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THIS WEEK AT REYNOLDS

Community Version

Week 14: December 2nd - December 6th, 2024

Saturday, November 30 th	Hot Chocolate Stand for Hope, McKenzie Parking Lot	10am – 1pm
Monday, December 2 nd		
Tuesday, December 3 rd	Candygrams for sale in the Foyer	@Lunch
Wednesday, December 4 th	Support Block Candygrams for sale in the Foyer PAC Meeting	2:05pm @Lunch 7pm in the Library
Thursday, December 5 th	Candygrams for sale in the Foyer Winter Formal	@Lunch 6:30pm in the gym
Friday, December 6 th		



Mark Your Calendars:

December 9th – December 13th Wednesday, December 11th Thursday, December 12th Friday, December 20th

Grad Photos (separate email sent about how to book)

Winter Concert # 1 (Band/Strings/Choir)
Winter Concert # 2 (Jazz Bands/Vocal Jazz)

Last day before Winter Break – Early Dismissal at 12:30pm



Vice Principal Evaluation: Ms. Kirzinger

Our Vice Principal, Ms. Kirzinger, is undergoing an evaluation this year! If you have worked with her during her time at Reynolds, it would be appreciated if you completed a <u>short survey</u> to help her with her professional growth. It should take approximately 15-30 minutes to complete. The survey is open until December 15th.

Grad Photo Buddy Sittings

Celebrate with friends at Winter Formal!

Mountain West Studios is excited to be providing group photo sessions at the upcoming Winter Formal on December 5. Each member of your group will receive a complimentary (5x7) print of the group's favourite pose. Additional poses, prints, and downloads will be available to purchase online.

The cost is \$10 per person, per group, and payment will be collected on site (cash, debit, and credit). Up to 8 people can be accommodated in a group. Appointments can be booked online with the link below.

Winter Formal Buddy/Groups - December 5, 2024
Reynolds Secondary Winter Formal Buddy Sittings

Leadership



The holiday season is here, and Leadership is excited to kick off our **Winter Collections** campaign, running from **December 3rd to December 18th**! We're coming together to support our community and spread some holiday cheer, and we need your help!

Here's how you can get involved:

- 1. **Food Drive**: We're collecting **non-perishable food items** for **Rainbow Kitchen**. Look for the donation boxes around the school and bring in any canned goods or dry foods to help those in need this holiday season.
- Sock and Mitten Tree: We're collecting warm items like socks, mittens, toques, and scarves for Our Place, for people of all ages. Please hand these items on the tree in the foyer.
- Care Packages: Help us create care packages for Our Place by bringing in a Ziplock bag filled with 10-12 personal care items like soap, toothpaste, shampoo, or deodorant. Drop your bags off in Room 33!
- 4. **Stocking Drive**: We're also collecting **small toys and art supplies** for Extreme Outreach Society. There's a class competition underway, but you can also donate individually! Donations will be accepted in the foyer on **December 9th, 10th, and 11th**.

Let's come together to make this holiday season a little brighter for those in need.

Thank you for your support!



Winter Formal 2024

Information about purchasing Winter Formal tickets and seat selection was sent to grade 12s on Friday, November 15th.

The November 15th update also included an attachment with instructions to book Grad Photos December 9th -13th.

This year, we also have a professional photographer coming to Winter Formal to take group shots. You can sign up for a spot at the same place as grad photo bookings.

We will also have school photographers and backdrops at Winter Formal.



Inclement Weather Guidelines

As the winter weather creeps in on us, here is a friendly reminder of guidelines on inclement weather days.

In the event of a school closure due to inclement weather:

- A decision to not open schools will be made by 6:00 a.m.
- The district will contact Thirdwave busing in the event of a school closure
- Appropriate messaging about school closures and busing cancellations will be updated on the District website, social media channels and local media.
- Public communication will occur by 6:30 am.

Inclement weather and schools remain open:

- Plan ahead to the best of your ability, follow the forecasts, consider alternate plans
- Dress appropriately
- Each family can decide if it is safe for their student to travel to school
- Students away from school are responsible for making up any missed work
- Travel safely walkways and parking lots may be slippery



How to stay in touch

Did you know Reynolds has an App to help communicate? Search for Reynolds Secondary on the Apple App store or Google Play Store.

Please follow us on Instagram @sd61reynolds, Facebook Page Reynolds Secondary School, and of course our website at www.reynolds.sd61.bc.ca

Greater Victoria School District (GVSD) resides on the traditional territory of the Lkwungen people. We would like to acknowledge the Songhees First Nation and the Esquimalt First Nation on whose territory we live and Work.



Hot Chocolate Stand for Hope - Magic for Maggie

CA\$6,070

Raised CA\$5,000





Thanks for visiting my fundraising page!

I'm doing this fundraiser because I'm so inspired by Maggie's story.

Maggie was the same age as me - 10 years old - when she was diagnosed with osteosarcoma, which is the same type of cancer Terry Fox had. Maggie then had to go through 18 months of treatments, including amputating her left leg. Maggie was so brave throughout her battle with cancer, and she became known as "Magic Maggie".

In February, Maggie was able to go home after 10 months of chemotherapy and surgery. She was quite happy to return back to her friends and school but sadly in the middle of April they discovered that the cancer had come back and even spread to other areas of her body including her lungs. At that point, a team from Canuck Place was added to her medical team: the outlook wasn't good, and they were the best people to help provide her a good quality of life while the oncology team tried to slow down the new cancer growths. Maggie's spring and summer were spent being a regular kid back at home, making "Victory Royale" in Fortnite with her friends.

Unfortunately, the cancer continued growing and Maggie needed to return to Vancouver in early October and be cared for at Canuck Place. For those of you who don't know, Canuck Place is a facility that provides end of life care for children. It was the first children's hospice in all of North America and it is now a world leader in providing specialized care to children at the end of their lives.

Sadly, Maggie lost her battle with cancer on October 27, just three days before her 12th birthday. Despite their sadness, Maggie's family feels so grateful to Canuck Place, as it allowed her to enjoy her final days visiting with her cousins, playing music, and doing crafts. Canuck Place allowed Maggie and her family to go through a really difficult time with comfort and peace. Every day that Maggie spent at Canuck Place was a day spent living as much as she could, including outings to the Vancouver Aquarium and retail therapy at Pacific Centre.

Canuck Place offers all of its services to families free of charge. But in order to do this, they need lots of donations to keep the program running. That's why, this year, I have chosen Canuck Place as the charity I'm fundraising for when I run the Hot Chocolate Stand for Hope. Also, I'm excited to say that any donations made between now and December 31 will be matched dollar-for-dollar, which will double your donation amount.

The Hot Chocolate Stand for Hope is being held on Saturday November 30 from 10:00 to 1:00 at the Reynolds School parking lot. I hope you will join me for some hot chocolate and cookies, and make some magic for Maggie. If you're not able to join us in person, please consider donating to my page.