



MOSCROP NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



The 2009-10 school year is quickly coming to a close and before we gear up for the busy weeks ahead of exams, awards ceremonies and

yearbooks, I would like to take the time to thank several groups who have helped make this a successful year at Moscrop.

The dedicated members of our School Planning Council deserve recognition for their contributions in developing and monitoring our school goals and creating our School Plan. I am joined on the SPC by parent representatives, Ms. Nicole Geyer, Ms. May Tian and Ms. Sandra Weal, and our student representatives, Ivan Leenov and Leanna Siu. The School Plan for the 2010-11 school year that is now being finalized by the group incorporates our on-going commitment to improving literacy and engagement in our students. It is based on the data collected throughout this year and will allow us to build on the successful strategies we put

into place this year and to implement several new strategies designed by our Literacy and Social Responsibility Committees.

I would like to thank our wonderful Parent Advisory Council members for all of their hard work this year. They have worked tirelessly for our students and have provided a great deal of support for school programs. These dedicated parents have given a great deal of their time to ensure that the parent voice is heard in our school. I would also like to extend my thanks to our "graduating" PAC Executive member, Ms. Melinda Singal. Over the years, she has provided so much service to our school and our students. She will be missed. As well, my thanks go to our Band Parents' Association parent members who have also donated countless hours to ensure that Moscrop has a vibrant music program. From fundraising to the organization of various trips, these parents have devoted themselves to ensuring that our students have many opportunities to showcase their talents.

This year's grad class should also be honoured. Our grads acted as excellent ambassadors for Moscrop at each of the recent graduation events. The Grad Dinner/Dance provided students with an opportunity to get together with their classmates for a formal evening to celebrate the end of their school careers. Thank you to our staff sponsors, Ms. Watson and Ms. Clowers, for all of their work in making this night possible. The Dry Grad was held at Moscrop this year, and provided our grads with a safe alternative after the Dinner/Dance. Thank you to all of the dedicated parents who hosted this event. Our School Leaving Ceremonies were also a huge success. Thank you to all of those staff members who helped to make the event so memorable for our graduates and their parents. Congratulations to the Grads of 2010! We wish you all of the best in the future as you head off to pursue your dreams. We are proud to call you Panthers.

To our returning students, I wish you a safe and relaxing holiday. See you in September!

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7 Staff Committee Mtg. PAC Executive—6:00 PM	8 Evening Awards, 7:00PM	9 Department Head Mtg "Au revoir" French Immersion Graduation	10	11
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THE TOUR OF THE TEMPLES

Nothing really “educational” about field trips?

As grade eight French immersion students, we were all encouraged to go on a Tour of the Temples for our Sciences Humaines class. We would be visiting 3 temples: a mosque, a Sikh temple, and a Buddhist temple. I didn't know what to expect, so mostly I was looking forward to the Indian food that was to be served to us at the



Sikh temple.

When we arrived at the Islamic Mosque, a gentleman greeted us and we were introduced to Islam. As the religion was a very big part of our unit, we already knew most of the facts he gave us, but it was also reassuring to hear it from an actual Muslim.

At the Buddhist Temple in Richmond, I expected a monk with a brown robe, but the Chinese man who welcomed us wore a yellow vest over everyday clothes. In their garden, we spotted a turtle that had unfortunately died due to a shattered shell. It was ironic to find that in a Buddhist temple, especially when their beliefs valued animal life. It was certainly much more decorated than the newly constructed Mosque, with giant gold statues, ceramic deer, and

Many people have overlooked prejudiced and biased opinions. Many people also overlooked the “Closed for Living Library” sign on the school library door on March 31st. But occasionally, students would stop and walk in, curiosity filling their minds as to what was going on. So what is the Living Library exactly?

The Living Library organization was created in Denmark, as an event hosted to eliminate violence due to biased judgments. Moscrop Secondary is the first high school in North America to host The Living Library, and it has brought us one step

closer to breaking down stereotypes. Twenty-seven diverse guests from our community joined us this year, all engaging us with their unique stories and backgrounds. Not only did the students get to experience something new, but the guests themselves were also able to interact with each other and “take out their prejudice.”

