



SOUTHRIDGE

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Weekly Voice

Basketball Butterfly Effect

The Storm score a basket in the Southridge gym and 15,000 kilometres away someone's life gets changed. It may sound ridiculous, but it's true. The KFACE KLASSIC basketball tournament was started in 2014 by my mother Marguerite to raise money for her foundation, The Kenya Foundation to Aid Children through Education (KFACE). What I didn't know, was how big a difference it would make. Originally, I just wanted to support my mom's philanthropic efforts, but it wasn't until I heard about a girl named Christina, from Kenya, that I truly realized the impact we were making.

Christine Akinyi lives with her brother and sister in Kenya. Her father died of AIDS in 2008, leaving them with no money for school. It was my mother, a retired professor from UBC, who picked her out of dozens of applicants through KFACE. "Christine was accepted at a first-rate high school but didn't have any money. That is when she came to us and [KFACE] sponsored her through high school." Christine has since started working towards a Bachelor of Business Management at *Mt Kenya University*, a dream that for most children whose parents are victims of the HIV crisis in Africa, is basically impossible. In fact, it was the HIV epidemic in Kenya that inspired my mom to start her own foundation. "The one I was working with didn't want to open a base in Homa Bay," she said, referencing the part of Kenya hit hardest by the disease. "Those kids needed it the most."

In 2014, the tournament started featuring six girls' teams. Now Mr. Anderson has added a Senior Boys' draw, bringing it up to 14 teams and raising even more money and awareness for KFACE. Projections suggest that the tournament will surpass the \$15,000 mark this year and for a small organization sponsoring just 40 girls, that money goes a long way.

It's making a huge impact on the lives of these girls. The extra expenses mount up, and after tuition, this tournament helps with medical expenses, travel home to see family, purchasing laptops, and even helping with phone bills. But perhaps the most important expense is a caretaker named George whose main responsibility is to accompany the girls to school and make sure their living arrangements are safe -- a problem that has forced many young girls out of school in Kenya.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the schools who participated in this year's tournament that took place a few weeks ago as well as everyone who

attended/volunteered, and the parents who supported the concession stand. I am so thankful that we are in a position to raise funds for a meaningful charity that is making a big difference in the lives of girls who really need it.

Paul Chiarenza
Senior School Teacher and Senior Girls Basketball Coach



Homa Bay, Kenya

Important Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
Senior School Lunch Dismissal	Thursday, February 7	12:30 pm	Senior School
Senior School Student Led Conferences	Thursday, February 7	1:30 pm	Senior School
Re-enrollment Forms Due	Thursday, February 7		Both Schools
No School for Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2	Friday, February 8	All Day	Junior School
U.S. College Admissions Information Session	Tuesday, February 12	9:00 am	University Counselling Centre Room 238
Junior School Weekly Assembly	Wednesday, February 13	8:10 am	Junior School Great Hall
Course Selection Evening	Wednesday, February 13	6:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Jump Rope for Heart	Thursday, February 14	8:00 am	Junior School
Hoops for Heart	Thursday, February 14	1:00 pm	Senior School
Professional Development Day	Friday, February 15	All Day	Both Schools
Family Day Holiday	Monday, February 18	All Day	Both Schools
Half-Term Holiday	Tuesday, February 19	All Day	Both Schools
Late Start	Wednesday, February 20	10:20 am	Both Schools
Junior School Weekly Assembly	Wednesday, February 20	10:30 am	Junior School Great Hall
Canadian University Information Session	Thursday, February 21	9:00 am	University Counselling Centre Room 238
Junior School Early Dismissal	Thursday, February 21	11:45 am	Junior School
Junior School Student Led Conferences	Thursday, February 21	12:00 pm	Junior School
Evening Presentation for Dominica 2020	Thursday, February 21	6:30 pm	Senior School – Alderdice Library
Senior Play – FAME	Wednesday, February 27	7:00 pm	Coast Capital Theatre
Senior Play – FAME	Thursday, February 28	7:00 pm	Coast Capital Theatre
Senior Play – FAME	Friday, March 1	7:00 pm	Coast Capital Theatre

Junior School News

Admissions Related Non-Instructional Day for K-2 Classes, Friday, February 8

In order to assess and get to know prospective students applying to the school for the 2019-2020 school year, the following date will be a non-instructional day for the specific grades indicated:

- Friday, February 8 - No school for all K-2 students (Kindergarten, Grade 1, and Grade 3 Admissions Assessment Day). School is in session for all Grade 3-7 students.

