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MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT OCT 17

STMC invites parents to Meet the Teacher Night on Oct 17, 2024. This event allows parents to connect with staff, hear from a child development expert, and engage with teachers about their child's classes and co-curricular opportunities.

Event Schedule:

5:00-5:45 pm Social Reception

- Meet faculty and other parents and enjoy refreshments before the program begins.

5:45-6:45 pm - Keynote: Dr. Deborah MacNamara

- Dr. MacNamara will deliver a special talk geared towards parents specifically focused on adolescent development. Find out more about Dr. MacNamara on her website: macnamara.ca

6:55-7:15 pm - Session 1

7:20-7:40 pm - Session 2

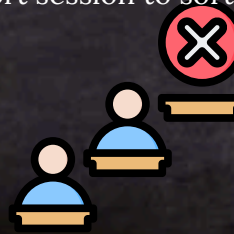
7:45-8:05 pm - Session 3

Parents will have the option to attend three different sessions to learn more about various topics. These topics will range from meeting classroom teachers and learning more about what's happening in those classes, learning more about various co-curricular programs, academic and personal counselling etc. (More information about these sessions will be sent closer to the date). We hope you can join us for this informative and engaging evening specifically for our families. Stay tuned for further details on session topics!

NEW STMC ATTENDANCE REPORTING PROCEDURES

For the 2024-25 School Year, STMC will be using a new, online attendance reporting system. **If your child will be absent, late or leaving early on any date during the upcoming school year, please report the details using our Attendance Monitor system that is integrated with your school STMC PowerSchool PARENT Portal.** Your online report will satisfy our student attendance record requirements, so you will not have to send in a separate note or email following an absence! - Full info [Attendance-Monitor-Family-Guide.pdf](#)

if you are having any trouble, contact the school to schedule a support session to sort things out.



HOMECOMING 2024 PHOTOS - VIEW HERE!

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/dhBvwTz7yVJfyRr97>

STMC ALUMNI ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT OCT 5

The Alumni Ultimate tournament is on Saturday, October 5th. Parents are welcome to come play. If anyone is interested in playing, contact Mr. Muise (joe.muise@stmc.bc.ca). If there are enough parents interested, they can play together as a team and if not, they can get added to one of the existing teams.



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DOES YOUR CHILD LOVE SCIENCE? CHECK OUT THESE EXTRA-CURRICULAR SCIENCE OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED AT STMC!

From external offerings that students can sign up for on their own, to some of the other bigger STMC opportunities like Beamline & CanSat (and several new ones!), **join this Google classroom to find out about the many different extra-curricular science opportunities available to our students. Code: xtyotzj**



Hello Physics fans! Love physics? Consider joining the **Modern Physics Club!** We will learn about topics normally not covered in the curriculum (or expand ones that are); analyze data in global initiatives (such as World Wide Data Day) and do field trips (we went to TRIUMF last year, possibly more interesting things coming this year). Meeting dates are not decided yet, but will likely be every second week or so. If interested, join the Google Classroom - **Code: wmtyxkg**

STMC STUDENT CLUBS

Here are some of the student led clubs being offered this year:



Follow STMC PA IG to find out more info on other clubs being offered! We will endeavor to share as many as we come across, please also share with us any clubs you know of!

AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMIC SUPPORT

If you want to excel academically or need help with assignments, the After School Academic Support is for you. It offers assistance from high-achieving tutors to help peers with homework and exam preparation. The program runs every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:45 - 3:45 pm at

AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMIC SUPPORT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PEER TUTOR OR WANT ACADEMIC SUPPORT TO EXCEL IN CLASS?

the Learning Commons. Peer tutors can earn Service Hours. Interested students can contact Mrs. Eugene for more details. Sign up for announcements using Google Classroom Code: m77vwps.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct 3 - Late Start
- Oct 4 - Grade 8 Retreat
- Oct 8 - PA General Meeting 7pm (in person & Zoom)
- Oct 14 - Thanksgiving Day - No School
- Oct 17 - Late Start / Meet the Teacher Night
- Oct 18 - Late Start / Photo Retakes / Missions Jeans Day
- Oct 19 - Grad Fundraiser (19+)
- Oct 24 to Oct 28 - Grad Photos
- Oct 25 - Provincial Pro-D Day - No School
- Oct 28 - Late Start / Gr 10 Retreat 1/3
- Oct 29, Nov 1- Gr 10 Retreat 2/3, Gr 10 Retreat 3/3

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OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT GRAD CLASS 2025

Unable to attend in person on October 19? We invite you to support the Grad Class by participating in our online auction and purchasing 50/50 tickets!

Online Auction - view here



50/50 Raffle - Purchase tickets here



Gather up in support of Class of 2025

Save the date for **Saturday, October 19th** and get your tickets now for our **grad fun-draising social!** With every ticket purchase, you will be directly supporting our efforts at ensuring each graduate has an unforgettable Dry Grad experience in a safe drug-and alcohol-free space. **Please join us for a fun 19+ evening of music, games, 50/50 and silent auction.** Each ticket includes a "Hot Diggity Dog" from our Build-your-own hotdog bun of inspired toppings and condiments plus a choice of beer or wine.

Buy your tickets [here](#)

Interested in volunteering? [Volunteer here](#)

Interested in Sponsoring or Donating? [Donate here](#)

BOTTLE RECYCLE PROGRAM FOR GRAD CLASS 2025

Help us fundraise by recycling your empty bottles at the local Return-It Express depot. Just drop and go!

Use account code: 236-332-6161



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Thank you for your support!

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