



**CARSON GRAHAM
SECONDARY**

Friday, December 6th, 2024

Hello Carson Graham Families,

We hope this newsletter finds you well. With two weeks until the winter break, we have many important information items and upcoming celebrations to share.

In today's newsletter, you will find information about:

1. Upcoming Dates
2. School Information – quick links
3. School Cash Online: Forms & Fees
4. Learning Updates (report cards)
5. Grade 12 Information – Winter Formal Tickets
6. Eagle Pride: What's happening around the school?
7. Student career exploration opportunities
8. Parent and Guardian Resources
9. NVSD Artists for Kids Fall Release

Sincerely,

Kim Jonat, Principal

Dave Cadman, Vice Principal

Tuzar Irani, Vice Principal

HAPPY
Holidays!





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1. Upcoming Dates

December 6 to January 3

Friday, Dec. 6	Curriculum Implementation Day – classes not in session
Monday, Dec. 9	Learning Updates published to MyEd Portal by end of day
Tuesday, Dec. 10	Winter Band Concert, Carson Graham Agora
Wednesday, Dec. 11	Advisory schedule
Saturday, Dec. 14	Winter Choir Concert, Highlands United Church, 6:30pm doors, 7pm start
Friday, Dec. 20	Winter Breakfast; Early Dismissal; last day of classes before winter break
Monday, Dec. 23 to Friday, Jan. 3	School closed for winter break. School reopens on Monday, January 6 th , 2025

Curriculum Implementation Day

Friday, December 6th is Curriculum Implementation Day. This day is focused on Indigenous Education and all secondary staff will be working at Carson Graham Secondary, participating in professional development with Dr. Tsnomot Brad Baker, Superintendent of Indigenous Education, Ministry of Education and Child Care.

Winter Breakfast

Students can purchase tickets for \$5 to the winter breakfast next week at lunch. The breakfast is before school on the last day before winter break. Come enjoy a full breakfast, holiday music, photos with Santa, and lots of fun!

2. School Information

Carson Graham Website	Homepage - Carson Graham Secondary Website (sd44.ca)
Daily Timetable (block rotation)	Daily Timetable - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)
Full Year Calendar	Calendar - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)
Reporting Attendance	Attendance - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)
Daily Announcements	Daily Announcements - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)
Staff Contact Information	Staff Contact Info - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)
Library Catalogue	Library Catalogue - Carson Graham Secondary (sd44.ca)





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3. School Cash Online

School Start-up Forms

A reminder for parents and guardians, school startup forms including picture consent are available for parents to fill out on school cash online [here](#). Students without a signed photo consent cannot be pictured in the yearbook. Please fill out these forms as soon as possible.

Fee Reminder

A reminder to please login to [School Cash Online](#) and pay any supplemental school fees, athletics fees, or fieldtrip fees added to your account. Supplemental fees provide enhancements beyond the basic curriculum in classes.

For financial support with fees please contact your child's grade administrator:

Grade 8 & 11 – Mr. Tuzar Irani, tirani@sd44.ca

Grade 9 & 10 – Mr. Dave Cadman, dcadman@sd44.ca

Grade 12 – Ms. Kim Jonat, kjonat@sd44.ca

4. Accessing Learning Updates – Monday, December 9

Learning updates (report cards) will be published to MyEd on Monday, December 9th. Parents, guardians, and students will receive an email when learning updates are available to view. We recommend logging into your [MyEducation BC](#) now. If you forgot your password, click on the "I forgot my password" link below the login. Tips about logging in is available [here](#).

- If you are unable to login, please contact Carson Graham's office at 604-903-3555.

5. Grade 12 Information

Winter Formal Tickets

Tickets to the grade 12 winter formal are on sale until Sunday, December 15th on [School Cash Online](#). The event is on January 15th at the Polygon Gallery in North Vancouver. Tickets are \$75. For details, please see the letter sent November 15th and [posted on the school's website](#).

Scholarships

The Carson Graham Scholarship Application is to be completed by students who have **excelled in academic courses, extracurricular accomplishments, and/or service**. The information used in the application will determine recipients of scholarships and bursaries administered by the Carson Graham Scholarship Committee. The application is comprised of two parts. **Both parts of the application must be completed** for students to be considered. The application is posted in the Scholarship channel on the Grade 12 TEAM. Students can see Ms. Thornhill in A202 with any questions.

Application Deadline to Ms. Marshall's office: 3:15 PM, Thursday February 13, 2025

No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.





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6. Eagle Pride: What's Happening Around the School?

Jazz Night

Last Tuesday evening, audience members were treated to the sounds of Carson's junior jazz band, senior jazz band, and vocal jazz ensemble.



Career and Post-Secondary Fair

This week Indigenous students had the opportunity to participate in a career and post-secondary fair.



Community Initiatives Dinner

Students cooked and served a dinner to over 60 members of our community last week. Students who wish to volunteer at the Holiday Dinner coming up on December 14th can sign up using the QR code posted on the office window.

