



# February

## MARK ISFELD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feb 23, 2026

TODAY'S BLOCKS: Day 1 ABCD

This Friday's schedule: Day 2 GHEF Flex

### NEW!

For important but "previously run" current events and reminders, be sure to check the re-runs and items below:

**Grade 9s** – Please return your vaccination package/forms to the office counter. Vaccinations will be happening on **March 10**.

**Lunar New Year Celebration** in the front foyer at lunch today. International snacks by donation, interactive games, and a chance to win prizes! Visit the booth to learn more about this important cultural event!

**Choir** – at lunch today.

**Improv** – after school today on the Stage.

**Interact Exec** – meeting today at lunch in the Seminar Room. Anyone welcome.

**Environment Club** is meeting today at lunch in Ms. Beckett's room (201). Everyone is welcome to join us.

**Chess Tournament** - could all those who signed up for the Chess Tournament please meet in room 305 at the start of lunch today.

**Waterloo math contest (grades 9-11)**: For those who signed up, a reminder that the contest will be this Thursday, February 26 from 11:15am until 12:15 in room 304. For extra practice contests see Ms Welbourn in room 304.

**Congratulations to the Grade 8 boys basketball team** who have ended their season undefeated last Friday by beating ADSS in the final of the Year End tournament in Port Alberni.

**Congratulations to our District Wrestlers!** It was an exciting weekend. Oscar Stehura participated in the Gr. 8/9 Junior Provincial Tournament where he went undefeated in 4 matches to win Gold in his division (He was positively dominant in all of his matches). Nathan Malouin, Hugh Hyndman, Max Dawson and Riel Masuda also wrestled hard, they are all incredible athletes. They represented their school honourably with respect for their opponents and good citizenship in the community. All the coaches are very proud and honoured to work with these excellent student athletes. Well done!

**Sports Leadership** - meeting today at lunch in room 510.

**All students going to UVic MUN this Friday** - make sure to pick up and hand in your permission forms to either Ms. Beckett or Ms. Mather.

**BeetleJuice the Musical** – tickets are on sale now for the District Musical happening at Vanier Mar 10-14 at 7pm, and March 14 at 2pm. Hurry before it sells out. You can purchase tickets using the QR code posted on the information board or using the link [here](#).

**Congrats to all who participated in Humanities Week!** The raffle ticket winners are:

Grade 8- Eloise N, TA 42

Grade 9- Arriana H, TA 36

Grade 10- Beau D, TA 6

Grade 11- Madeleine McD, TA 23

Grade 12- Galix F, TA 29

Please go to the office to collect your candy jar!

In TA 7, Lilah E. won the draw for entries with the highest amount of correct answers for searching through the Careers posters! In TA 41, Alice R. wins for creative sentences from The Dictionary of Obscure Sorrows. Thanks to everyone who participated in these events!

## SPORTS!

**Badminton Intramurals** - this is the last week of badminton intramurals. Grade 10-12s will play on Tuesday at lunch, and Grade 9s will play both Wednesday and Thursday at lunch.

**Jnr Girls Soccer** – tryouts today on the Valleyview fields after school.

**Snr Girls Soccer** – there will be a tryout tomorrow after school from 3:30-5pm.

**Girls Rugby** - practices will be Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30-5:00 on the lower Isfeld field. All new players Grade 8-12 are welcome to join, all you need are cleats and warm clothes to try it out. See Mr. Mills in the office if you have any questions.

## RERUNS

**Did you know you can become a doctor on Vancouver Island?** There will be a free Zoom meeting on **March 4** 6:30-8:30 hosted by UBC admissions coordinators. Find out details about the program and its admissions process, what it takes to become a doctor and what it's like studying medicine on Vancouver Island. Register [here](#).

**Join the Thunderball Basketball program!** We're seeking high school students (grades 8-12) to coach grade 4/5 basketball players this Spring at Isfeld Secondary. Visit Mr. Tobacco in the PE office to sign up and learn more. This is a fantastic opportunity to earn volunteer and work experience hours.

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**Power the future** - explore careers that drive sustainability and innovation! Love science, problem-solving, and the outdoors? Explore the real-world impact of a career in geoscience and hear directly from professionals working in industry, academia, and government. The event is happening **Feb 26**, 6-7pm online. Register [here](#).

