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Magee News
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The staff of Magee Secondary wish our students and parents all the very best in the lunar New Year!!

1. Congratulations!! Canadian Champion: Amy Yang!

Congratulations go to grade 9 Magee Sparts student **Amy Shao Ning Yang** Canada's 2020 Canadian Figure Skating Championships Novice Women's Champion! This is a truly incredible achievement and Amy's success makes us all so proud!! Amy took the National title with a new Canadian Record (Total points score of 144.71)

If you would like to see Amy's performances (and they are truly exceptional and beautiful to watch please follow these links to the official link to the competition:

<https://skatecanada.ca/2020-canadian-tire-national-skating-championships/?from=timeline>

and for other video links of Amy skating please see

https://m.youku.com/video/id_XNDUxMDgwMzI3Mg==.html?x=&sharefrom=android&sharekey=f225fdd00a9dce018a7e164406674e4f8&from=message

https://m.youku.com/video/id_XNDUxMDgwNjA2OA==.html?x=&sharefrom=android&sharekey=0c9fc6159409976ac792d0b2bdce90f08&from=message

Amy's mom, Mrs. Wen ZHANG, commented in an email to Sparts administrator Mr. Kelly Egilsson:

"We want to express our great appreciation to Magee and SPARTS Program for providing a way for young athletes like Amy to balance their sporting career and academic studies. ... We are grateful that her teachers understand her situation and have given lots of support during her past absence". Well, on behalf of the Magee professional community, we are so proud of Amy and your family Mrs.



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Zhang and Mr. Yang: We thank-you for your faith and confidence in us!

2. School report: Course Planning at Magee

This is an exciting time of year where our students work with their families and counsellors to plan the course requests for the 2020-2021 school year! Please review the resources on our [course planning webpage](#), including our [course planning guide](#) and our [course code quick reference](#)!

Our counselling teams have already begun the process of meeting with students, and this will continue throughout the rest of January and into February. Please note that this year we will be using the online course request selection process via MyEdBC. In preparation, it would be a huge help if you could check in with your child and ask if s/he is able to log in to their [MyEDBC account](#). If they need help logging in, please visit the [MyEd student family portal support page](#) and/or ask your child to come to the Magee office for assistance.

For current Grade 9-11 students, counsellors will communicate the timeline of course request selection as they visit classes.

For current Grade 8 students, we will have a course planning information assembly on Wed Feb 19th, in the auditorium from 2:15pm - 3:00pm (end of 1-4 and Flex). On Thurs, Feb 20th, we will have an additional assembly for SPARTs Gr 8 students from 8:30am - 9:15am (AM Flex). Parents of current Grade 8 students are more than welcome to join us during these assemblies.

For our ELL students, we will have a course planning information assembly on Wed, Feb 25th in the library from 2:15pm-3:00pm.

If you or your child has any questions about course planning, please encourage connect with our counsellors: Grade 8 (going into Grade 9): Ms. L. Lercher (Last Names A-C), Ms. J. Liu (Last Names D-L), Mr. G. Kanavos (Last Names M-Z)

Grade 9 (going into Grade 10): Ms. J. Liu

Grade 10 (going into Grade 11): Ms. L. Lercher

Grade 11 (going into Grade 12): Mr. G. Kanavos

Grade 12 (going to post-secondary): Ms. P. Miladinovic

Course planning at Thursday's parent-teacher conferences on 13th February...

Parents (and students) are also welcome to drop by our counsellors during parent-teacher conferences to ask about course planning options. And if you are not able to come to parent-teacher interviews feel free to contact your child's counsellor and schedule an appointment to discuss course planning (or any other concern)!

