



January 20, 2023

Dear Families and Students,

Please see the calendar below with what is happening next week. Want some hand sanitizer? We have 900 x 220ml bottles that we are giving them away for free. Connect with the front office or ask your student to come down and get a few or even 50 of them. Remember that Jan 30 and 31 are "I Days" (see below for more information) and only students who have been invited are to attend. The rest of the students have the two days off. Cafeteria will be open all week and we now have TAP.

Today the multicultural club put on a Lunar New Year event after school. The third installment of the Grads V Staff games was held on Thursday. This time it was Kahoot – School Questions. 7 staff and 7 grads battled it out with the Staff winning. So for competitions, it is Staff 2, Grads 1. Next up is Indoor Soccer in February. Also the choir and band performed at our feeder schools on Thursday and Friday. They did an amazing job and the elementary schools were very thankful that they came.

Below are some important dates and activities for next week:

Monday, Jan 23	Regular Classes
Tuesday, Jan 24	Core Competencies reflection Grade 8s, Flex, Regular Classes
Wednesday, Jan 25	Collab day, Core Competencies reflection Grade 9s, Regular Classes, Last day of classes for Grade 10's
Thursday, Jan 26	Last day of classes for Semester 1 (GR 8, 9, 11, 12), Grade 10 students no classes – Provincial Literacy Assessment instead (See information below), Choral Celebration Night
Friday, Jan 27	Pro D Day – no classes

Take care and enjoy the weekend.

January Provincial Assessments: Provincial Assessments – Literacy

On January 26th you will be expected to write the province's Literacy 10 Assessment. This assessment is a graduation requirement for all students. Grade 10s will not be in regular classes on the 26th and will be requested to show up to school at the specific times listed below. Previous emails asked students to register, however that system is no longer functioning to our benefit (remove). We will mass register all students and ask you to show up to the locations listed below on the exam day.

On January 26th –

At this time, all grade 10 students should locate their Student ID card as this piece of ID has the Provincial Education Number (PEN) which they will need to login to the assessment. If this card cannot be located, students can find this PEN number in MyED under "My Info". It is their responsibility to bring this key detail to the assessment.

<p>Grade 10s with the Last Name AB – KUN 8:30 – 11:30 ABE – GILL in Theatre GIN – HOU in Library HOW – KAP in 2119 KAR – KUN in 2147</p>	<p>Grade 10s with the Last Name LA – ZH 12:00 – 3:00 LAB - SOO in Theatre SUK - WAN in Library WAT - XIA in 2008 XU - ZHO in 2113</p>
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For further information on the Graduation Assessments please follow the links below.

Graduation Literacy Assessment –

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/assessment/literacy-assessment/grade-10-literacy-assessment>

If there are any questions or concerns about specific situations that pertain to you, please connect with the grade 10 counsellor, Mr. Rob Rickey at rrickey@deltaschools.ca

I Days

Reminder that the final day for semester 1 classes will be Thursday January 26th. January 30-31 are scheduled “I-Days”. The “I Days” will be for students to work with staff to complete learning or missing or incomplete assessments prior to the end of semester 1. Students are not required to attend school during these three days unless invited by their teachers. Teachers will inform their students closer to the end of the semester regarding their attendance and participation in the “I Days”. This time will also allow teachers and staff to prepare for the start of semester 2 starting on February 1. We will have a regular bell schedule for the “I Days”

Choral Celebration Night

Thursday, January 26th , the Music Department will be holding a Choral Celebration Night.

The concert begins at 7:00pm in the theatre and will feature our Concert Choir and the Elementary Honour Choir who are students from our Families of Schools (Heath, Pinewood, Sunshine Hills, and Cougar Canyon Elementary schools). The concert has not been held in two years now and we are happy to bring it back this year!

There are no tickets for admission, however if you'd like to make a donation, it will go towards the Music Program.

We invite parents, family, and friends to join us in this night of singing and music. Doors will open at 6:30 pm.