Thank you in advance for making alternative arrangements for your child on the affected date. Please note that Clubs Care is available for those families that need on-site child care. Register early to avoid disappointment. Please contact Rita Rai for more information (rrai@southeridge.bc.ca).

Professional Development Day, Family Day Holiday and Half-Term Holiday, Friday, February 15 – Tuesday, February 19, and Late Start, Wednesday, February 20

Friday, February 15 is a Professional Development Day – school will not be in session for students. School will be closed for the Family Day Holiday on Monday, February 18, and for the Half-Term Holiday on Tuesday, February 19. Classes will resume with a late start on Wednesday, February 20 at 10:25 a.m. *Please do not drop off students any earlier than 10:10 a.m. as all faculty and staff are in meetings and no supervision is provided.*

Student-Led Learning Conferences: Thursday, February 21, (11:45am dismissal)

On Thursday, February 21, students will have the opportunity host their own Student-Led Learning Conference. The purpose of Student-Led Learning Conferences is to provide each child with the opportunity to independently communicate their learning and daily classroom experiences in a developmentally appropriate manner with their parents. Another goal of the conference is to help students take responsibility for their learning. Students will not just talk about what they are learning, but also about how they are

learning, which may be contextualized through the attributes of the IB Learner Profile and/or the Approaches to Learning.

In the PYP grades, your child may share work samples, items from their portfolios, reflections and goals, give demonstrations, describe routines, and may also ask you to participate in different activities in the classroom to give you a window into their learning day. In the MYP grades, your child will share a digital portfolio in which they have documented aspects of their learning through the lenses of the Approaches to Learning (ATL), as well as their yearly goals, and reflections on their progress towards meeting their goals to date.

Please be aware that there will be an 11:45 am dismissal on that day to accommodate the conferences. Please save the date and plan to be present to support your child. The students really look forward to having the opportunity to share and shine!

For All Junior School Families: Clubs Day and Early Dismissal Open for Registration

Prevent boredom and keep your child busy by attending a Clubs Day!

Children will be busy all day with STEM Challenges, Fine Motor Activities, Science Experiments, Gross Motor Activities and much more!

- **February 8th** - Assessment Day
(No School for Kindergarten, Grade 1 and Grade 2)
- **February 15th** - Professional Development Day
- **February 19th** - Half-Term Holiday
- **February 21st** - Student Led Learning Conferences - Early Dismissal

To register email Rita Rai at rri@southernridge.bc.ca

Senior School News

Calendar Alert:

All Grade 10 students will write the Grade 10 Numeracy Exam on Friday June 21 at 9:00 am. The Grade 10 Numeracy Exam is a BC graduation requirement. Please record this important date in your calendar.

Southridge Senior School Presents...Fame!



Theatre is an agent of social change. As this is the overarching theme for all courses in the drama department, and more specifically the Theatre Company class, the class producing our school show this year FAME, has decided to support **Youth in BC** as it's charity partner. Youth in BC is a an on-line chat program of the BC Crisis Center, specifically focused on helping teens throughout BC deal with stress, anxiety, depression and more. The charity is an online chat room that allows troubled youth to speak with live trained volunteers through text messaging, on their computer, or phone. The chatroom gives teens an opportunity to speak with someone about their problems, and hopefully find a way to solve them. The website also provides teens with resources to further help them if need be, such as phone numbers for crisis lines and links to companies to help with sexual or substance abuse, or thoughts of suicide.

Come out, and see FAME, the play, with those iconic characters and all the 80's lore you can handle!