All of the volunteer guests were listed as “book titles” for the student body to “check out” and talk to on the day of the event. Teachers and students were all encouraged to sit down with a “book” and ask them any

trees planted everywhere. They had “Please Do Not Ride Deer” signs all over the place, even in places where they didn't have ceramic deer.

The Sikh temple was the most interesting, for me. We first had to cover our hair with bandanas the moment we walked in, and the structure was painted a *Tiffany* blue. The Onion shaped roofs were different and unique. Their modest cafeteria smelled of delicious spices and fresh *naan* bread. Leaving the eating area with burning tongues and satisfied stomachs, our passionate guide gave us a tour of the whole temple, demonstrating prayer and the origins of the Sikh religion. She even explained how she shied away from Sikhism when she was a teenager and how she one day just picked up a book from the library on the biog-

raphy of Guru Nanak, the creator of Sikhism, and never returned it. She explained that Sikhism was always with her, through the thick and thin.

This field trip was not only memorable, we were also able to experience religions that we would've never touched before. Despite the dead turtle and long speeches, I'll admit that I learned many new perspectives that day, and that the facts have stuck in my head much longer than if I had learned them just from a dry textbook in class.



TAKE OUT YOUR PREJUDICE!

questions that were on their minds. This gave the students an opportunity to really understand who people are, rather than just guessing who they are based on their looks or title.

The Living Library was incredibly successful this year. All the students who participated were able to hear the real story from the guest they spoke to, in a down-to-earth, face-to-face conversation. Sometimes, you don't even realize when you stereotype people. What do you think of when you see a bodybuilder? Perhaps a buff man that drinks protein shakes and eats raw eggs. But

there's probably more to him than you think. Remember, pre-judgments based on identities go nowhere. Even though the road to eliminating biased opinions is still miles away, The Living Library at Moscrop exposed the reality of stereotypes and took one step forward to promote genuine appreciation for diversity.

So... Are you ready to take out your prejudice?





Awards & Scholarship

As the '09-10' school year is drawing to an end, Moscrop students once again exhibit outstanding achievements. The Gordon M. Shrum B.C. Secondary School Entrance Scholarship for \$24,000 was awarded to three of Moscrop's students this year: Andrea Chen, Sarah Marriott, and Angelina Marinkovic. The Howard Hanson Scholarship to the Eastman School of Music was awarded to Richard He, and the recipient of the Canadian House of Commons Page Program was Henry Wu. These scholarships are but a portion of an extensive list of achievements by these wonderful students. We send out our most sincere congratulations and wish them all the best in their post secondary careers.

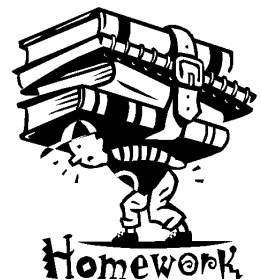
If Gr. 11's this year are looking into scholarship applications, it is advised to develop a resume, keep a high GPA, and engage in volunteer activities both with the school and with the community. For further questions and more information, contact Ms. Beaton at Jocelyn.beaton@sd41.bc.ca or visit her blog at msjbeaton.wordpress.com.



Advanced Place-

AP courses are offered to students willing to take on more challenges and who want to take university courses in high school. Studies show that students who take an AP course have a higher likelihood of earning their university degree in four years. Students who effectively complete AP courses by scoring a 4 or 5 out of 5 may receive credit for the course in University.

Exams that took place this year include French Language, Calculus AB/BC, Chinese Language/Culture, European History, Biology, Physics B and C, Chemistry, Psychology, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, and Human Geography. These same courses are offered next year.



LEADERSHIP

As Moscrop approaches the end of the 2009/2010 school year, we would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Leadership team. The leadership team is a combination of classes that are dedicated in making school better and more enjoyable. From field trips to dances, events old and new, Leadership has always been able to put on a show to remember. This is clearly apparent in Woodstock, a school wide event hosted and prepared by the team. This year, Woodstock took place on Thursday, May 20th and students enjoyed the fun event. Woodstock is a Moscrop tradition that incorporates all students who wish to participate in amusing, and engaging activities, games and, of course, free food! The objective of this event is to give students a day of fun and a moment of relaxation before exams in the form of vibrant school spirit. There were many performances that showcased the stellar talent within our school community as a vast array of spectacular students showed up for auditions. Without a doubt, Woodstock this year was a success!

