***PLACE-BASED LEARNING***

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lace-based learning connects students to the landscape, heritage and cultures in their community. They explore their own community and environment through project-based learning and outdoor education. It makes learning relevant as they look at real-life problems and situations and figure out ways to be involved and to help. Spending time outside can help students build independence and self-esteem and builds confidence through hands-on learning. Outdoor learning also allows them to build problem-solving and teamwork skills. When students feel connected to a place, they are invested in the long-term well-being of their community and environment.

For more information about the new curriculum, visit <http://www.sd42.ca/new-curriculum>.

**Coming in May –** Inquiry Learning.

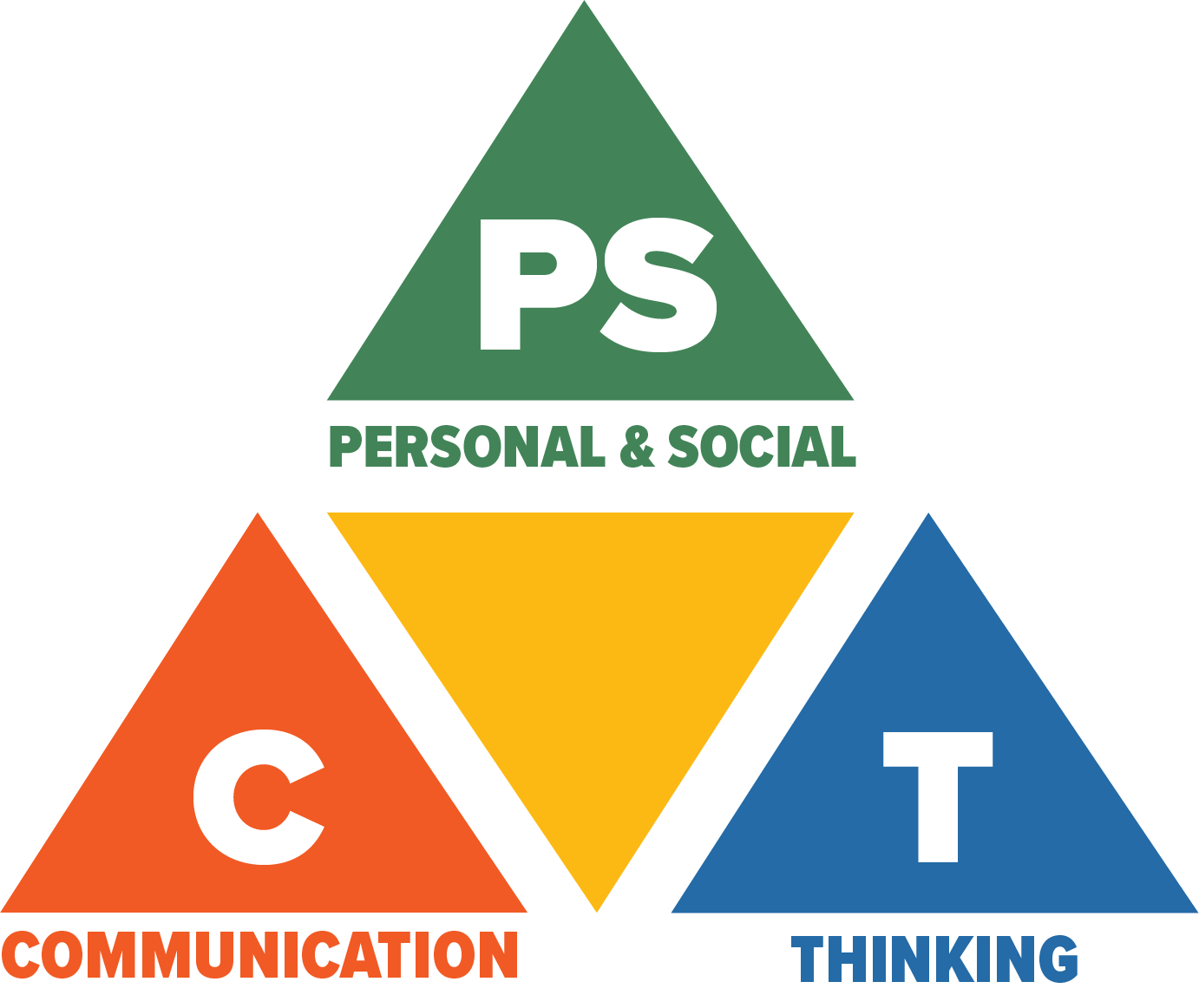


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***Core Competencies: What are they and why are they in the new curriculum?***

*The new curriculum centres around the following three core competency areas:* ***communication, personal and social, thinking.*** *They are sets of intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students need to develop in order to engage in deep learning and life-long learning. Competencies are evident in every area of learning and in every grade, and come into play when students become actively engaged in their learning.* *During the school year, students will have an opportunity to self-assess their proficiencies in these core competencies.*