



BRITANNIA NEWS UPDATES FOR FAMILIES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th, 2020

Hello Britannia Parents and Guardians,

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1. **Report Cards**

The quarter system brings with it changes to report cards. Students will receive a mid-quarter mark half-way through each quarter, and a final grade at the end of each quarter. So they will receive eight report cards (two reports per quarter), but only two subjects per report card. Some students are taking courses all year long (Skills, ELL, Hockey). These courses will be reported on once in January and again in June. Grade 8 students will receive proficiency scales: Extending, Applying, Developing, Beginning. Grade 9 students will receive letter grades. Grade 10-12 students will receive a % and a letter grade.

2. **Grad Photos**

Grads: It's time to book your grad photo session with the photographer. Use [this link](#) to book your photo session. October 20-21 are the dates set aside for Britannia, so please book a time soon.

3. **School Fees**

[The Britannia School Fee Schedule for 2020-2021](#) has been revised due to the reduced number of times that classes are meeting this year.

Student Activities/ Student Leadership Fees remain unchanged although this fee will include the cost of providing a student agenda to each student.

Fees for lockers will not be charged as lockers will not be used this year.

Fees will not be charged for IB and Venture banquets and camps as these activities may not be occurring this year.

Grad Fees may be charged depending on the activities that will be permitted. This will be determined in the spring of 2021.

Many supplemental course fees have been reduced or eliminated. Some remain unchanged.

Deposit fees for workbooks and musical instruments remain unchanged.

Please refer to the following information sheet for directions on how to pay school fees:

[School Cash Online Step-by-Step Registration for Parents](#)

VSB Financial Hardship Policy:

The Board of Education Trustees is committed to ensuring that no school-age student will be denied an opportunity to participate in a course, class or program because of an inability to pay fees. Parents and guardians unable to pay some or all of school fee are invited to speak to their child's teacher, school counsellor, and/or the school Principal.

4. Homework Club is Open

Homework Club has RE OPENED with new Health and Safety Guidelines:

- Only 15 students allowed in room 221
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- Students come to the room and are seated at a social distance according to the arrangement of the desks of the room. Chairs and tables may NOT be moved.
- Sign in is remote via Ms Wai and Ms Simonson. Do NOT line up and sign up as usual.
- Everyone must wear a mask.
- Everyone is encouraged to wash hands or use hand sanitizer.
- You may borrow a laptop. We now have 6 new Macbook Airs, but they must stay in the rooms, and they must be sanitised after use.
- We have a new printer which prints out from our laptops, so assignments can be printed out.
- Tutoring is ONLINE only via zoom. No outside people may come to our rooms. We have tutors for Math, Science, English and Socials Studies.
- NO food is currently allowed to be served but you may bring your own food. Students who stay an hour or more will receive a \$5 gift card to Tim Hortons.(this is a temporary situation).

5. Britannia Lunch Program

For students who have registered for the Britannia Lunch Program, daily lunches and weekly lunch kits can be picked up from INSIDE the cafeteria between 10.30 am and 1.15 pm.

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.

6. Student Daily Health Assessment - Reminder

Last week we emailed home the revised Student Daily Health Assessment form. Please take the time to read through this document. The new form may be found [here](#) and a hard copy was sent home with students this week.

For more health information please refer to the [Health and Safety Reminders](#) page of the Britannia website, the [COVID-19 Updates](#) page on the VSB website and the [Vancouver Coastal Health COVID-19 Information](#) website.

7. Britannia Code of Conduct

The Britannia Student Code of Conduct may be found [here](#).

The code of conduct contains a Statement of Purpose, outlines Conduct Expectations and provides information on Consequences and Notification.

8. School Calendar of Events

Sept 25 - Pro D Day - Classes not in session

Sept 29 - Photo Day

Sept 30 - Orange Shirt Day at Brit

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

Take care,

The Brit Admin