The spring dance has passed and reigned victorious once more as one of the biggest dances of the year. Codenamed: "Up, up and away," this super-hero themed dance soared to high heights and brought justice to the dance floor. With the help of student Mitchell Chan, bewildering effects enshrouded the entire school from the airport-styled entrance to the airplane windows where superheroes could be spotted flying by. There was an exceptional turnout that evening and the students had a blast.

This has been a memorable school year for Leadership, and we are very sad to see the Grads of 2010 graduate from Moscrop. Their hard work will always be remembered as new faces take on their role as Moscrop's Leaders. The leadership teachers, Ms. Moreno, Ms. Brown, and Mr. Beaton, are excited to meet new Leadership students in both junior and senior grades. Have a memorable summer Moscrop, and look forward to Leadership 2010/2011!

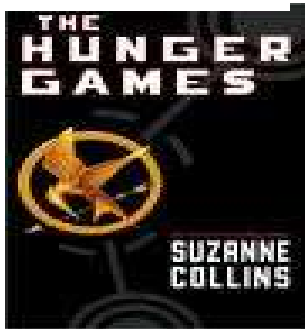
English-Galore

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK

On June 5th and 6th, the English 9 Honours classes presented amazing performances at the Burnaby Art Gallery. Each was a night full of humour and tragedy as the classes presented Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream. The audience roared as Puck played tricks and taunted the lovers. Their applause for Bottom's humour was thunderous! Overall, each student acted extremely well, and the audience had an

amazing time. What was most interesting about this performance was how each scene of the play was performed in a different part of the park. This meant the audience had to move from scene to scene in order to enjoy the whole play. The students took advantage of the park very well, using the Art Gallery as a palace and the most beautiful part of the park as Fairyland. Their cos-

tumes and makeup were also amazing. One class had almost all their costumes made by Megan Duncan! The classes altogether worked very hard to make these two performances a success. The news about these exiting plays was even published in Burnaby Now and the Burnaby Newsleader! It was truly a wonderful night!



"Simply: the greatest book."
- Reader of The Hunger Games

MOSCROP READS

This year's *Moscrop Reads* was a great success, thanks to our PAC committee for funding this event. The book that came in at number one was The Hunger Games, by Suzanne Collins. There was a large amount of positive feedback from the readers:

"It was a very exciting story with lots of action and surprise."

"I liked The Hunger Games a lot. It was exciting, adventurous, and very clever.

I recommend this book to everyone."

"Simply: the greatest book."

For those who enjoyed The Hunger Games, try reading the sequel, Catching Fire, and next fall Mrs. Midmore will have the third book in the series, Mockingjay. The second most popular book in *Moscrop Reads* is Elsewhere, by Gabrielle Zevin. The people who read these books could put their names in a draw, and the top 5 winners got a Chap-

New Books



-The Help, Katherine Stockett
New Graphic Novels
-Othello, Manga Shakespeare
-Romeo and Juliet, Shakespeare original text, Oxford University

Summer Reads

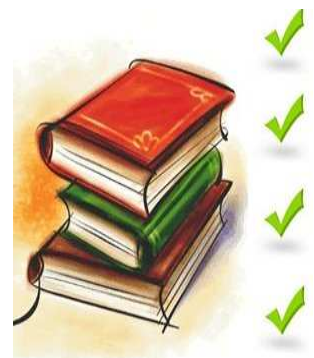
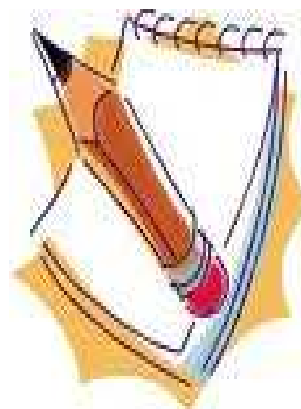
-The Shack, William Young
-Any Known Blood, Laurence Hill
(For those who enjoyed The Book of Negroes)
-The Giver, Lois Lowry
-The Goose Girl, Shannon Hale
-If I Stay, Gayle Forman

PROVINCIAL EXAMS

English 10: Wednesday, June 23rd, from 1-3 pm, and there is an extra 1 hour offered for those who need more time.