GSA Clothing Drive

Thank you to everyone who donated clothing for the North Shore Crisis Services Society. It was a tremendous success!

Diego & Aslan's 3rd Birthday

The Carson community gathered to celebrate and sing Happy Birthday to our 2 PADS working dogs!

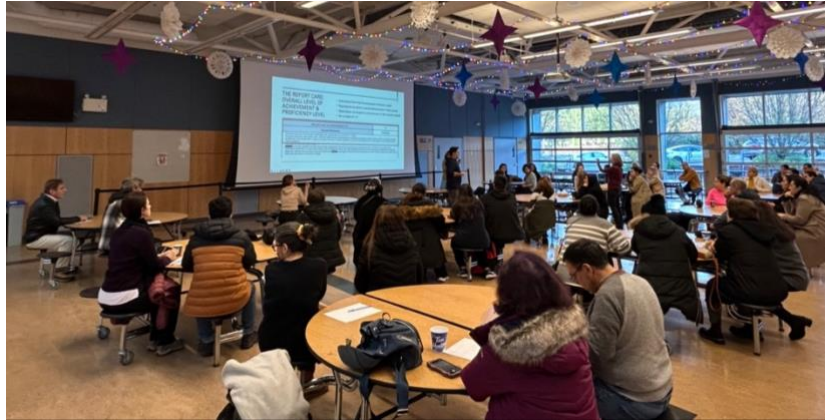
Diego and Aslan have become beloved members of the Carson community providing snuggles, joy, and social emotional support to students and staff!





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IMPACT North Shore Parent Session in Farsi
Over 50 parents attended the workshop presented in partnership with IMPACT North Shore on accessing and understanding learning updates and MYP reporting.



Several Carson students were named AAA Football All Stars. Congratulations!

AAA Football Provincial & West Division All-Stars

- Celyan Vermeulin – Defensive Back & MVP of Division
- Griffin Runnals – Line Backer

AAA Football West Division All Stars

- Jacob Huntingford – Offensive Line
- Finlay Clark – Receiver
- Jack Shih – Flex (TE/WR/RB)
- Ryan Leslie – Defensive Line

7. Student Career Exploration Opportunities

Digital Media Youth Expo	Saturday, December 7	12pm to 3pm	Argyle Secondary	Meet with representatives from many Lower Mainland Post-Secondary Schools as well as local & global organizations & institutions and studios involved in digital media
Explore Cap U Open House (RSVP) Squamish Campus	Saturday, December 7	11am to 2pm	Capilano University - Squamish Campus 3200 University Boulevard, Squamish	Explore programs, campus tours, and meet students. RSVP today!





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A Day in the Life of an RCMP Officer	February 18 and 19, 2025	Day One: 9:00 – 3:00 pm Day Two: 9:00-3:00pm	Day One: 5th Floor of North Vancouver School District Office Day Two: RCMP Detachment Office, North Vancouver	Learn about the many career pathways in law enforcement while solving a fictional crime. Please have your student message Stella Ying on TEAMS.
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8. Parent and Guardian Resources

Tech-Savvy Parenting

[Raising Digitally Responsible Youth: A Parent's Guide \(saferschoolstogether.com\)](#)

What do those emojis mean? What should I watch for?

[Interpreting and Translating Emojis \(saferschoolstogether.com\)](#)

Create a family contract for phone use: [Common Sense Media Digital Contract \(saferschoolstogether.com\)](#)

Mental Health Matters

[NVSD Social Emotional Learning and Mental Health](#)

Understanding substance use for teens: [Substance Use & Youth | Kelty Mental Health](#)

Talking to youth about substance use: [Talking to youth - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)

OVERCOMING TOO MUCH SCREEN TIME

- Ask yourself and your family members the following questions, "Can you name some problems of being too addicted to a screen?" "What are the benefits of screens?"
- Discuss screen time habits with your family and make a plan identifying where you can make small changes at first.
- Ask yourself these question, " Do you feel frustrated, angry and/or sad when you have to get off your screen?" "Does your screen time interfere with homework, sleep, relationships"
- Try; No phones during family meals and see if you can find other times you can all put down your phones
- Make a list of other things you can do instead of using your device
- Go outside; Allow yourself to have fun outside without your phone
- Remove unnecessary apps or move your most-used ones to a later page.
- Acknowledge and celebrate when you are able to put your phone down

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9. NVSD Artists for Kids Fall Release

Artists for Kids and the Gordon Smith Gallery of Canadian Art has released five limited edition prints through an inaugural 2024 Fall Portfolio launch!

The [Artists for Kids Limited Edition Portfolio](#) program began over 35 years ago and is now revered as one of the most significant limited edition collections in Canada. Through the announcement of the 2024 Fall Portfolio release, the program brings together a group of limited edition prints by four Canadian artists who have worked directly with children and youth through Artists for Kids. The spectacular editions by Anna Binta Diallo, Sandeep Johal, Sara Khan, and Samuel Roy-Bois are NOW available for acquisition.

Purchases can be made by visiting artistsforkids.ca or calling the Artists for Kids' office at 604-903-3798.