February 27, 28, and March 1st at the Coast Capital Playhouse, and learn more about how you can support YOUTH IN BC. Ticket information can be found by clicking the link at <https://www.southeridge.bc.ca>, or at www.whiterockplayers.ca



By Joe Bird, FAME promotions

Dominica 2020 Student Trip

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I would like to invite you to an informational session about a potential two-week expedition to Dominica in summer 2020 to help with biodiversity surveys run by Operation Wallacea. The presentation will be held at Southridge on **Thursday, February 21st at 6:30 pm in the Senior School Library** and is open to students in Grades 10, 11 and 12 (in the 2019/2020 school year).

Dominica is one of the most unspoilt islands of the Caribbean – its steep forested cliffs rise straight out of the sea, and the deep forest canyons and waterfalls have made mechanical clearance on the island impossible. Operation Wallacea is working with the Forestry Department to enhance their datasets on the forest dynamics and faunal communities and students have the opportunity to help with this research.

In their first week, the students will be based in a rainforest research centre, sleeping in dormitories or tents. They will assist with various surveys, such as bird surveys (both early morning mist nets trapping and standard point counts), forest structure, herpetofauna surveys (including documenting the spread of an invasive anolis lizard), freshwater ecological surveys, bat surveys and invertebrate surveys. During this week they will also complete a course on Caribbean Island Ecology and have the chance to either take part in a half day canyoning activity or go on a day excursion to visit some of Dominica's stunning volcanic sites and learn about some of the island's exciting geothermal activity.

For the second week, the group will travel to Fort Shirley in the Cabrits National Park, where students will snorkel while completing a Caribbean reef ecology and survey methods course. Students will also be taking part in sea mammal research using the knowledge and skills that they have gained.

It is also possible to complete an Independent Research Project while on expedition, and the expedition covers key aspects of biology, geography and environmental science syllabuses.

A quote for the expedition will be presented to students and parents at the presentation. The quote will include food and accommodation while on the expedition, comprehensive medical insurance, training and participation in the research program and dive/snorkel equipment rental. It will also include the cost of international flights, internal transfers and hotel stays. It will not include transport to and from the airport in Canada, incidental expenses such as souvenirs and meals on the international flights or at the airports.

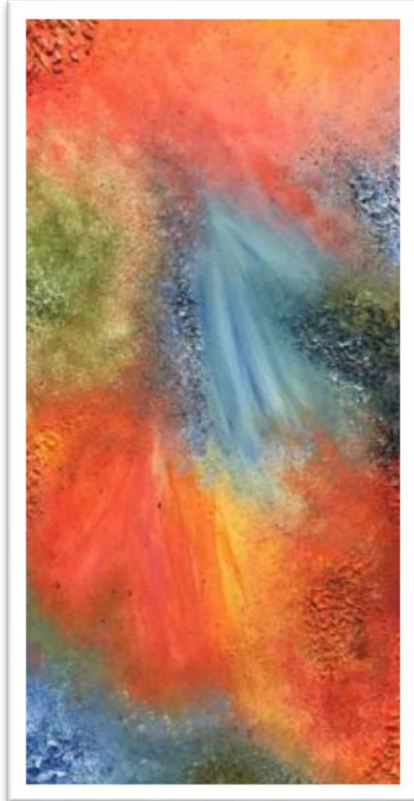
I look forward to seeing you on the evening.

Ms. Szymczak
Biology Teacher

Art as Research! Grade 11 Art Movement Presentations

Neo-Classicism, Baroque, Abstract Expressionism – just a few examples of the movements the Grade 11 Art students have been exploring. Since before the winter break, they have been concentrating on their assigned movement through arts based research methodologies. Their task: to create a 5-minute presentation to explain what their movement is or was, and to paint an abstract painting using water soluble oil paint and only the primary colours plus white. This image is meant to capture the essence of their movement. Even although all the paintings must be done in the “abstract expressionist style” they are all shockingly different because each movement has a different ethos! From abstract figures, to a blurred nature-esque scene; every painting has their own qualities – just like the movements they were tasked with portraying.