English 12: Tuesday, June 22nd, from 9-11 am, and there is an extra 1 hour offered for those who need more time.

Please bring a pen (dark blue/ black ink) and 2 HB pencils. Come 15-20 minutes early for the exam to sign in, and get a good night's sleep! To prepare, study literary terms/ devices and review writing handouts, i.e. quoting, effective introductions, conclusions, and supporting paragraphs. Good luck!



HOLocaust Symposium



Social Studies 11 and History 12 students went on a life changing/learning experience to the Holocaust Symposium. They listened to Peter Parker, a Holocaust Auschwitz concentration camp survivor at Burnaby South. They were given lectures about the Holocaust and about Genocide. The students learned many facts about the Holocaust, which is relevant to what they are studying in Social Studies 11/History 12.

LAW COURTS

Mr. Stemo's Law 12 class got the opportunity to observe trials at the Provincial Courts of British Columbia. The field trip was done by the Justice Education Society of British Columbia. It was an exciting learning experience. After this field trip, the class decided to have a mock trial court session in the Library. This field trip taught Law 12 students many skills that they will need if they wish to pursue law as a career in the future.

Around Europe in Ten Days!

The grade 10s had a wonderful opportunity to learn about European history by traveling around Europe during Spring Break. They went to France and transported in a TGV train to Paris, which has a speed of 300km/hr. They saw the leaning tower of Pisa, visited fantastic places like the principality of Monaco, toured a French perfume factory in Eze, and took an orientation tour of Nice. They also took a guided tour of Versailles, and visited the Louvre, the Notre Dame Cathedral. They took a walking tour of the city of love, Paris. Afterwards, they went to one of Italy's most famous cities, Florence, where they explored the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio. They then headed to Rome, where they took a guided tour of Vatican City, visiting the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, and the Colosseum. Finally, they flew home from Rome. The Europe trip was an amazing and enlightening once in a life time experience, so get ready grade 9s for next year's Europe trip!



Interviewing Recovering Addicts

The Grade 12 Psychology class got the chance to interview some people at Burnaby Centre about the rehabilitation and addiction. They interviewed five recovering addicts who are transitioning into society. This was a great educational experience for the grade 12 Psychology class.

Students should start preparing for the Geography 12 Provincial Exam, on June 28th at 1:00 pm, and History 12, which is on June 23rd at 1:00 pm.

Term three was fulfilled with many important and fun Social Studies occasions.

Social Studies Fair Victory!

Several grade 8 to grade 12 Social Studies/Sciences Humaines students participated in Moscrop's enjoyable, but competitive, Social Studies Fair. Students put an enormous amount of effort to make their projects unique.

Overall Winners

Great Pacific Garbage

Patch: Stella Choi, Neanet Shah-nazarian

Junior Category:

First Place

Japanese Invasion of Manchuria: Tumai Baptiste, Joy Sun

Second Place (Tied)

Napoleon Banaparte: Linna Hong, Alicia Tchaikoun, Yuna Wang, Valeriya Zgbordka

Les contes des mille et une nuits: Mary Metz, Lexi Gleanan

Third Place

L'astrologie: Zoya Nari, Nicole Schiess, Samantha Ishii

Senior Category:

First Place

Industrie de la Haute Technologies: Manuela Stoyanov, Jodic Lee, Brendan Lim, Justin Chan

Second Place

Preservation de l'environnement: Pasheila Narain, Saba Zarif, Jacob Mattic, Maria-Jose Vilota

Third Place

Industrie des transport: Brandon Cho, John Milne, Celia Beketa, Nina Vasic

Congratulations to all the participants! Thank you for all your hard work and for making Moscrop's Social Studies Fair of 2010 memora-

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BUSINESS EDUCATION

The Business Education students accomplished much this year. Students ran the Underground, the school store, where they learned how to market goods and how to be effective entrepreneurs. The students really enjoyed themselves, and Mr. Campbell, head of the Underground, is proud of his students, who managed the store so well. He is hoping to add new products for next year, includ-

ing new clothing. Working at the Underground could even get students a scholarship. All the managers received a scholarship this year. So not only is it fun to work at the Underground, it could also help students succeed in the future. The Business Education Department would like to thank Moscrop for their continued support and for making this such a successful year!

