



North Delta Secondary

Husky Highlights

NOVEMBER 2024

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This past month we kicked off our Breakfast program. Every Wednesday morning, staff and students volunteer their time to provide fruit, yogurt and cereal for free. As we know, you can't live a full life on an empty tummy (source unknown). Special thanks to the teachers who stepped up to get this going at ND: Ms. Boousserska, Mr. Frankson, and Ms. Fang. Stay tuned for a pancake breakfast!

We welcomed Teacher Candidates from UBC and SFU into our school. They bring excitement as they embark on their career in education.

As the colder weather in my favourite months settles in, please be mindful of sending your children to school in appropriate attire.

Wishing to all those that celebrate, the very best for Diwali!

<i>Ms. Sonia Sahota</i>	<i>Mr. Vlad Nikic</i>	<i>Mr. Bill Richards</i>
<i>Principal</i>	<i>Vice Principal</i>	<i>Vice Principal</i>

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

4 November	Diwali Celebrations at Lunch
8 November	Remembrance Day Assembly
11 November	Remembrance Day-No School
12 November	Reporting to Parents-Early Dismissal
19 November	PAC Meeting
21 November	Written Update 1
25 November	Pro-D Day-No School
27 November	One Act Play
28 November	One Act Play
29 November	Work BC Find Your Fit

We respectfully acknowledge that we live and work on the unceded and ancestral lands of the Coast Salish Peoples, specifically the shared traditional territories of the Tsawwassen, Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Tsleil-Waututh, and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) First Nations, who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

Superintendent: Doug Sheppard
A. Superintendent: Brad Bauman
Principal: Sonia Sahota
Vice Principal: Vlad Nikic
Vice Principal: Bill Richards
Office Manager: Barb Pashak
Trustee: Ammen Dhillion

Emergency Contact Information:

- kidshelpphone.ca (text 686868)
- Mental Health Crisis and Suicide Prevention Help Line 9-8-8
- Crisis Line 604-872-3311
- Suicide Help Line 1-800-784-2433
- In an emergency, dial 9-1-1 or go to your nearest hospital emergency room



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Student Supports

Breakfast Club

"We are excited to be able to offer an opportunity for a free breakfast for all students and staff in the North Delta Secondary community this year; access to food is not always a given for all folks in North Delta and we are grateful we have the chance to offer it. This also a great opportunity for our school community to gather and connect in what is otherwise a busy school day for many. We look forward to expanding the program in the future!". -Mr. Frankson, Ms. Fang, and Ms. Bousserska



ELL Homework Club

Attention: ELL Students!!!

Looking for a quiet place to study, and get some extra support...? Well, look no further than the Homework Club!! Students can seek academic support from their peers, or practice their language skills by engaging with others. Snacks are provided! The Homework Club meets in Room 1110 every Wednesday, from 3:00-4:00pm afterschool. See you there!!!

East End Boys Club

This is the second year that ND is partnering with the East End Boys Club to offer a space for students to connect, learn from one another, and be inspired by community leaders. Thank you to Jim Cresenzo, Mr. Pinton, Mr. Rivera, Ms. Blouin, and Mr. Grewal for your





Laadliyan

NDSS is proud to be the first BC school to support the Born to Rise program. Through this program we hope to support our female South Asian youth and provide them with opportunities to achieve success. Please visit www.laadliyan.org for more information.

If you have questions, please reach out to Ms. Sahota as she is on the BC Advisory group for the expansion out west.



Ikjot Sandhu, our CYCW, offers her thoughts:

“There is a significant need for programs like this throughout the Lower Mainland, and I am delighted that North Delta Secondary is one of the first schools to pilot this initiative in BC. Laadliyan creates a supportive environment for our girls, enabling them to discuss the challenges they encounter within the community while fostering self-development and connecting them with role models relevant to their career aspirations and goals”.

Gurbani Rajput, grade 12:

My experience within the Laadliyan group, has been great so far. Although I’ve only attended one session, I find myself deeply interested in wanting to enhance my skills as I learn more about myself, especially, as a grade 12 student who is interested in pursuing a career in social work and law enforcement, I believe this is a great program to work on self-development and build connections. I am thrilled to be given this opportunity to get involved with such talented and leading mentors.

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Profile of the Month

This month we profile Constable Kalkat, DPD. Cst. Kalkat is in the High Risk Youth Team. She has been with DPD for 3 years and has enjoyed a career in law enforcement for the past 6 years. You may not know this but Cst. Kalkat would have become a teacher if she wasn't a Police Officer. She is also a strong supporter of Laadliyan and is on the Advisory group.



Remembrance Day November 8th at NDSS

You are welcome to join us on November 8th as we come together to honour Remembrance Day. Last year we were priviledged to have veterans join us. Please consider coming to our annual assembly.





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Club Fair at NDSS

We had a Club Fair at NDSS to showcase all the great student clubs offered at NDSS!



BOOK CLUB



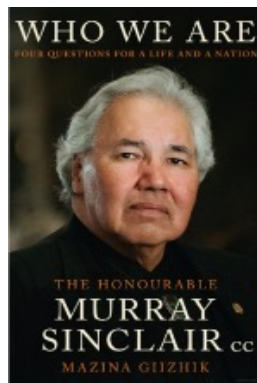
Read A Good Book Lately?

A colleague recently recommended this book to me. I have not read it but am looking forward to it based on this description found online:

Named a Book to Read This Fall by CBC Books

Judge, senator, and activist. Father, grandfather, and friend. This is Murray Sinclair's story—and the story of a nation—in his own words, an oral history that forgoes the trappings of the traditionally written memoir to center Indigenous ways of knowledge and storytelling. As Canada moves forward into the future of Reconciliation, one of its greatest leaders guides us to ask the most important and difficult question we can ask of ourselves: Who are we?

Submitted by Ms. Sahota



Listened to a Good Podcast Lately?

If you have a recommendation for a Podcast, please share with us. We recognize that the Podcasts these days are full of valuable learning,





Messages from the District

National Society of High School Scholars

It has been brought to our attention that some high school students are receiving emails inviting them to join the National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) for a fee and they are wondering whether it is a scam. While we do not believe these emails to be malicious, we highly recommend that students review the organization's services carefully to determine whether membership would be of value to them. Please remind students that the school's Career and Post Secondary Advisor is available to provide free careers advice and resources, including information on scholarships. Students and their families can also visit: <https://deltalearns.ca/careers>

Extended Absences

Over the course of a school year, students may be absent for short periods of time for a variety of reasons. Extended absences, for reasons other than student health, should be carefully considered by families. To ensure that our students miss as little time as possible from school, we ask for parents' cooperation in scheduling family holidays outside of school time.

Schools are not in a position to approve or deny permission for student absences for family holidays or other extended absences. This decision lies with the parent/guardian. Please do inform the office and teachers in advance of the absence so they are aware. Should parents wish to remove their child from school for a lengthy period of time, consideration should be given to the implication this may have to their child's education. Important learning is missed by students during any absence which puts them at a disadvantage compared with those in regular attendance.

Should a family decide to remove their child for an extended vacation absence, the school is not required to provide educational materials. Being present and engaged in the school setting goes beyond the materials provided. Teachers are not able to replicate the school experience by providing homework. Please note that teachers are not obliged to provide learning materials or assignments during an extended vacation absence. Should a student be absent for a significant period of time and therefore is not able to demonstrate the learning outcomes for a particular course, it may not be possible to provide an appropriate proficiency scale or letter grade for their courses, which may result in the child not being successful in course completion.