Presently, they are in the midst of the presentations. The presentations themselves are going in chronological order, to follow the natural progression through time. The paintings will be displayed in the same chronological manner, so the school community can also learn art history in a visual manner and to be able to understand in what way the movements relate to one another. Through the project they are further understanding the



-isms, movements, and styles of the past, and by understanding the past; as students, are the hopes of creating beautiful pieces, and movements of the future.

This is my painting that I crafted inspired from the Rococo movement, along with my artist statement below:

“My painting focuses on the Rococo movement, specifically looking at the vibrant and joyful aspects, as demonstrated through my use of color, through the use of bright, vivid colors - both warm and cool toned. By using these colors, I attempted to follow through with the overall feeling of the Rococo style.

Another large aspect of my piece includes the texture I have added. Specifically regarding the rough looking spaces around the edges, and center of my piece, the colors of these textures range depending on where they are placed on the piece. The texture in my piece is meant to represent how Rococo was often used in architecture, and through this I attempted to explain the 3rd dimension of Rococo through my piece.

Lastly, another important aspect of Rococo was the flow and intricacies of the style. I attempted to show this in my piece through blending the colors together and using multiple shades and hues to create movement around the canvas. And I attempted to make my piece intricate through utilizing the different colors, and the transitions between them (also using the texture) to allow my piece to have many aspects to it, many places for one’s eye to travel and inspect. Thus allowing my piece to be intricate and keep the style of Rococo alive within my piece.”

Kate Maguire
Grade 11

University Counselling and Career Centre Update

University Counsellors and Career Education teachers have now turned their attention to assisting students in their preparation for course choices for next year. There are student information sessions and a parent information night coming up on Wednesday, February 13th.

Ms. Livingston and Mrs. Becker also invite parents to join us for coffee morning chats in the University Centre (Room 238) to discuss course choices in relation to university application and admission. There will be three sessions as follows:

- **Tuesday, February 12th at 9:00 am** ---- Want to know more about U.S. colleges and what's required for admission, hosted by Mrs. Becker
- **Thursday, February 21st at 9:00 am** ----- What's trending in Canadian university and college admissions, hosted by Ms. Livingston

Parents of any Senior School student are welcome! Please join us for conversation, coffee, tea and snacks!

Both Schools

Call for Nominations - 25 Remarkable Alumni

Believe it or not, Southridge will celebrate its 25th anniversary next year. As part of this exciting milestone for our school community, there will be many events and initiatives planned in the 2019/2020 school year for our entire school community (full details to come closer to the end of the school year).

One of the initiatives we have just launched to commemorate the 25th is recognizing the remarkable achievements of our alumni. From their contributions as volunteers and community leaders, to their academic and professional successes, our alumni are making a difference in the world. To acknowledge their achievements, we are running the **25 Remarkable Alumni** campaign.

We are currently calling for nominations, of which 25 alumni will be selected and recognized at a special Anniversary event during the 2019-2020 school year.

Individuals who received their Grade 12 diploma from Southridge School are eligible for nomination.

In evaluating nominations, a selection committee will be guided by the following considerations:

- Does the nominee live the values of Southridge School, demonstrated by their personal integrity and moral character?
- Has the nominee contributed to the greater good through extraordinary service to society?
- Has the nominee attained a high level of leadership, creativity, distinction, and/or achievement in the arts, athletics, academics, business, teaching, research, sciences, or in any other field or discipline?

Alumni, alumni families, faculty, and community members are invited to nominate Southridge graduates. If you know a grad who is making a difference in the world through extraordinary leadership, community service, academic accomplishment or achievement in the arts or athletics, then nominate them today!

Nominations may be submitted by any individual, independently or on behalf of a group or institution. The deadline for submissions is **May 31, 2019**.

Recipients and their nominator(s) will be notified by **July 30, 2019** and will be recognized at a special commemorative event to be held in February 2020 at Southridge School.

To submit a nomination or to read more about criteria and instructions, please visit www.southridge.bc.ca/alumni/25 or email remarkable@southridge.bc.ca.

If you have any questions, feel contact Jasmine Boyes (jboyes@southridge.bc.ca) or Christiane Hodson (chodson@southridge.bc.ca).