The classes from the Business Department go on many fun field trips as well. This term, the grade 11 Marketing classes went to Playland to learn how the owners use marketing strategies to promote the amusement park. Despite some rainy weather, students had a great time on the rides and winning prizes at the carnival games!

The Department has also

welcomed many great guest speakers this term, and would like to especially thank Mr. Rob Forsyth from Impark for speaking to Acct. 11 about careers in Accounting. Computer Students got to learn about some of BCIT's exciting Web Development and Digital Animation Programs.



SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Moscrop has had an incredibly successful third term in Science. This year, the Biology classes had a field trip to the Vancouver Aquarium to learn about the different ecosystems of the ocean. Some grade 12s did very well in the Physics contest this year, and the department is interested in getting more

students involved with such out-of-class contests. Hands-on work will be increased next year, so students can expect to go to the Superlab more often to do fun experiments! New classes that are going to be started next year are Biology 12 Honours and Advanced Placement Biology to help prepare students for the AP Ex-

ams. Joining this class can help anybody interested get one step ahead of their classmates! For all you Grade 8's reading this, next year you can go to Orlando, Florida for a week long fun filled field trip (all educational of course). See Mr. Callister for more information. Moscrop ended with a thriving year of science, and next year will be even better with



"Just a darn minute! — Yesterday you said that X equals two!"

All year round, the math department has been working hard at helping students achieve excellent grades and great contest scores, and all that hard work has paid off. The year has been quite a successful one, with Moscrop placing very well in the rankings for high school Mathematics. The Math department's goal for next year is to do as well, if not

MATH DEPARTMENT

better, than this year. Math is not always at the top of the list of students' favourite subjects; in fact, for some, at the bottom. However, with AP Stats coming in as a new course in the department, Math will begin to interest even more students. Math is an extremely important course that is required for most post-secondary programs. If you need help

preparing for your Final or a Math Provincial Exam, see your teacher for extra help and/or information regarding peer tutoring.





The Jr. Girls Soccer team came in 3rd place for the BBYNW District

Badminton: 1st place in BBYNW (Burnaby New Westminister) Badminton, 1st place zone BBYNWNV (Burnaby New Westminister North Vancouver) for the 5th time in a row, 10th place in Badminton Provincials

Gymnastics: 8 students in provincials

- Gr.8 Girls Volleyball
- Gr.9 Boys Volleyball
- Jr. Girls Volleyball
- Sr. Girls Volleyball
- Gr. 10 Boys Volleyball
- Sr. Boys Volleyball

Moscrop has had a tremendous year in Athletics. Thanks to our amazing staff of who have coached, 29 teams have represented Moscrop this year and have won great recognition for us, including such

Track and Field: 2nd place in track for Gr. 10 Girls 400m, 3rd place in Gr. 8 Boys 400m and 200m and 2nd place in Sr. Boys 4 by 4 100m

For students or parents who would like to enroll in sports next year, we have many sports

- Swimming
- Gr. 9 Girls Rugby
- Cross Country
- Sr. Boys Soccer
- Jr. Boys Soccer
- Badminton
- Field hockey
- Gr. 8 Boys Rugby
- Football

ATHLETICS

achievements as 1st place in BBYNW (Burnaby New Westminister) Juvenile Boys Volleyball, 2nd place in Sr. Boys Rugby, and 3rd place in BBYNW (Burnaby New Westminister) Jr. Girls Soccer. Sev-

eral teams made it to the playoffs and went undefeated for numerous games. Here are some of the achievements of Moscrop sports for 2009-2010:



starting in the first months of school. The following is the list of teams beginning in autumn:

If you have any questions you can check in the office for sports to join next year. Moscrop would be lucky to have the same amount of dedication and achievements next year, so be sure to join!



Jordan Or from Moscrop made the 17-and-under Boys' Provincial Volleyball team this year



Sports Rocks

Iron Chef Winners!



