



BRITANNIA NEWS UPDATES FOR FAMILIES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 2020

Hello Britannia Parents and Guardians,

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1. Remembrance Day at Britannia

Britannia will hold virtual Remembrance Day assemblies on Tuesday, November 10 in the morning and afternoon classes. Students will be given poppies at the start of each class and will have the option of making a donation to the Vancouver Poppy Fund. We would like to stress that the donation is optional. Britannia families may also be able to donate to the poppy fund through [School Cash Online](#), the system used by the school to collect school fees. Once again, please note this is completely voluntary.

2. Preparing for Quarter 2 Classes

Quarter 2 is starting on Nov 18. Teachers will be contacting students letting them know if they will be in the A (morning) or B (afternoon) sections of their Q2 courses starting next week. If students haven't heard from their teachers by Thursday, November 12th, they should contact their counsellor who can help them to understand their Q2 schedule. Students and families can also see this information on the Portal. The A or B sessions for Q2 will be updated and visible on the portal as of Tuesday, November 10th. Information for how to access the portal can be found [here](#).

We will be printing and reviewing timetables with all the grade 8 students on Friday, November 13th. Each grade 8 student will spend a few minutes with a counsellor or transition teacher to ensure they understand their schedule for Quarter 2.

3. Photo Retake Day - November 13

Photo Retake Day is on November 13th. Retakes will be available for students in both the morning and the afternoon.

4. Public Health/VCH COVID 19 Positive Case Notification Process

The Vancouver School District (VSB), in consultation with Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH), have created [this flow chart](#) of how the VCH notification process unfolds when a member of a school community is tested for COVID-19. It is for your information.

5. UBC Engineering & SALA Open House

The UBC Engineering & SALA Open House is **THIS Saturday**, November 7. They have several live presentations that all require registration. By sharing these details with your students, you can help ensure they get a spot to watch and ask questions live!

Saturday is also the one day all year that they'll have the chance to drop-in to virtual booths:

- Speak in a group or one-on-one with:
 - All 14 of our engineering programs (Vancouver), the School of Engineering (Okanagan), and the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture
 - Experiential Learning and Academic Services like Co-op, International Experiences and more!
 - Student Teams and Clubs

Students will also get access to pre-recorded Lab Tours and pre-recorded Introduction to Engineering videos.

For more information and the full schedule: engineering.ubc.ca/openhouse

6. COVID-19 Family and School Resources

[Student Daily Health Assessment form](#)

[Health and Safety Reminders](#)

VSB [COVID-19 Updates](#)

[Vancouver Coastal Health COVID-19 Information](#)

Should you have any pressing concerns or needs including food and groceries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's grade counsellor or program teacher.

7. Free Food Hampers - Monday, November 9

The Lotus Light Charity Society will be providing Free Emergency Food Hampers on Monday November 9 at 1:00 pm.

Location: Parking Lot of Pink Pearl Chinese Seafood Restaurant, 1132 Hastings E. St. Van.

Families are asked to please bring a cart and to respect our social-distancing measures on site. Thank you!

8. School Calendar of Events

Nov. 10 - Remembrance Day Assemblies

Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day - Classes not in session

Nov. 13 - Photo Retake Day

Nov. 17 - Quarter 1 Ends

Nov. 18 - Quarter 2 Begins

Nov. 24 - Quarter 1 Final Reports posted on MyEd Portal

Nov. 27 - Non-Instructional Day - Classes not in session

Britannia Full Year Calendar is found here: <http://britannia.vsb.bc.ca/homepage/Yearly%20Calendar.pdf>

Take care,

The Brit Admin