We look forward to sharing our music with you!

Ski Trips

There is currently a waiting list for the Seaquam Whistler Ski-Club Trip happening Feb 17. Please email Mr. Zamar (rzamar@deltalearns.ca) or drop by the computer lab (room 1429) if you are interested in this trip!

Students that have not completed their registration (i.e. online payment) for Whistler Trip #2 (happening Feb 17th) by Jan 22 will be replaced with students currently on the waiting list.

Please register (i.e. make payments for trips) only if your name is on that roster. Please visit the Seaquam Ski & Snowboard Club website (below) to view both rosters.

<https://se-coding.ca/ski-club/>

The Whistler Trip #1 (happening Friday, Jan 27) is now full. We will be departing from the front Seaquam parking lot at 6:00 AM SHARP. Please make sure that you are there by 5:30 AM. The bus will not wait for students that are late.

Finally, there will be a short, mandatory meeting after school on Monday, Jan 23 for all ski club members going on the Jan 27th trip. The meeting will start at 2:45 PM in the computer lab (room 1429).

Lyon Road

Delta Police will be stepping up enforcement of traffic violations on Lyon Road near Seaquam and Cougar Canyon during school hours. There are several complains that drivers and parkers are not being safe and not adhering to the traffic laws in school zone. Things that they are going to pay particular attention to are U turns, unsafe driving, parking, and speed. I know most of you do a great job following the rules. Please keep that up

PAC meeting

The next PAC meeting will be on Monday, January 30 (UPDATED DATE). Lisa C, District Coordinator, will chat about the career opportunities for students while they are in high school! She is trying to raise awareness as many families are not sure about their options while in school. Also, the Principal will discuss the process for deciding on what structures Seaquam will use next year.

Seaquam Parking lots

A reminder to please not drop off or pick up your student in either of the parking lots between the hours of 8am – 3:30pm. The primary reason for this is student and staff safety. Thank you.

Cafeteria Menu

Jan. 23-27.23	Seaquam Café Menu				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup of the day	Broccoli & Cheddar	Chicken Tortilla	Loaded Baked Potato	Coconut Chicken	Pro D Day

Special #1	Potato & Cheese Perogies Caramelized Onions	Pizza Pepperoni or Cheese	Goldfish Crusted Mac & Cheese	Baked Tortellini Alfredo	Pr D Day
Special #2	Chicken Fajita Penne Pasta Garlic Knots	BBQ BBQ Chicken Twice Baked Potato Coleslaw	Crispy Fish Tacos Cilantro Lime Crema	Chicken & Cheese Enchillada Sour Cream & Salsa	Pro D Day
Special #3	Assorted Mini Sandwiches	Veggie Burger Fries	Honey Garlic Pork Stir-Fry	N/A	Pro D Day

Athletics

Seaquam Home Games Jan. 23-27

Monday Jr. Boys BBall vs. Burnsvie @ 3:30PM
Jr. Girls BBall vs. Burnsvie @ 5:00PM

Tuesday

Wednesday Jr. Girls BBall vs. Delview @ 3:30PM
Jr. Boys BBall vs. Delview @ 5:00PM
Sr. Girls BBall vs. South Delta @ 6:30PM

Thursday Gr. 9 Boys BBall vs. North Delta @ 3:30PM

Friday

Spring Sports are coming up fast! Check the athletics website, listen to announcements, and check the athletics board in the gym for tryout information.

Ball Hockey - sign up opened Wednesday Jan. 18th

Badminton - starts early February

Track

Ultimate

Golf

Senior Girls Soccer - We are looking for a coach to take on the Sr. Girls Soccer team.

Tennis

Athletic Director Main Contact for Spring is Cam MacGillivray, cmacgillivray@deltaschools.ca.

