



**CARSON GRAHAM  
SECONDARY**

Friday, October 25, 2024

Hello Carson Graham Families,

We hope this email finds you well. As the fall colors paint a beautiful backdrop around Carson, the energy and learning on campus is in full swing.

Next week we are excited to welcome a team of IB evaluators to Carson for the IB Continuum Evaluation, which happens every five years. This is a special moment for us, as it marks the first IB continuum evaluation in a public school system.

Meanwhile, fall sports are heating up with playoffs and Zones on the horizon, and our Drama department is getting into the season's spirit with a spooky haunted house planned for Monday.

Today's newsletter contains information on:

1. Upcoming dates
2. Graduation assessments – grade 10 & 12s
3. Halloween safety
4. Learning conferences
5. Grade 12 information
6. Student opportunities
7. Parent and guardian opportunities

Sincerely,

Kim Jonat, Principal

Dave Cadman, Vice Principal

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## 1. Upcoming Dates

### October 28 to November 11

Oct. 28 to 30	IB Evaluation Visit
Tuesday, Oct. 29	Halloween music concert Learning conferences – first booking window closes (Oct 23-29)
Wednesday, Oct. 30	VCH gr. 9 immunizations Late start – first class begins at 9:50am Learning conferences – second booking window opens at 8am
Thursday, Oct. 31	Halloween; costume contest at lunch
Friday, Nov. 1	Literacy 12 Assessment for IB Diploma students Diwali
Monday, Nov. 4	Literacy 12 Assessment – grade 12 students do not have regular classes (except IB DP students who have regular classes)
Tuesday, Nov. 5	Literacy 10 Assessment – grade 10 students do not have regular classes
Wednesday, Nov. 6	Late Start – first class begins at 9:50am Learning conferences – second booking window closes at 8am
Thursday, Nov. 7	Early dismissal at 1:15pm Learning conferences 2pm to 4pm, 6pm to 8pm
Friday, Nov. 7	Early dismissal at 1:15pm Remembrance Day & National Indigenous Veterans Day ceremony
Monday, Nov. 11	Remembrance Day – school closed

## 2. Graduation Assessments: Literacy 10 and Literacy 12

### Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> - IB Diploma Grade 12

Grade 12 IB Diploma students will write the Literacy 12 assessment. Ms. Thornhill has contacted all IB DP students.





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**Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> - GRADE 12**

Grade 12 students will be completing their assessment on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

There will be no regular classes for the day for all Grade 12 students (except IB Diploma students).

Students will be completing their assessments either in the morning or afternoon sessions. Please refer to the table below for the time assigned based on the first letter of your last name. Location details will be shared closer to the date. Please note the change in arrival time. Also, if possible, avoid bringing a bag to the assessment.

Last Names	Date	Time
A to L	November 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:45 – 11:45 am
M to Z	November 4 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 – 3:00 pm

**Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> - GRADE 10**

The **Grade 10** Literacy Assessment is a provincial assessment that assesses student proficiency in literacy. It is a graduation requirement, and students take the assessment in their Grade 10 year.

Grade 10 students will be completing their assessment on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

There will be no regular classes for the day for all Grade 10 students.

Students will be completing their assessments either in the morning or afternoon sessions. Please refer to the table below for the time assigned for you based on the first alphabet of your last name. Please note the change in arrival time. Locations details will be shared closer to the date. Also, if possible, avoid bringing a bag to the assessment.

Last Names	Date	Time
A to L	November 5 <sup>th</sup>	8:45 – 11:45 am
M to Z	November 5 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 – 3:00 pm

**3. Halloween Safety**

As we approach Halloween students are reminded that fireworks and firecrackers are not permitted. Costumes worn on Halloween must be respectful and adhere to the Code of Conduct. No weapons, toy or replica weapons are permitted at any time or as part of any costume.





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### 4. Learning Conferences (formerly called parent teacher interviews)

Carson Graham's learning conferences are on **Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** from 2pm to 4pm and 6pm to 8pm. Sessions are 5 minutes long. [Information](#) on how to sign up for learning conferences was emailed to parents & guardians and went live October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Students are welcome to attend with a parent/guardian.

The first booking window is from Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8am to Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:59am. In the first window parents are limited to 3 interviews per child.

On Wednesday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at 8am a second booking window will open allowing parents to add up to 7 more interviews per child (if needed and still available). The second window will close on Wednesday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at 8am.

### 5. Grade 12 Information - Grad photos






Sign up for Artona graduation photos now – click [HERE](#) for information. Your student's photo consent form must be completed and marked as "yes" for the photo to be included in the yearbook and in the grad composite on the wall at Carson Graham. The form is one of the start-up forms in School Cash Online.

### 6. Student opportunities

North Van City Library is offering two free sessions on writing for university applications. These sessions are recommended for students in grades 10, 11, and 12.

- October 29th [Writing for university applications | Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 7:00 pm | North Vancouver City Library \(nvcl.ca\)](#)
- November 5th [Writing for university applications | Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at 7:00 pm | North Vancouver City Library \(nvcl.ca\)](#)

Students are encouraged to check their Grade Team on Microsoft Teams daily. This is the main place where information is posted for students about post-secondary visits, volunteer opportunities, and school information. The teams for each grade are labeled as follows:

- ▶  Class of 2025
- ▶  Class of 2026
- ▶  Class of 2027
- ▶  Class of 2028
- ▶  Class of 2029





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## 7. Parent and Guardian Info Session

### A) Family Services of the North Shore – PROUD2BE Gender Identity Panel Event: Understanding Gender Diversity – Young Adult Voices



Registration is now open! Listen to a diverse panel of young adults who live outside of the traditional gender binary for an engaging discussion. This online event is offered free of charge and open to parents, youth, professionals, and adult family and friends. Saturday, October 26th, 10am – 12pm.

**Registration:**

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/understanding-gender-diversity-voices-of-young-adults-tickets-1004867474667?aff=oddtcreator>

### B) IMPACT North Shore

Join these Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) workshops for newcomer parents, guardians, and students to **learn about Canadian universities and colleges.**

To learn more and to register click [HERE](#).

Upcoming sessions:

- November 5, 6:00 – 7:30 pm: University of British Columbia info (English, support in Ukrainian)
- November 5, 6:00 – 7:30 pm: University of British Columbia info (English, support in Farsi)
- November 7, 4:00 – 5:00 pm: University of Toronto info (English, support in Mandarin)