**All Grade 12's! BC Hydro Power Pioneers Community Service Awards** - The BC Hydro Power Pioneers annual Community Service Awards recognize students who dedicate a significant amount of their time and energy to volunteering in their local communities. There are up to twenty \$500 awards available to students in British Columbia. Please see Ms. Buckle or Mrs. Williams for more info or check out the Isfeld Bursary and Scholarship Calendar on the Mark Isfeld webpage for application and deadline.

**The Youth Excellence Society (YES)** – has summer camp registration open for 14-18 year olds. Expand your leadership and team building skills while connecting with youth from around the province. For more info or to register, go [here](#).

**Cabane à Sucre** – this year's event at l'Ecole Au-coeur-de-l'île is happening on **March 7**, doors open at 4:30pm, food will be served at 5pm. The Isfeld office is selling tickets for \$10 each. A great French Canadian experience for the whole family!

**The UBC Faculty of Forestry** is excited to share details about our upcoming monthly information sessions for the new school year. Upcoming sessions: **Mar 12** (featuring a student panel). Students can [register here](#). These sessions are designed for high school students who are curious about the environment, sustainability, and the great outdoors. Participants will hear directly from our undergraduate advisors and have the chance to ask questions in an open, welcoming setting. Parents and educators are also encouraged to attend.

**Rise and Shine - Tools for Mental and Emotional Wellness** - Rise and Shine is a wellness program for girls and gender diverse youth ages 15-24. This program contains 5 workshops designed to help youth develop essential skills to nurture their mental and emotional health and walk away with valuable and practical tools for navigating their resilience and building their confidence. Applications close **March 13th!** Register [here](#).

**Learning to Lead - Spring Applications now Open!** Learning to Lead is a leadership opportunity open to self-identified girls in Grades 10-12. Participants gain confidence through interactive workshops and activities within a fun and supportive community of friends and mentors. Applications close **April 3rd!** Register [here](#).

**Kidovate opportunity** - Kidovate fosters future-ready skills, building innovativeness, creativity, confidence, resilience, and business know-how. Students can “try-on” entrepreneurship in a fun, supportive environment, earn money, build their resume, and choose to donate part of their proceeds to a charity of their choice. Saturday, **April 18<sup>th</sup>** 10-4pm. Nanaimo North Town Centre. Find out more [here](#).

## CAREER CENTRE/WORK EXPERIENCE/VOLUNTEERING

**NEW Sampler opportunity** - are you interested in the health care field? Then the **Health Explore Program** is for you. Gain some real-life experience in hospital, speak to health care professionals in this semester long program. For more information come to the careers office.

**Become a Baseball Umpire in 2026** - make some money on evenings and weekends. Be in charge. Learn the game of Baseball. We are looking for responsible, eager grade 6-12 students (and adults) to become umpires. Registration is now open for the 2026 season ([BCBUA Registration | BC BASEBALL UMPIRES ASSOCIATION](#)). Contact Nick Moore at [ncmoore4@shaw.ca](mailto:ncmoore4@shaw.ca) for more information. He will forward you all the information you need to get started.

## BURSARIES/SCHOLARSHIPS

**Horatio Alger Association Scholarship** – valued at \$25,000, this scholarship is offered to help students overcome financial barriers and achieve their post secondary goals. Eligible students must come from a household with income under \$80,000, demonstrate resilience in the face of adversity and show a commitment to giving back to their community. This opportunity is exclusively open to Grade 11 students. Apply by **March 31, 2026**. Apply [here](#).

**Grads!** Time to apply for **Bursaries and Scholarships!** ScholarTree has shared a list of scholarships currently available and that are available to apply for over now. There are over 1,200 awards totaling over \$5,600,000.00!! [Click here to check out the list](#) Or you can find more information under our Grad – Scholarship Deadlines Calendar.

## GRAD

**Grade 12s** – reminder that the Bursary deadline is **Friday, March 6 at 3pm**. Support is available during Flex every Friday until then, in Student Services. Don't miss out on free money for your post secondary schooling.

Get your **30 hours** in if you haven't already!

**Grad Attire Program** – the program will operate out of Comox Valley Dodge at 278 North Island Highway (Old Canadian Tire building) on the following dates: Monday, Feb 23rd 3:30-5:45pm, Saturday, Mar 14th 10am-3:15pm, Monday, Mar 16th 3:30-5-45pm, Saturday, Apr 18th 10am-3:15pm. You can **book a fitting appointment** using the following [link](https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/grad-attire-program/). <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/grad-attire-program/>