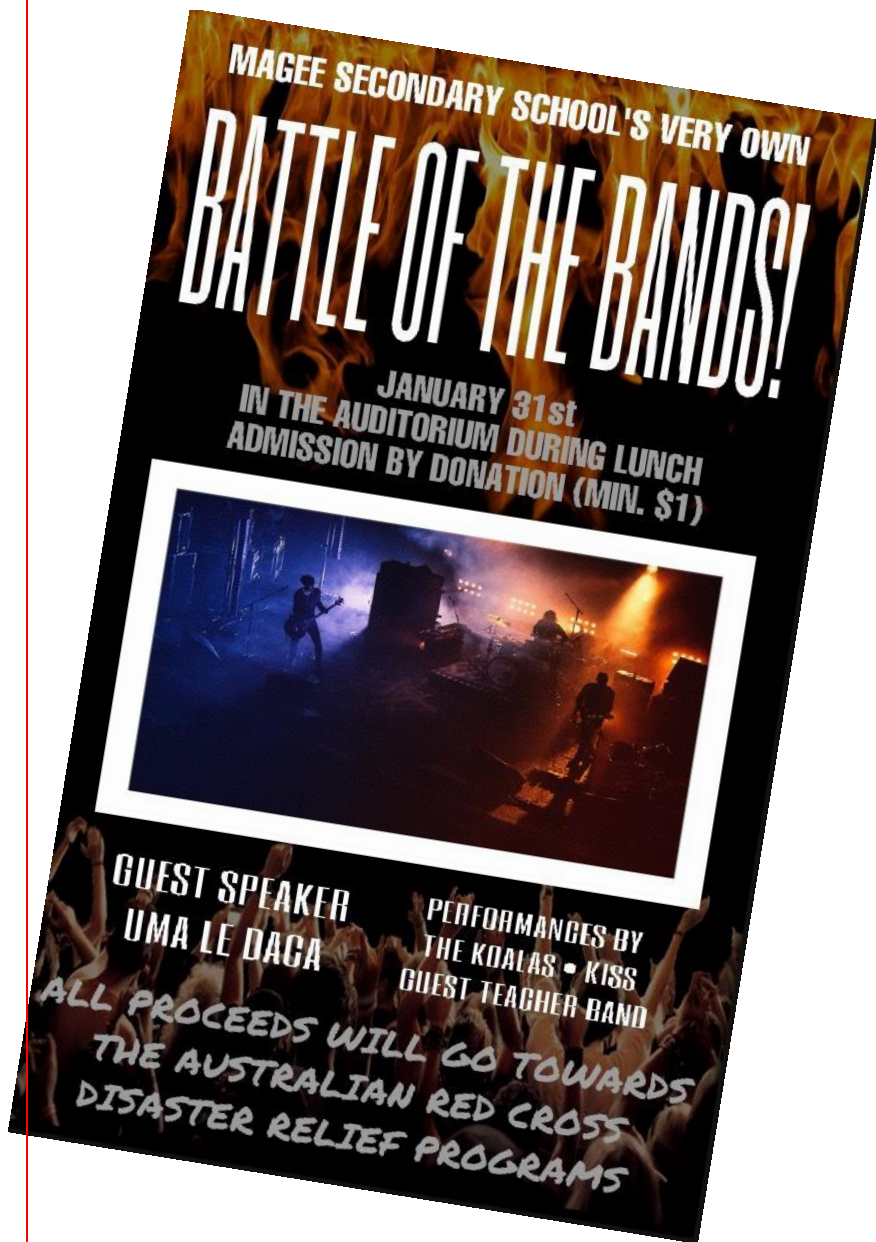
Thank you in advance for connecting with your child about their course planning!

3. PAC Meetings

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Upcoming PAC meetings: **Feb 11** (Session focus: Managing teenager stress), **April TBD**, **May 12**
For District Parent Council (DPAC) events please see: <http://vancouverdpac.org/>



4. Battle of the Bands fundraiser

Your kids are cool and here's the proof ... Last week **Monty and Angela** stopped by my office and asked if they could put on a "Battle of the Bands" fundraiser for disaster relief in Australia. This is a complete win-win from an admin point of view and off went the kids to start organizing! Angela sent me this awesome poster yesterday and she printed copies for display around the school today. Please support this fantastic student initiative and support families in Australia who have lost their homes and businesses- encourage your kids to attend the event (we want to pack the Auditorium and generate huge school spirit) *and maybe you can even match your child's donation ...?*

5. Yearbook

Magee Yearbook 2020 wishes you a fantastic 2020! The year is ½ over and it only goes faster from here! 😊

If you haven't already taken the opportunity to buy a yearbook, please do; the more copies sold, the more content that can be put in the yearbook.

