



Georges P. Vanier
Secondary School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, April 30th, 2024

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NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **TODAY AT LUNCH in room 160: Ciao! Want to visit Italy?** Create international friendships? See ancient and cultural sites? Travel? Show off our beautiful island and area?!!!! We will be hosting Italian students in September of 2025. Vanier students will be travelling to Italy, including Verbania, Rome, Florence and Venice during Spring Break 2026. Open to current grade 8, 9, 10 students at Vanier.
- * **There will be a French Cafe on Thursday** in the school store near the vending machines in the Caf. Bring some money to order croissants, baguettes and brownies in French (prompt sheets provided for those who want to order!)
- * **The Teradata Corporation is accepting applications from now until May 30, 2024 for the Diversity in Tech Scholarship Program.** Up to 6 \$2500 awards will be granted and may be renewed for up to three additional years. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/teradata/>
- * **GRASP training will be held on Friday, May 3rd all day.** Learn valuable tools to help yourself and others cope in times of crisis. Students must register ahead of time – come to the counselling office for more details. Lunch will be provided. 😊

CLUBS/MEETINGS/PRACTICES/TRYOUTS TODAY

Group/Activity/Event	Time	Where
Mountain Bike Team meeting	Lunch	Port 806
QSA / GSA	Lunch	111
Italy Exchange information meeting	Lunch	160
Weightlifting	3:10 pm	Weight room
Boys rugby	3:15 pm	Lower field
Girls Soccer	3:15 pm	Turf

EXTRA CURRICULAR/CLUBS

- * **Rotary Interact:** Mondays at Lunch in Room 192
- * **Weightlifting:** Mon-Thurs after school in the weight room
- * **Rugby (girls):** Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 3:15 – 4:45 pm
- * **Rugby (boys):** Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15 – 4:45 pm
- * **Golf club:** Mon & Thurs after school at Sunnyside. Meet in room 131 after school
- * **Track and Field:** Mon & Thurs 3:15 on the track
- * **Dungeons & Dragons:** Mon & Thurs after school in the Art room
- * **Improv:** Mon & Thurs after school in Room 181

- * **Girls Soccer:** Tues/Thurs 3:15 pm on the Turf
- * **Mountain Bike team:** Tuesdays at lunch in portable 806
- * **Queer Support Alliance:** Tuesdays at Lunch in Room 111
- * **Neurodiversity Club:** Wednesdays at Lunch in the Counselling centre
- * **French club/French café –** Thursdays at Lunch in Room 110
- * **Culture Club:** Thursdays at Lunch in Room 133
- * **Cross Country Running:** Thursdays at 3:20 meet in Room 161
- * **Mental Health Advocacy Club:** Thursdays at Lunch in the Counselling centre
- * **Garden Club:** Thursdays after school in the Options room
- * **Homework Club:** Thursdays 3:15 – 4:15 in the Access Centre
- * **Environment Club:** Fridays at Lunch in Room 146

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

- * **Culture Club will meet at lunch in room 133 on Thursdays.** Everyone is welcome.

VOLUNTEER/CAREERS

- * **Miracle Beach Fun Fair is looking for volunteers** on May 31, 2024 come to the careers office to sign up.
- * **University of Victoria Campus Tour: May 9th – 7 am** departure from Vanier, 1:45 pm leaving Victoria. Sign up in the Careers office.
- * **Union Bay Historical Society is looking for a summer full time employee** see the careers office for more information.
- * **Islander Pizza is looking for part time employees** - see the careers office for more information.
- * **To the Rescue Lifeguard Program is starting soon** - see the careers office for more information.
- * **Ichiban Sushi** is looking for part time servers for a couple days a week. Please drop your resume off in person to COA (manager) at 932 Fitzgerald Ave.
- * **Camosun College Tour opportunity! Weds May 15th, 7 am – 5 pm.** You will be touring both the Interurban and Lansdowne campuses. See the careers office for more information or to sign up.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- * **New scholarship alert! The [Rick & Amanda Hansen Scholarship for Youth with Disabilities](#).** (click this link to apply) These scholarships provide financial support to Canadian youth with disabilities looking to complete a 1- to 4-year post-secondary program. Funding of up to \$40,000 is available. Applications for the 2023-24 school year are now open until May 31st, 2024. Up to 3 scholarships are available this year.
Please see links to a [promotional poster](#) and [3-page scholarship guidelines document](#).
- * **NEW BURSARY! Attention Grade 12 students pursuing post-secondary education in the Healthcare field.** The Auxiliary Society for Comox Valley Healthcare is offering a \$2000.00 bursary for 2023/24 graduates. Come to the counselling office to pick up an application. Due by May 31, 2024. **The BC School Sports Scholarship Package is now available** and can be found on the BCSS website with this [link](#). The application deadline is **May 3, 2024**. Up to \$14,000 will be awarded to student athletes this year!
- * [Scholarshipscanada.com](https://www.scholarshipscanada.com) is a free website with an extensive scholarship and bursary database. You will be matched to scholarships and bursaries that you are eligible to apply for once you create an account.
- * [ScholarTree.ca](https://www.scholarstree.ca) is a website that helps students find all the scholarships they qualify for in minutes. It's super easy to get started: 1. Create an account at <https://ScholarTree.ca> 2. Fill out your information and get matched to a list of scholarships you're eligible for 3. Start applying.
- * **TD Scholarship information** (Community Leadership Scholarships and Indigenous Student Scholarships)
<https://www.td.com/ca/en/personal-banking/solutions/student-banking/community-leadership-scholarship-for-canadians>

<https://www.td.com/ca/en/personal-banking/solutions/student-advice/indigenous-student-scholarships-grants-and-bursaries>

- * **The Vanier Scholarship, Bursary & Student Loan Newsletter** is available on our school website for grade 12 students who are starting to research ways to pay for their post-secondary education.

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/gp-vanier-secondary/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2023/09/Scholarship-and-Bursary-Newsletter-2023-2024.pdf>

OLDER NEWS

- * **Grad BBQ Tickets are now available for purchase at the office.** Tickets are \$5 per person, including graduates.
- * **UVic is still accepting undergraduate applications for September 2024 for most programs.** Students can check the [EducationPlannerBC website](#) to confirm whether their program of interest is still open and should apply as soon as possible.
- * **We will be offering an additional opportunity for students to attend Homework Club to support their learning.** In addition to every Thursday after school, Homework Club will now be available Mondays after school in the Access Center/ Learning Support Classroom.
Program runs from 3:15 – 4:15 on Mondays and Thursdays.
There is a late bus at 4:50 pm on Mondays and Thursdays.
- * **There are freezies on sale every Friday at lunch** in the cafeteria and outside in the bus loop for \$1 each.
- * **Donations WANTED. Help the Environment club help baby wildlife at MARS this winter** by donating clean newspaper, gently used towels and bed sheets. Drop your donations off in room 146 @ lunch. Cash donations always accepted for the wildlife hospital.
- * **Food bag Friday's for students!** If extra groceries would help your family out over the weekend, please come to the counselling centre every Friday during last block or right after school to get a bag to take with you.
- * **The Youth Clinic (student nurse)** will run twice a month on Tuesdays 11:30 – 1:30 pm in the counselling centre. You can drop in or book an appointment in advance.
- * **Please note that we are not supplying students with disposable cups or utensils this year.** Please plan accordingly.