Sincerely,

Jasmine Boyes
Community & Alumni Relations Manager

2019-2020 Offers of Re-enrollment

All current families at the school should have received an email directing you to The Ridge to view your offer of re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year. The email was distributed last Tuesday, January 29th. Please check your inbox, as **your re-enrollment contract is due by Friday, February 8th**.

Thank you to those families who have already completed their contract online and who have submitted re-enrollment deposits, and to those who have reached out to have their questions answered about tuition and re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year.

Anyone who has questions about their family's tuition fees is encouraged to connect directly with Wendy Simpson, Executive Director of Finance and Operations at wsimpson@southridge.bc.ca. As always, our annual tuition and fees as well as payment options are posted publicly on the school website each year when tuition is updated: <https://www.southridge.bc.ca/admissions/tuition-and-fees>

If you have any trouble logging into The Ridge to find your re-enrollment contract, please contact Andrew Wong: awong@southridge.bc.ca.

If you did not receive the re-enrollment email, please contact Erin Labbé: elabbe@southridge.bc.ca.

Join the Southridge School Sun Run Team!

The Vancouver Sun Run is less than 80 days away! This year's event will take place on Sunday, April 14th. We are hoping for another large turnout of Southridge students, parents, and teachers from both the Junior and Senior School. All ages are welcome to take part in this fun and fit community event, so be sure to tell your extended family and friends about it too! Whether your goal is to walk, jog, or race the full 10K or the 2.5K Mini Sun Run, we would love to have you join us on our Southridge team!

Please note: This is not an official Southridge excursion, so families will need to arrange their own transportation and supervision.

Beat the rush and **sign up by February 8th** (this Friday!) to enjoy an 'early bird' rate of \$22 per student and \$35 per adult. To register, go to www.vancouversunrun.com, at the top of the page select 'Register' and click 'Join an Existing Team'. Search for "Southridge School". Next, choose between the 2.5K Mini Run or the 10K option, fill out the registration information, and proceed to the checkout.

Please E-mail me (mmorley@southridge.bc.ca) if you have any questions about the event!

Good luck to everyone and happy running!

Ms. Morley

Brand New Position—Used Uniforms!

Clothes don't grow, but kids sure do! We are looking for 2-4 parents (ideally 2 Junior School and 2 Senior School) to organize, manage, and run the Used Uniform program at Southridge. Some retail experience would be an asset.

If you are interested, please email volunteer@southridge.bc.ca.

Thank you!

The Volunteer Committee

Southridge Café

Parents and students are reminded that there should be adequate funds in students' accounts before purchases are made in the cafeteria. If the student account is running low, please make a deposit into the account and any negative balance needs to be topped up as soon as possible. You can check your student account balance by logging onto www.mykidsspending.com or checking with the staff in the Café.

To deposit funds into the student accounts, parents please log onto the My Kids Spending account and make a deposit via credit card or e-check. The credit card payment does have a service fee, but the e-check transfer does not. Alternatively, you can drop off a cheque payable to Southridge School, or cash, to the Senior School reception and ensure that the cheque or cash envelope includes the student name, ID, and 'for Café' clearly marked.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the Café at ptan@southridge.bc.ca.

Phala Tan
Business Services Manager

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

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onto the bag. Price is \$70.00 each + tax. A sample bag is available at the Uniform Shop and you are welcome to come in and take a look. If interested, please place order at the shop by Thursday, February 7th.

Regular hours are:

- Monday-Thursday: 7:45 - 9:00 am and 2:00 - 4:00 pm (on days with late start, we open only in the afternoon)
- Friday: Closed

Phala Tan
Business Services Manager
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**SOUTHBRIDGE SENIOR SCHOOL
PRESENTS**

Fame

Based on the Screenplay by
Christopher Gore

Conceived by
David De Silva

Adapted to the stage by
Christopher Sergel



February 27 - March 1, 2019

7 pm

**The Coast Capital Playhouse
1532 Johnston Road, White Rock**

*For ticket information, please visit www.southridge.bc.ca
or www.whiterockplayers.ca*

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