Please purchase a yearbook at

<http://vsb.schoolcashionline.com> Or directly from the school office.

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6. Black History Month.

February is Black history month! The month is respected at Magee each year through book displays in our library, poster and information displays organized by our Social Studies department, and specific units focusing on aspects of Black people's history and experience in our Social Justice classes. Magee will also have a delegation attending the district anti-racism student forum on 4 February (if your child would like to attend please ask her/him/they to connect with me next week) and we will be having a Film festival organized by Mr. Bredenkamp: thank-you Shan!

7. Community event.

January 27th 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, and is the **International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust**. On this occasion, the UBC's Opera Ensemble (School of Music), the Modern European Studies Program and the Witnessing Auschwitz International Seminar are presenting a series of workshops, lectures and music performances. Some daytime events include:

Tuesday, January 28—Residential School History and Dialogue Centre, UBC

9:30 - 10:45—"In My Father's Words" – A Live Presentation by Richard K. Lowy, followed by a Film Screening of "Leo's Journey". Introduction by Dr. Ilona Shulman Spaar (VHEC)

11:00 - 12:30—"Residential schools", Dr. Tricia Logan (RSHDC);

"To the seven generations: An acknowledgment of what it means to be here", Dr. Rima Wilkes (UBC)

12:30 - 14:00—"Never forget!" Intersecting Memories of the Holocaust and Settler Colonial Genocide in Canada", Dr. Dorota Glowacka (King's College Halifax)

Wednesday, January 29—UBC Opera Old Administration Building

12:00 - 13:00—"Jews and Germans in the Early Postwar Era", Dr. Chris Friedrichs (UBC);

"SS Garrison in Auschwitz", Dr. Piotr Setkiewicz (Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum)

Thursday, January 30—Hillel House, UBC

9:30 - 10:30—"The Liquidation of the Warsaw Ghetto", Dr. Anja Nowak (UBC)

11:00 - 12.30—"Auschwitz: The Sacred Anti-Sacred. The Site: The Emblem of Evil and Its Implications for Our World", Dr. Michael Berenbaum (American Jewish University)



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH
FILM FESTIVAL

11 Feb. *Harriet*
12 Feb. *Green Book*
18 Feb. *Hidden Figures*
19 Feb. *Selma*
25 Feb. *BlackKkklansman*
26 Feb. *13th*

ALL FILMS START @ 2:30 PM IN RM. 139

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Canadian premiere of Mieczysław Weinberg's opera "The Passenger". Jan. 30, 31 & Feb. 1 at 7:30 pm;
Feb. 2 at 2:00 pm.
Chan Centre for the Performing Arts -- short introductory talks before each performance. For
information: <https://chancentre.com/events/pasazerka-the-passenger/>

Mieczysław Weinberg (1919-1996) was a Soviet Polish-Jewish composer and pianist who lost his family in the Holocaust. Written in 1960s Moscow, 'The Passenger', is based on the recollections of Polish writer, Zofia Posmysz, who was imprisoned in Auschwitz during World War II. 'The Passenger' is an opera in two acts sung in Russian, Polish, German, Yiddish, French, English, and Czech, with English surtitles.

8. Market fair!!

Dear Magee Families,

You are invited to The Annual **Magee Market Fair on Friday, February 7th from 5:30-9:00 pm**. Be sure to mark your calendars and come join the fun! This year we have a wide array of vendors including Korean cosmetics, nail designs, educational toys, electronic device accessories, plus arts and crafts.

We also have a focus on sustainability. Come check out locally made products like Japanese hand soaps and bath bombs, reusable BBT cups with stainless-steel straws, BBT cup cozies, handknit hats, and upcycled bags.

There will be lots to eat! Bubble Tea and Bubble Waffles, Fish Balls and Filipino style BBQ Pork Skewers, Sushi and Chinese Foods.

The incredible **Magee Jazz bands** will get things swinging and there will be a variety of entertainment by talented Magee students. There will be fun games and prizes to win for young kids!

