

DECEMBER 15, 2016

# SHORELINE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

**Tuesday, January 10**  
Esquimalt High Information Night

**Wednesday, January 11**  
Darren Laur Internet Safety  
Presentation 6:30—8:30 pm  
Songhees Wellness Centre

**Friday, January 13**  
Esquimalt High Challenge  
Program Application due

**Tuesday, January 17**  
Fire Drill 11:50 am

**Monday, January 23**  
Student Led Conferences  
3—6:30 pm  
Open House  
6:30 pm

**January 23—27**  
Grade 6 Late French Immersion  
Registration

At Shoreline we are proud of our values of  
Safety, Kindness, and Respect.

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Dear Shoreline families,

It was wonderful to see so many of you out to our **Evening of Music** last week in the gym. Thank you for making time to support your children, and us, in our continued pursuit of excellence in music. Once again, special thanks to **Mr. Chris Leeson** for his extraordinary efforts in building an exceptional program at Shoreline.

**Report cards** will come home on Friday Dec. 16th. Please take time to discuss your child's learning together. A reminder that research and practise clearly indicate that **specific, descriptive feedback** is what moves learning forward. We know that the assignment of grades does little to improve learning. Please don't overemphasize grades when discussing learning with your child. Instead discuss your child's strengths and areas to develop. This helps students to develop a "**growth- mindset**" that will serve them throughout their school years and later in life when they face obstacles.

We have been working diligently the past few weeks to address some concerns regarding student misuse of **personal devices** and inappropriate wifi access at Shoreline. We will continue this dialogue as a school in January with a special presentation by Darren Laur (Twitter [@darrenlaur The White Hatter](#)) on **January 11th @ 1:00 pm** for students and **6:30 -8:30 pm** for parents hosted at the Songhees Wellness Centre. We hope you will mark your calendars and join us. Thank you to our PAC for their financial support of this event.

We wish each of you a safe, and peaceful winter break. Take time to stop, unplug and be grateful for the gifts in your life.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership.

Warmly,

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