

PREPARING FOR SECONDARY

One of the things that we have learned as teachers, is that an 8/9 school is very different from a 7/8 school. With provincial exams looming at grade 10, we want to do everything we can to better prepare our students for the secondary experience and to impress upon them how serious the business of learning is.

The semester system will be subject wide in Brooks and as a result we have timetabled Science and Socials at OV to give students a chance to get used to that kind of a schedule. Now that the students have all finished one of these core courses, we hope that he/she realizes how important it is to be consistent and keep up to date.

Those students who have not passed all their core courses will be required to complete them at summer school. If they are not successful at that time they will be repeating the course.

COURSE SELECTION HAS STARTED

..... for our grade 9's. The counsellors have been in classrooms and each student should have taken home a course selection sheet of their grade 10 courses for your signature. If this hasn't happened please get in touch with one of the school counsellors right away.

We are hoping to semester electives next year as well as Science and Socials. Band and choir will remain linear.

Students will continue to have a number of different teachers as they prepare for Brooks.

Programming for the new grade 8's and 9's won't start for a while, but transition meetings for elementary schools begins in April. Orientation for parents and new students is in May.



READ FOR THE TOP

Planned for April 14th and 15th, the Read for the Top class preliminary rounds will be on the first day with the grand finals to be held on the following afternoon.

In preparation for this event a list of prescribed novels was included in a recent newsletter. Please encourage your child to get involved by reading some of this first class literature at home in their leisure. You may even want to read some yourself as some of this material appeals to all ages.

Remember that the modeling you do tells kids how important reading is.

USING THE AGENDA

Just a reminder.....

The Agenda continues to serve a very important function. Please be sure that you are checking it regularly and encourage your child to use it daily. It is beneficial as a planner and an organizer when properly used.

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DATES OF INTEREST

Mar. 17th—School Dance

Mar. 18th—last day of school before Spring Break

Mar. 21-25th—Spring Break

Mar. 28-29th—Easter Break

Mar. 30th—School resumes

April 15th—Literacy Day

April 18th — District Pro D day (students do not attend)

April 27th—School Dance

April 28th—Report card

IMPORTANT JUNE DATES

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| June 1st | District Pro D | Band Trip |
| June 2nd/3rd | Grade 8/9 | Field Trips |
| June 13th-17th | Review | Week |
| June 21st/22nd/23rd | Final | exams |
| June 24th | Exam | make up day |
| June 27th | Awards | Night 7:00 |
| June 28th | Grade 9 | farewell dinner and dance |
| June 29th | Last day | for students/ report cards |
| Students do not attend June 27th or 28th during the day. | | |



Improving Communication

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OV SOCCER

The 1990 Boys Rep Soccer Team coached by Lisa Lundell has been named the *Team of the Year* by the Powell River Soccer Association. These players are almost exclusively Oceanview students.

OV now has it's own grade 8/9 soccer team who play in a grade 10 League. They have just returned from their first Playday where they racked up 1 win against 2 losses, an outstanding finish considering their older, stronger competitors.

PRINCIPAL'S HONOUR ROLL Grade 9

- | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Matt Bieber | Courtney Craigen | Linzie Heffernan |
| Allison DenToom | Megan Dietrich | Ben Lambert |
| Ashley Hutchings | Heather Gamborski | Melissa Lockstead |
| Kaleena Johnston | Cole Lance | Alana Skrodolis |
| Katie Kennedy | Kate May | Noah Robinson Roos |
| Matt Lundell | Jordan Ouellette | Andy Rice |
| Sara Lynskey | Sasha Palm | Caitlyn Best |
| Ted Olfert | Joel Thom | Travis Cuthbertson |
| Tara Simonetta | Anjani Varma | Nicole Lockyer |
| Sydney Thompson | Chris Mann | Steven Diprose |
| Rebecca Van't Schip | Mariah Beamin | Shandea Gosselin |
| Megan Young | Alissa Fougere | Tyson Hunt |
| Carly Aasen | | |

ACADEMIC HONOUR ROLL Grade 9

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|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Haley Duke | Katie Clarke | Richard Wong |
| Rachel McMaster | Brandon Henderson | Kayle Borgfjord |
| Laurie Perreault | Kim Klinger | Katherine Gemmell |
| Courtney Powell | Kayla Madalena | Karrissa Henderson |
| Anthony Romagnoli | Lindsay Obermeyer | Tessa Kucharsky |
| Kylene Van Dok | Markus Westby | Kaluhea Laureta |
| Anna Woewoda | Lowell Boran | Eric Leachman |
| Jake Erickson | Brendan Keddy | Jennifer McDonald |
| Jamie Foort | Stephanie Roberts | Lynn McDonald |
| Jared Formosa | Janiece Simpson | Zach Mueller |
| Ana Paola Suarez Gonzalez | Karissa Thomas | Jordyn Roberts |
| Katrina Archibald | Michael Wise | Graham Shaw |



MORE GOOD STUFF — THIS TIME GYMNASTICS

Courtney Craigen and Kayla Raimondo, two budding gymnasts, were the only girls from secondary school in PR at the recent B.C.High School Provincial Championships. They won 2nd place in the level 4 teams out of 11 teams.