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Clubs and Events

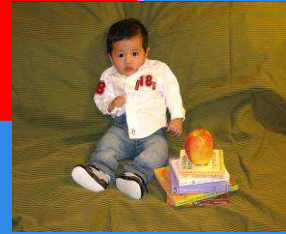
- **Baking Club** -started at the beginning of the year, it was a successful experience for all students.
- **Sun Run**-arranged by Ms. Malone, was a big hit with over 61 participants.
- **Iron Chef**-annual cooking competition for all grades, hosted in February, with Junior and Senior divisions. The senior division winners are Lisa Yee, Jenny Kuo, Serena Ge and Maggie Fong. The junior division winners are Brian Pae, and Lynden Book
- **Many more events and clubs coming next year!**

Now that the school year has come to an end, the Home Ec. Department is also wrapping events up. This year has been a fun, successful culinary journey for all the students and hopefully, the next school year will be as exciting. Home Economics is about the foundation of essential life, with courses such as Foods and Textiles, and Child Development. Students learn about important life skills that will guide them through their everyday needs. We are all looking forward to a tasty adventure next year, with fun courses, clubs and events.

This year has been a hands-on/realistic experience for Child Development 11/12. Mrs. Loong (Home Ec. Department head, currently on Maternity leave) has been bringing her son, Rowan, to visit the Child Development course for the Gr. 11 and 12's.



You can find delicious recipes on the Moscrops website!



Rowan Loong

Collaboration update!

A collaboration period initiated in other schools was the center of attention for Moscrops senior students, who heard about and proceeded to propose the idea of said homework block. They suggested a 50 minute block every Wednesday morning, where students would either spend time doing homework in their collaboration rooms, or they would attend tutorial sessions. Once the idea was in the hands of teachers, developing professional learning opportunities outside of class became a reality.

An overwhelming number of both students and teachers wish to continue and, given their feedback, this program will be continued. The continuation of collaboration depended on a "Collaboration Committee" meeting on May 31st for guardians and parents. Parental support was given. Thus collaboration will remain. Based on feedback from everyone, C.T.C proposed the following changes: a total of 10 sessions, 5 in the fall and 5 in the spring, each lasting 60 minutes and preferably on Wednesdays. Specialized tutorials in English, Social Studies, French, Math, Science and ESL will be included. A mere suggestion from students developed into a helpful factor in Moscrops Secondary's permanent schedule.





FINE ARTS DANCE

ART



The year is almost over and Art classes have been finishing up with projects such as masks and collage journals. Ms. Kay's Ceramics 11 and 12 classes have been working on house sculptures using scraffito carving for texture. We can definitely expect some great art projects next year because teachers are going to be taking courses for ideas. As you may know, Moscrop held a Fine Arts Night on February 17th. We are very hopeful that this will happen next year as well since it gives students a chance to show their work.

For the Dance Department, there were a couple of events that happened recently. First of all, there was the *So You Think You Can Dance* competition on June 1, which went very well. Also, a DVD is available for 5\$, showcasing what has happened throughout the year. What we have to look forward to next year is an expanded number of classes. Also, a course in Choreography is offered for grades 10 to 12. Extra-curricular activities are offered for participants in the Dance Department, along with Bollywood and Salsa Dance stylings. Participants of the Urban Beat dance squad should expect some new directors. Lastly, fundraising for the Dance Department will be present throughout next year. If you wish to help with fundraising please contact Ms. Kay.

Music



There have been many new initiatives happening in Music this year. The Band, Jazz Band and Choir students have been working hard throughout this year. There has been a performance during school, called matinee, performed by the Jazz Band and Choir students. At the French Immersion grad, there will be a jazz trio performing in French. This year, we had the chance to attend **Madame Butterfly**, a famous Puccini opera. Students had the opportunity to attend a backstage tour of **Madame Butterfly** and attend an evening performance of the opera at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. Next year, there will be many events for all students taking Music. The band and dance students will performance during Remembrance Day. The Jazz band and Choir will be hosting two separate concerts for Christmas. Next year, the grade 10 -12 students taking music will be going to Loon Lake to participate in many Music activities. The annual Timberline fieldtrip will be from March 5-8 of next year. The final Band concert will be in May of next year. We are all looking forward to these great performances and events.