Place your bid at the **Silent Auction** on Canucks tickets, acoustic guitar, ukulele, gift cards and baskets, opera tickets and more! If you want an item badly enough and can't wait till the end of the auction, we will be offering "Buy It Now" prices.

Don't forget to visit **Greyhaven Exotic Bird Sanctuary** booth and say hello to a loving, funny, incredibly flirtatious Moluccan Cockatoo Parrot who loves to sing and dance to music.

If you would like to **volunteer** at the fair or donate for the silent auction, please contact us by email:
mageemusicsociety@gmail.com

***Admission by donation (minimum \$2). Free for Seniors 65+ and Children 3 and under.

9. Attention Grade 9 Parents!

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The Career Education 9 assignment for Term 2 is now available for your child to pick up. Please support their career education this term by reminding them to pick up their assignment from Mrs. James in Room 138. Their assignment is also be available on the Career Education 9 blog at: <https://blogs.vsb.bc.ca/sjames/career-education-9-magee/assignment-2-employability-skills-due-february-3/> for your review and printing convenience. Please encourage them to pick up their assignment as soon as possible, as the due date is February 3. In addition to learning about employability skills and thinking about their own strengths and development of these fundamental skills, the Grade 9s (and 10s) will also be attending an engaging and informative presentation on digital citizenship and online privacy and safety on the morning of March 3 by the White Hatter (Darren Laur). A synopsis of the presentation is available here: <https://www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-high-school>. Many thanks to the PAC for generously funding this presentation!



[Internet Safety Grades 8-12 High School | thewhitehatter](https://www.thewhitehatter.ca/internet-safety-high-school)

Helping Students To Understand The Enabling Power Of Digital Technology While Also How To Mitigate Sometimes Unintended High Risk Undesirable Online Behaviour

www.thewhitehatter.ca

Questions and comments are always welcome - please feel free to email Ms. James at sjames@vsb.bc.ca.

10. Attention Parents of Grade 12s!!

Please remind your child of the Career Life Connections 12 (CLC12) requirement to complete at least 30 hours of Career Life Exploration. These hours must be documented through a log sheet available on the Magee Capstone webpages at the following link: <https://blogs.vsb.bc.ca/magee-clc-capstone/cle-30-hour-reqmt/>.

[CLE 30 Hour Requirement | Career Life Connections 12](https://blogs.vsb.bc.ca/magee-clc-capstone/cle-30-hour-reqmt/)

Career Life Exploration. Students must provide evidence that they have completed at least 30 hours in any of the following ways: 30 hours of volunteering in the community (this is separate from volunteering in the school); 30 hours of paid employment (please attach pay stub as proof) 30 hours of fieldwork, entrepreneurship, or projects focused on an area of deep interest.

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- 30 hours of volunteering in the community (this is separate from volunteering in the school)
- 30 hours of paid employment (please attach pay stub as proof)
- 30 hours of fieldwork, entrepreneurship, or projects focused on an area of deep interest.
- Extra 30-hours completed through their Work Experience program

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The 30 hours of exploration must be completed and log sheet submitted to the student's CLC12 teacher. The deadline is April 15, 2020 but your student can submit their completed log sheet *any time* prior to the deadline.

11. School Events.

JANUARY EVENTS:

Jan. 30 - Zone Fest Theatre 7 pm

FEBRUARY EVENTS:

Feb. 6 – American Math Competition. Grade 10/12

Feb. 7 – Spring Fair. 5:30-9:30pm. Gym.

Feb. 13 – Parent-Teacher Conferences. 3:00-6:00pm. Gym.

Feb. 14 – ProD Day

Feb. 17 – Family Day: No school!

Feb. 25 – Pascal/Cayley/Fermat Math Competitions

Feb. 27 – New York Model UN fieldtrip! Magee delegates leave for NY!!

Upcoming School Events **please also bookmark ...**

<http://go.vsb.bc.ca/schools/magee/Pages/calendar.aspx>

1. Standing Links.

[Teacher emails](#) ... if you need to set up a meeting!

VSB Webpage: Please click [here](#)

Magee School Webpage: Please click [here](#)

Magee PAC: Please click [here](#)

Magee Fundraising: Please click [here](#)

Magee Music Society: Please click [here](#)

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