



Georges P. Vanier
Secondary School

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024
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Courtenay
British Columbia



Terry Fox Day!

Adjusted times for morning blocks:

9:05 – 10 am – B Block

10:05 A Block starts

Terry Fox Assemblies:

Assembly 1 – Gr 8-10, 10:40 – 11 am

(return to class after assembly)

Assembly 2 – Gr 11-12, 11 - 11:20 am

(leave assembly for run)

Entire school run begins 11:20-11:50 am

Lunch and PM back to regular schedule

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **Vanier's 25th annual Terry Fox Run is happening TODAY!**
 - The class that brings in the most donations get a pizza party!
 - Individual prizes for top fundraisers provided by Happy's Source for Sports, Long & McQuade's & Ski Tak Hut!
 - Our school goal is **\$1,500**
 - Remember to wear **NEON!**
 - McDonalds coupons for runners and the end of the race!
 - BBQ happening outside after the run (caf closed that day) & Volleyball teams playing during lunch - come on out!

- * **There will be a Grad meeting Thursday, Oct 3rd in C block in the MPR.** Be there to ask your questions and learn about what must happen to earn your spot on the stage!

- * **The wrestling season is fast approaching, and the district team is beginning our recruiting.** We will be hosting an information session for parents of all returning and newly interested athletes. The meeting will take place this **Thursday, October 3 at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria at G.P. Vanier.** Any student in grade 8-12 is welcome.

- * **1st Meeting of the GP Vanier Environment club** this Friday, October 4th @ lunch in Room 12. Be prepared to go outside. New members welcome.

- * **UVIC Gustavson School of Business will be hosting an info booth** outside of the library during lunch on Oct 8th.

- * **New date! Wednesday Oct 9th will be the first French/Spanish café!** Request a hot chocolate with a twist in French or Spanish. \$1 per hot chocolate. Location TBD.

- * **There will be open gym shootaround for girls in gr 10-12** on Wednesday Oct 9 from 5-7pm.

- * **Photo retakes will be on Tuesday, October 22.**

- * **Girls to the Power of Math is looking for female math mentors interested in volunteering** their time to teach elementary school girls in Grades 2 to 4. The program runs every Wednesday from 3:30 - 4:30 pm at Huband Park Elementary from Oct 30 - Dec 18. For more information please contact the Career Centre.

* **Are you a grade 10-12 student who is interested in a career in medicine, pharmacy, veterinary medicine or other health sciences?** North Island College’s Island Pre-Health Science program will be here on Wednesday, October 9th at the lunch hour in the library to provide an information session on the program. This info session will answer questions about requirements, educational pathways, the benefits of the program, and more.

* The **Grad Attire program** welcomes all grade 12 students in Comox Valley Schools to have the opportunity to wear a gown or suit on graduation day without the financial burden of purchasing a brand-new outfit for their milestone event.

The Grad Attire program will operate out of Comox Valley Dodge at 278 North Island Highway (Old Canadian Tire building) on the following dates from 10:00am-3:00pm:

- Saturday, November 2nd
- Saturday, November 23rd
- Saturday, January 18th
- Saturday, February 8th
- Saturday, March 8th
- Saturday, April 12th
- Saturday, May 10th

You can book a fitting appointment using the following [link](https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/grad-attire-program/). <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/grad-attire-program/>

CLUBS/MEETINGS/PRACTICES/TRYOUTS TODAY

Group/Activity/Event	Time	Where
Vanier Choir	Lunch	Music room
Weightlifting	3:10 pm	Weight room
Disc Golf	3:15 pm	162
Gr 8/Junior Boys Volleyball	3:20 pm	Gym
Jr Girls Volleyball	3:20 pm	Gym
Open Gym Basketball	7:00 pm	Gym

VOLUNTEER/CAREERS

- * **Are you seeking training in behavior support, role play and or outdoor play?** Come to the careers office for more information.
- * **There are seats available for first aid course** which will run Oct 3, 2024. Must be 15+. Sign up in the careers office!
- * **Any students that signed up for the work experience course (during the summer)** please come to the careers office. **YOU NEED TO COME CHECK IN ! 😊**
- * **Any students interested in health care and wanting to volunteer at Glacier View Lodge** see the careers office for the application.
- * **Health Sciences Careers – Learn about some of the little-known careers in health care.** Wednesday, October 2 2:15 – 3:30 pm. Register online at www.bcit.ca/event/bcit-health-sciences-careers/ see the careers department for more information.

- * **Online digital marketing course will begin October 29, 2024** if you are interested in taking the course come sign up in the careers office. Deadline to register is [Oct 22, 2024](#).

SCHOLARSHIPS

- * **Schulich Leader Scholarships** are the largest and most prestigious undergraduate STEM scholarships in Canada, with a value up to \$120,000 per award. These scholarships are open to all Canadian High Schools with graduates planning to pursue STEM programs. For more information please see <https://schulichleaders.com/apply/>
- * **Applications for the 2025 Loran Award are now open!** We are thrilled to announce that once again this year we are offering as many as **36 Loran Awards** to graduating high school and CEGEP students entering university in the Fall of 2025 who demonstrate **strength of character, a deep commitment to service, and intrinsic leadership potential**. We are accepting applications from now until **Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024 at 8 p.m. ET**. Students may now access our online application system at apply.loranscholar.ca. They can also view the [sample application form](#).
- * 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 is a website that helps students find all the scholarships they qualify for within 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.
- * **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>
- * **The RE/MAX Quest for Excellence® scholarship program is now accepting essay submission until March 9, 2025.** RE/MAX is pleased to offer 40 scholarships of \$1000 each to students across Canada (except for Quebec). To apply, eligible students are invited to write and submit an online essay up to 500 words in length. Essays must be submitted before March 9th, 2025. For essay questions and more information see: rem.ax/questforexcellence
- * **TD Canada Trust Leadership Scholarships:** Are you a student in your final year of high school? Have you shown a commitment to making a positive difference in your community? You may be eligible for a TD Scholarship for Community Leadership valued at up to \$70,000 over 4 years toward a post-secondary college or university education.

Apply online between September 4 and November 13, 2024. <https://www.td.com/ca/en/personal-banking/solutions/studentbanking/community-leadership-scholarship-for-canadians>

OLDER NEWS

- * **The Vanier Clothing Online Store is now open!** <https://gpvanier.itemorder.com/shop/sale/> Accepting offers until November 15th with deliveries coming in early December.
- * **The Vanier late bus runs Mon/Thurs** leaving Vanier at 4:45 pm.
- * **Homework Club** runs Mon/Thurs 3:15 – 4:15 pm weekly.
- * **We do not supply disposable water cups or utensils.** Please come to school prepared and remember to bring your water bottle.