

MAGEE SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Magee News November 8, 2019

Today, November 8th, Magee Secondary pays respect to Aboriginal veterans and survivors as part of National Aboriginal Veterans day.

There are three items in this E-bulletin! Please note: layout varies with viewing platform/device.



1. School report.

On October 31st our **Grade 12 Halloween breakfast** was organized by our counselling team under grade 12 counsellor Mrs. Pat Miladinovic's direction. Students arrived early (relatively speaking) at 7:30am and were treated to coffee/hot chocolate and a continental breakfast. After some karaoke and a talent show the kids needed to pose for a group shot ... above is a sampling of your grad class of 2020! As you can see, almost every

student was dressed up for the event- a great indicator of the spirit and camaraderie that exists among your future grads. Later in the day, at lunchtime, the Student Council arranged their annual **Halloween Fashion show**. A red carpet is rolled out and participants parade down the interior curved stairs and 'ramp'. This year, four Handmaidens and a lost Knight Templar graciously acted as judges (below); among the contestants on the right Bojack Horseman and (I think) a screaming ghost.



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Magee's **Remembrance Commemoration** assembly is an important moment to reflect on the sacredness of life. This year's ceremony, organized by Vice Principal Mr. Kelly Egilsson (grade 10/11 administrator), was more personal: Mr. Egilsson arranged a plaque commemorating the sacrifice of Magee Class of 1993 graduate Michelle Lang. Michelle was an embedded journalist in Afghanistan in 2009. While on patrol the vehicle that she was travelling in detonated a roadside bomb killing her and four Canadian soldiers. Present at the ceremony were Michelle's parents and aunt (who spoke at the grade 11/12 assembly) close friends and grads from her class,



several of Michelle's former teachers and MP Jody Wilson-Raybould. The plaque will be mounted on our Wall of Remembrance directly to the right of the entrance to the admin wing. Local media coverage of our assembly was extensive with the ceremony making most local and some national news outlets. Some of the coverage can be found at the following links:

<u>CTV News</u>, <u>CBC News</u>, <u>Vancouver</u> <u>Sun</u>, You can also listen to an interview clip at: <u>News Talk 908</u>

Above, Magee cadets, representing different branches of the Canadian Forces and St. John's ambulance service provided a colour party; the event was MC'd by Student Council President Josh Harris and VP Dionne Balmes with exquisite orchestral and choral music provided by our Strings and Wind orchestras and Choir. Thanks to all students for your engagement and respect during the ceremony, to Mr. Egilsson for your organizational work, and Mr. Haas and Mr. Quan for leading the orchestras and choir respectively.

2. Magee Senior's Tea

The Magee Music Department would like to invite all seniors of Magee families to the Annual Magee Senior's Tea. Music will be provided by the Magee Strings, Chamber Choir and Wind Ensemble. Tea, seasonal fruits and refreshments will be served and there may even be a visit from Santa!

This lovely annual event is free and all members of our senior community are welcome. This year's event will be held on:

Wednesday, December 11, 2019
Magee Atrium 1:30pm - 2:50pm (Please arrive by 1:15pm)

To help us prepare for numbers, please RSVP by December 4th by emai: mageemusicsociety@gmail.com or call Debbie in the school office at 604 713-8200 and let us know how many will be attending.

Thank you and we hope to see you there!

Magee Music Society & Magee Music Department

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3. School Events.

NOVEMBER EVENTS:

Nov.14 – McGill University 8-8:45 am

Nov.15 – Chamber Choir Invitational Festival 7 pm

Nov.19 - Sr Concert Band Festival 7 pm

Nov.20 – Canadian Math Competition / Strings Concert 7 pm

Nov.22 - End of Term I

Nov.25 - Post Secondary Info Morning 8:30-10 am

Nov.28 – Mainstage One Acts

Nov.29 – Mainstage One Acts

4. Standing Links.

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