



June Events & Info



This past Tuesday, we had an amazing evening for our Graduation Ceremony at Queen Elizabeth theatre in Vancouver. The picture on the left shows our graduating class of 215 students throwing their grad caps in the air prior to the recessional. This year's graduates exemplify what it means to be a Thomas Haney student. As a group they distinguished themselves as an inclusive, involved and academically focused group. As a grad class there were 55 scholarships and bursaries awarded for a total of \$95,000. This week our grads will have the banquet Friday night from 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm at Meadow Gardens Golf Course which will be followed by Dry Grad starting at 11:30 pm at Thomas Haney. You can find all the most recent Grad Info is located on our school website ([LINK](#)).

The beautiful weather has resulted in many outdoor adventures and opportunities for our students. Our grade 9 Humanities students taught by Ms. E. Godfrey & Ms. J. Godfrey spent the day at Malcolm Knapp Research Forest with activities that included developing compass skills, scavenger hunts and building a shelter using simple materials.



The pictures on the left show our Outdoor Education at Jericho Beach, who spent the day windsurfing. This past Friday they were at Rocky Point Park for sailing lessons.

Congratulations to our grade 8/9 soccer team for winning the district Soccer banner with an exciting and competitive championship game vs Garibaldi. Coach Franco was very impressed with the quality of play and sportsmanship our team displayed all year. Congrats on an awesome season, girls!!



Congratulations to our THSS students who were led by our amazing Chef Brian Smith as they competed in the annual Chowder Competition at SRT, which featured teams from Maple Ridge to Abbotsford.



Pictured here are the Peak Pod students who spent a sunny day in an amazing race all over Vancouver – from Second Beach at Stanley Park to the Terry Fox statue at BC Place. It was a fun and physically taxing day for our Peak Pod students, who have been working on their fitness and conditioning all year with Mr. Carriss, Mr. Franco and Ms. Brown.



Yearbooks Still Available



This year's yearbooks have arrived and look amazing! Mr. Dickin and his yearbook class have done an amazing job capturing our school events this year. They always order extra yearbooks which can be purchased on the parent portal with a credit card, or at the office for \$65 (cash / cheque). They sell out so it is important to get yours soon to avoid being disappointed.

Planning for NEXT School Year - 2023-24

Goodbye to Vice Principal and long-time THSS teacher (19 years), Ms. Andrea Clayton. Ms. Clayton will be moving to be a Vice Principal at SRT in September.

Replacing Ms. Clayton is Mr. Steve Kater, a former THSS teacher and current Vice Principal at Westview Secondary School. We look forward to welcoming Mr. Kater to our school community and know he will do an amazing job getting to know our students, staff and parent community. Mr. Kater will take the portfolio that Ms. Clayton had, including working with our current Grade 8s and 10s as they move to Grade 9 and 11. We sincerely welcome Mr. Kater to the THSS Team!

Student Back-to-School Info for 2023-24

Returning students will be sent back to school information via the parent portal in August. The information will include a timeline for return to school and accessing their new schedules via MyClass. There will be back to school student fee information and an opportunity to choose their locker prior to the start of school. For next year's grade 12s (current grade 11s) we will host our annual summer sunset BBQ and first opportunity to choose lockers.

Important Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday, June 6th - Music Concert at 7:00pm (Mr. Burns)
- Friday, June 9th - Grad Banquet at Meadow Gardens from 6:00-11:00 pm
- Friday, June 9th - Dry Grad at THSS starting at 11:30 pm
- Thursday, June 15th - LARP at 6:00pm (Mr. Goodman & Mr. Biggar)
- Monday, June 19th - Literacy and Numeracy 10 Assessments (Mrs. Kania)
- Tuesday, June 27th - LAST Day of regular classes for students
- Thursday, June 29th - Report Cards LIVE on MyClass for Viewing

Key Contacts

The following list of Counsellors and Administrators and their grades are listed below:

- **Administration**
 - Mr. Rowell (Principal - Grade 12s)
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Please do not hesitate to email Darren_Rowell@sd42.ca if you need further information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Darren Rowell
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