Individual results are shown in the adjacent column.

WORK HABITS Gr 9

Anda Lalande



HATS OFF

to our choir and band members who competed in the recent music festival and did such an outstanding job. Many thanks to our 'maestro', Mike Sanford for his work as well as our very own pianist Andy Rice.



Gymnastic Results

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|----------------|-----|-------|
| Courtney | | Kayla |
| All around 3rd | | 6th |
| Bars | 6th | 3rd |
| Beam | 1st | 6th |
| Vault | 6th | 5th |
| Floor | 5th | 10th |

WELL DONE GIRLS !!

PRINCIPAL'S HONOUR ROLL ROLL

Grade 8

Carly Filewich
 Matt Gray
 Gitte John
 Nicole Scott
 Kailee Giles
 Tyler Lanigan
 Trigve Grimsrud
 Quincy Leachman
 Melanie Pannell
 Simone Kutz
 Shelby Baird-Jones
 Mary Johnston
 Keisuke Matsurra
 Chris Roberts
 Jared Siminoff
 Marc Camenzind
 Amanda Olson
 Melanie Oldham
 Cosmo Roemer
 Dylan Barkowsky
 Kamilah Charters Gabanek

ACADEMIC HONOUR ROLL

Grade 8

Devon Murray
 Zane Peters

ACADEMIC HONOUR ROLL

Grade 8

Tyson Burge
 Chris English
 Tenille Jensen
 Sang Mok Lee
 Erica Yoo
 Dustin Berg
 Tess Grantham
 Lillian Harding
 Sean Hodges
 Liz Jahnke
 Tessa Lloyd
 Tyler Perkins
 Daniel Lozano-Maurer
 Danica Vecsey
 Stephanie Gorbatuk
 Allan Knapp
 Kevin Nauer
 Kaitlin Orieucaia
 Kristin Potesta
 Katie Schindel
 Joe Thomas
 Erin Albertson
 Greg Chrinko
 Erik Fuller
 Sarah Greco
 Tyler Mac Neill
 Jordyn McGregor

WORK HABITS HONOUR

Grade 8

Bobbi Cartwright
 Stefan Fogarty
 Sarah Grant
 Vanessa Morais
 Kassi Ormson
 Devin Pielle
 Heather Young



Last month the LEAD carnival proved to be very popular and informative for our grade 8 population.

A series of booths were set up which students rotated through as they learned about drug use and abuse from community presenters. Mike Jones, a motivational speaker and a professional bike racer from the Lower Mainland, spoke to the students about setting goals and striving to achieve their best.

Our thanks to Susan Hill from New Life Counselling for organizing and running the event as well as the many volunteers and community members who helped run booths. Special thanks to TAVS who provided dedicated toques with the LEAD logo embroidered on them as prizes.

Thanks to PAC for the great lunch and the extra help with booths.

DID YOU KNOW ??

- Tutoring is available from many teachers. Email any teacher or call the office for more info.
- Electronic devices are not the responsibility of the school. Please discourage your child from bringing these to school.

LEAD

(Let's Educate About Drugs)



LEAF (Let's Educate About Futures)

Last month the LEAF conference proved very popular and informative for our grade 9 students.

After hearing a guest speaker, Marylee Stevenson, (a career guru from Vancouver), tell them about the working world, students got a choice to listen to several presenters speak about their career.

Amongst others, students had a chance to interact with a doctor, a logger, realtor, RCMP officer, firefighter, tradesman, and an Air Squadron pilot from Comox.

The guest speaker for LEAD, Mike Jones, also spoke to the students about the importance of goal setting.

It was a productive day in which we hope students started thinking a little more seriously about what the future holds and how to get there successfully.

MASTER BINDER

Thank you to those of you who filled out the questionnaire included with your child's report card. The comments were especially informative. As you may have realized the thrust of the research is on parent participation. Most people agree that parent participation is important, however, how much, at what level, and what type are all interesting questions. I have also learned more about parent par-

ticipation through my review of the literature. I will be sharing these findings with you in future newsletters. My analysis of the data will be finished by the end of April. I will be able to share more results at that time. Your input is valuable and it will help shape future parent involvement at Oceanview.

Frank Radcliffe



RCMP Taws

Westview Agencies

PR Paper Kings Career Link

All the presenters from local businesses and organizations.

All the parents who assisted.

NORM KUNZ VISITS

By now you would have heard about this man from your kids. We were privileged to have this dynamic speaker talk to the students about living with disabilities and the challenges that this presents. The kids were entertained, engaged, and informed about how it is to live with disabilities and how disabled people would like to be viewed.