



PARKLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

An Innovative, Inspiring, Inclusive Learning Community



Sept 15 - Sept 19, 2025

Bus Passes: These have arrived! Students that have registered for the bus are able to now pick up their bus passes at the front office with Mrs. Spears.

Cafeteria: Officially open on Sept 15th! You may purchase Munch a Lunch cards [online here](#) or with Mrs. Bennett in the school office.

Bamfield Marine Science Centre field trip, Nov 6-8, 2025. If you're interested in an immersive, hands-on marine biology experience, this trip is for you! Field trip forms are available from Ms. Stinson and due back by late September.

GRAD

Grad sessions are now available to book! Please view the following link: <https://artona.com/bookings>. You can also read more about how the [deposit](#) works and how to [prepare](#) for your session.

Grad sessions will be by appointment: Wednesday, **October 8, 2025** - Friday, **October 10, 2025**

Artona is offering a Grad Ambassador Program. If you want to be involved, you can apply directly from within the link below. Applicants should apply by September 30th.

<https://www.blog.artona.com/post/ambassador-program>

PARKLAND COMMUNITY

Clubs Day is upon us again! September 15th (Monday) at lunch.

ATHLETICS

Sr Boys Soccer there is one final try out on Tuesday, Sept 16th after school.

Cross Country will be Tues and Fri after school.

Volleyball Schedule is below:

Monday Jr Girls & Sr. Girls 3:15-5:15 pm, Sr. Boys 6:30-8:30

Tuesday Jr Boys & Girls 3:15-5:15 pm

Wednesday Sr. Girls 2-4

Thursday Sr Girls & Jr. Boys 3:15-5:15, Sr. Boys 6:30-8:30

Friday Gr 10 Girls VB 2-4 pm

CAREER CENTRE

Have a job? Want a job? Earn credits while you work! See Ms. Beaucamp in the Career Centre **before September 20th** for more information on Work Experience.

COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

The Canadian University Event is coming to SD 63 on Sept 23rd. This year it will be hosted by Stelly's. The CUE is a fair style event featuring representatives from universities all across Canada. It is a great opportunity for students in grades 11 and 12 to learn about universities and programs across Canada and ask questions of the representatives. We will be taking a bus there in block 3. Field trip forms are available in the counselling area. Please contact: Ms. Anderson, wanderson@saanischools.ca, with questions.

Family Smart offers parent peer support, online resources, workshops and training for parents to support youth mental health: <https://familysmart.ca/>

Every month, we host online events for parents & caregivers who are parenting a child or youth with a mental health and/or substance use challenge called "in the know." We watch a video and share experiences and strategies that help in the hard moments and focus on strengthening our understanding and connection with our kids.

Topic for September: **Emotion Regulation.**

Big feelings can be tough for kids and parents. Join us to learn practical ways to support emotional regulation with Registered Clinical Counsellor, Nicole Allen. Meeting dates:

Sept 18 6:30 - 8:00

Sept 23 6:30 - 8:00

Sept 24 12:00 - 1:30

[Join us online. It's free.](#)

CROSS COUNTRY

If you are interested in running, please come see Ms. Dibblee in the PE office or send her an email at: kdibblee@saanichschools.ca

LIBRARY

No updates this week.

PAC

Meeting on Monday, September 15th at 7:00pm in the learning commons.

PERFORMING ARTS

No news yet. Stay tuned!

ROWING

No updates this week.

SAILING

There will be a lunchtime meeting on Friday, September 19th in room 112 for all Sailing Academy students registered for Fall sailing. We will hand out the Academy sailing shirts and go over any questions you may have before our first practice, which is Sunday, Sept 21 at Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club.

WATERLOO MATH CONTESTS

If any students are interested in writing a University of Waterloo Math Contest this year, please get in touch with Mr. Burnham. You can find him in his classroom, Room 103, or email him at dburnham@saanichschools.ca with your name and which grade you are in. Grade 9-11 contests take place in February and Grade 12 contests take place in November and April.

General Reminders

Student drop off: Just a friendly reminder that the student drop off zone is located in our parking lot closest to the tennis courts. The parking spots directly in front of the main entrance are required for those requiring accessible access to the school and for those visiting Parkland. Numbered parking spots are reserved for staff and students in the building. Thank you for your understanding.

Financial Hardship: Please let me (jearnshaw@saanichschools.ca) know if there are challenges paying for school fees (more info about fees to come later) and/or acquiring school supplies. This information will be kept confidential and we will work together to ensure students have what they need to learn. Information about school food programs will also come out soon.

Student Parking: For grade 11 and 12 students that will be driving to school, you are required to register your vehicle at the front office and fill out a Student Parking Application form. Students are expected to park in the lot near the tennis courts. If you had filled out a Student Parking Application form for last year, you need to fill out a new one at the front office for this school year as well.

IMPORTANT DATES *at a glance !*

- **Sept 15** - Cafeteria officially open (will be open for small snacks starting Sept 8th)
- **Sept 22** - Non-Instructional Day (students not in session)
- **Sept 30** - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation & Orange Shirt Day (Stat - no school)
- **Oct 8-10** - Grad Photos by appointment only
- **Oct 9** - Grad parent info night 6pm - virtual MS Teams
- **Oct 13** - Thanksgiving Day - no school
- **Oct 21** - Photo retakes - afternoon
- **Oct 24** - Non-Instructional Day
- **Nov 10** - Remembrance Day Assembly
- **Nov 11** - Remembrance Day - no school
- **Nov 17** - Term 2 starts
- **Nov 20** - Early dismissal 2:00pm & report cards available after 4pm
- **Nov 21** - Non-Instructional Day
- **Nov 27** - Parent / Teacher Interviews 5:00-7:00pm - appointment only
- **Nov 28** - PSBC 11:45-1:15
- **Dec 4** - Grad Winter Social 6:00-10:00pm
- **Dec 22 - Jan 2** - Winter Break !