You can also contact Todd Clarke, tclarke@deltaschools.ca

Student Clothing

Seaquam is offering students and families the opportunity to buy some Seaquam swag. The sale is from January 5-22. The office has some sample sizes that students can try out. All orders are done online and we hope to have the items back to students by Spring Break. Check it out.

<https://www.prostockathleticsupply.com/collections/seaquam-secondary-school-online-store>

Delta Homestay families needed

Delta School District International Programs needs more homestay families for international students coming to Delta School District for September 2023. They will arrive from all over the world and have a strong desire to be in Delta.

Hosting a student comes with a reimbursement of \$1100 per month for expenses. Multiple students from different nationalities can be hosted in one home.

They are looking for a family connection and being a part of a family during their stay in Delta. Their study periods range from 3 months to multiple years. If you are interested in hosting, please reach out to homestay@godelta.ca. If you are not able to host but know of a family who can, please send them our way.

Student Opportunity

Dream It Be It – Free Career Planning Event Conference

January 21, 2023 – KPU Surrey/Newton Campus – Spruce Atrium
10am – 3pm

For Surrey/Delta girls ages 13 – 18 (grades 8 – 12), who identify as female, transgender and non-binary. Registration is between 9:00am – 10:00am. Program begins at 10:00am.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Hear and meet inspiring guest speakers
- Meet and interact with professional women in a variety of careers, and trades professions
- Gather valuable resources (volunteer opportunities, education info, community resources, etc.)
- Enjoy FREE lunch and refreshments
- WIN fabulous door prizes
- Receive a Grad Transition Certificate

<https://www.soroptimistwhiterock.ca/events/>

The DELTA TEACHING ASSISTANT CERTIFICATION (DTAC) program:

- Quality instruction and up-to-date curriculum
- Over 20 years of successful operation
- A proven track record with employers
- A manageable part-time schedule
- Among the most affordable tuition fees in B.C.

The Application Deadline for the Fall 2023 program is Monday, MARCH 6, 2023.

Detailed Information: <https://deltalearns.ca/dtac/>

Grad Information

To Book Grad Photos by Artona, go here - <https://artona.com/schools/SEAQ>. Dates are Feb 16-27

Dry Grad Information

DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 25th – Dry Grad Info Booth and tickets sales in the Cafeteria during lunch

February 3rd – Treats in the Cafeteria

February 25th - Pub Night at the One20Pub

March 8th -Grad Showcase/Fashion Show

April – Easter Purdy’s fundraiser

April/May – Neufeld Farms fundraiser

May 13th - 4 in 1 fundraiser: bottles/hanging baskets/car wash (more to come)

June 10th - Red Carpet/Dinner & Dance/Dry Grad Full details on all these events are in the attached newsletter!

Our Dry Grad website is updated regularly:

<https://sites.google.com/view/seaquamdrygrad2023/home>

If you have any questions, you can contact us at: seaquamdrygrad2023@gmail.com

Families and students in financial need

We realize that sometimes families struggle financially. The BC Government has created a Student and Family Affordability Fund and will be providing schools funds for this school year only to help students and families with school fees, school supplies, food security, and assorted other things. Please contact your child’s counsellor or administrator if your family requires financial support. Discretion is paramount.

Calendar events

Jan 24	Grade 7 Parent Night 6pm
Jan 26	last Day of Semester 1 classes Grade 10’s doing Literacy Assessment Choral Celebration Night
Jan 27	Pro D Day
Jan 30, 31	1 days
Jan 30	PAC Meeting
Feb 1	First Day of Semester 2 classes
Feb 8	Collab Day
Feb 9	Report Cards for Semester 1
Feb 10	Fire Drill
Feb 13	Couse Planning Parent night
Feb 16	Grade Games – Indoor soccer
Feb 17	Pro D Day
Feb 20	Family Day, no school
Feb 22	Pink Shirt Day, Collab Day

Sincerely,

Mark Robinson, Principal Ian Close, Vice Principal Vlad Nikic, Vice Principal