than the end of May.

Some additional notes:

- We welcome feedback of any kind. Please do not hesitate to email us with any concerns or requests. <u>southridge@canuelcaterers.ca</u>
- The kitchen is always happy to help accommodate anyone with diet concerns or allergies.
- Breakfast is ready each morning at 7:30 am. Every morning, we also bake fresh muffins, cookies, scones and cinnamon buns.

Please review the attached menus for May.

Canuel Caterers

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Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop is doing a sale on the Senior Men's and Ladies' track pants at \$15. Visit the shop today to try them on.

Our opening hours are:

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

Phala Tan Business Services Manager

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SOUTHRIDGE SENIOR SCHOOL PRESENTS

Nights

Example 2 & 3, 2018 6:30 pm

Students read (or write in some cases), select, propose, direct, cast and mount One Act plays for an audience and for formal adjudication.

Wednesday: How Much Time Between a Flicker and a Flame? by Molly Maguire, Check Please by Jonathan Rand, Courting 101 by Yuri Baranovsky Thursday: Bad Auditions for Bad Actors by lan McWethy, Mary Just Broke up with This Guy by Garth Wingfield, 13 Ways to Screw Up Your College Interview by lan McWethy, No More Mr. Nice Guy by Jonathan Rand

Some mature themes and language.

Please contact smacgregor@southridge.bc.ca for questions or to reserve seats.

BLACK BOX THEATRE



2019 Southridge Learning Abroad Opportunities

Parent meeting	Details
Monday, May 1 6:30 pm Sr. School Library	This trip will see students travel to Whitehorse, Carcross, Dawson City, and Tombstone Territorial Park. Students will explore the history and culture of the north, and will work alongside indigenous youth from the Tr'ondek Hwech'in First Nation, building mountain bike trails on their ancestral lands as part of the <u>Singletrack to Success</u> program. In addition to the service, history, and culture portions of the trip, there will be opportunities for hiking, biking, paddling, and photography as well! Jane Kopke, Founder of the Singletrack to Success program will be in attendance at the meeting.
Wednesday, May 9 6:30 pm Sr. School Library	This trip will expose our students to the history of Canada's contributions to the First and Second World Wars. Students will travel to battle sites in France and Belgium, including Passchendaele, Juno Beach, Vimy Ridge, Dieppe, and more. Visits to museums and historic sites are the central focus of the trip, but there are also opportunities to explore great world cities like London and Paris. Mr. Knihniski, Ms. Alexandra, Ms. Holt, and Mr. Jones chaperoned the last trip and would be happy to share their insights with you.
Thursday, May 10 6:30 pm Sr. School Library	This trip will see our students headed back to work with our friends at <u>Project Somos</u> where they will work on a variety of projects on the site. Past projects have included constructing buildings from recycled pop bottles, running irrigation lines in the ground, and building fences around the property. When not immersed in service, our students will have plenty of opportunity to interact with the mothers and the children who call Project Somos home. Students will also explore a variety of cultural and historic sites around Guatemala. Please take a look at the over 700 photos from the 2017 Guatemala trip on <u>Vidigami</u> if you'd like to see what it's all about. Ms. Alexandra, Mr. Geddert, and Ms. MacKinnon chaperoned the last trip and would be happy to share their insights with you.
Thursday, May 10 7:30 pm Sr. School Library	This trip provides our students with a deep historical and cultural experience in Cambodia. While living in a homestay on an island in the Mekong River (Koh Pdao), our students will take part in a service initiative that will be determined by the need on the island at the time. In 2017, Southridge students helped build two concrete rain-water collectors for a family, as the island has no running water or electricity. While the time on the island was the highlight of the 2017 trip students also enjoyed touring the ancient Angkor temples in Siem Reap, learning about the Khmer Rouge and the Cambodian genocide, and touring the bustling city of Phnom Penh. Please take a look at the over 300 photos from the 2017 Guatemala trip on <u>Vidigami</u> if you'd like to see what it's all about. Ms. Kolic and Mr. Jones chaperoned the last trip and would be happy to share their insights with you.
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Students may fill out a trip application form for a trip only after the parent meeting for said trip has been held.

	Mon- 30	Tues-1	Wed-2	Thur-3	Fri-4
Breakfast	Smoothie Day	Bacon Egger	Smoothie Day	Lemon Poppy Seed Scone	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree	Chicken Chow Mein	Salad Bar	Chicken Taco Bowl	Salad Bar	Fish and Rice Pilaf
Pasta Bowl	Stuffed Pasta	Alfredo	Mac and Cheese	Rose'	Marinara
Grill Central	Spring Rolls	Flat Bread	BBQ Ribber	Calzone	BBQ Bacon Burger
Weekly Panini	Chicken Caesar	Chicken Casear	Chicken Casear	Chicken Casear	Chicken Casear
Great Greens	Grain Salad	Salad Bar	Chef Salad	Salad Bar	Tossed Salad



	Mon-14	Tues-15	Wed-16	Thur-17
Breakfast	Smoothie Day	Lemon poppy Seed	Smoothie Day	Sausage Wrap
Chef's Entree	Perogies and Sausage	Salad Bar	Burrito Bar	Salad Bar
Pasta Bowl	Stuffed Pasta	Alfredo	Mac and Cheese	Rose`
Grill Central	Smokie	Butter Chicken	BBQ Ribber	Personal Pizza
Weekly Panini	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto	Chicken Pesto
Great Greens	Pasta Salad	Salad Bar	Caesar Salad	Salad Bar











	Mon-7	Tues-8	Wed-9	Thur-10	Fri-11
Breakfast	Smoothie Day	Bacon Egger	Smoothie Day	Blue Berry scone	Smoothie Day
Chef's Entree	Chicken Quesadilla	Salad Bar	Greek Kabobs	Salad Bar	Fish Taco
Pasta Bowl	Stuffed Pasta	Alfredo	Mac and Cheese	Rose'	Primavera
Grill Central	Chorizo Sausage	Thai Red Curry	Pot Pie	Pizza	Poutine
Weekly Panini	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza	Chicken Pizza
Great Greens	Thai Noodle	Salad Bar	Tossed Salad	Salad Bar	Chef Salad