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Student services

Student Services provide counseling services for students on subjects such as career exploration, course selection, and personal issues with peers or at home. To make sure that students have the most suitable education plan, our counsellors also work closely with the administration to understand each student's learning needs. In addition, they build the bridge between Moscrop and the grade seven students attending our school in the coming year. The annual grade seven parent evening and grade seven tour (On the 15th and 17th this year) are ways in which students and parents may learn more about all that Moscrop has to offer.



Moscrop is once again offering Summer school this year, and the brochures have now arrived. There are both morning and afternoon sessions starting the first week of July. There is a wide range of courses available to take this summer. If you are interested, you may register by phone, in person, or on the Internet. For more information or updates, please check this website! www.burnabyce.com.

Note from Counsellors

The Student Services Department has completed the course selection process. As the end of the year approaches, Parents and Students can contact counsellors to make any necessary changes. Changes that will be considered will be those involving summer school, repeating a course or a move to an Adapted Program. In mid June, counsellors and teachers will be contacting parents regarding recommendations for summer school and academic programs for next year.

Mentorship

Starting with 30 students when the program first launched a few years ago, the Mentorship Program at Moscrop has rapidly grown to an outstanding total of 130 students this year. Mr. Callister and Ms. Berning are the teachers in charge of this program. The mentors are a group of enthusiastic grade 10, 11, and 12 students who would like to make the grade 8s' first year at Moscrop fantastic. They each phone several grade 8s in the summer, giving them an idea of what their first day of school will be like and to assure them that they will be there to welcome them that day. Thank you to all the mentors for their hard work, and special thanks to Bethanie Giang for her foundation of the Best Buddies Program.



School Trips 2011



In 2011, many students will have the opportunity to go on a school trip to either Europe and/or England. Throughout these trips, they will learn about geography history, and culture.

Grade tens will be able to join a group that will travel to Europe next spring, which is led by Ms. Beaton. About eighteen students will be able to go on this trip, and

the fee is roughly \$3400. Students going on this trip will leave on Friday Mar 11, 2010 and return in ten days. In the course of these ten days, they will go to Vatican City, Rome, Florence, and Paris. A couple of special attractions are: the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, the Duomo, the Colosseum, Notre Dame Ca-

thedral, and the Louvre. They will attend four sight-seeing tours led by licensed local guides and two walking tours. In their hotels, they will receive European breakfast and dinner daily. If you are interested in going and would like information, visit <http://www.eftours.ca> and search Rome and Paris.



SENIOR EUROPE TRIP SPRING BREAK 2011

How would you like to spend Spring Break in London and Paris? Well, if you are a senior (grade 11 or 12) and you have a genuine appreciation for travel, the Arts, and new experiences, you should join Ms. Applewhite for a fabulous travel adventure! We will have many great opportunities, including going on special tours, visiting museums, shopping, taking in beautiful vistas, and theatre outings. Excursions are planned to Stratford on Avon (Shakespeare's House/Burial Site), the City of Bath (an ancient Roman town), Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Hyde Park, St. Paul's Cathedral, and the Tower of London. A two day trip is also planned to Paris! Travelers will visit such landmarks as the Louvre, the Palace of Versailles, Notre Dame Cathedral,

and the Eiffel Tower. On this trip, you will meet new people, try some new cuisine, and form special memories that will last a life-time. If you would like to join us, please see Ms. Applewhite as soon as possible for further details. Hurry! Space is limited!

On this trip, you'll get to meet new people, try out many new things, and go and visit many historical monuments; it's a great experience for anyone.



R. E. A. C. H

R.E.A.C.H. (Racial Equality Across Cultural Heritages) is a club dedicated to bringing awareness to the issues surrounding race as well as promoting cultures of all kinds. May 21st marked the first meeting in our Library, also hosting students from other

secondary schools in Burnaby. The club promotes anti-racism and places emphasis on the value of different cultures and heritages. Through activities such as workshops, field-trips, group discussions and soirées R.E.A.C.H. works toward educating youth on the sub-

ject of Racism. Connections to Alpha, Cariboo, and Burnaby North have been made and R.E.A.C.H. hopes to see other schools in Burnaby do the same. For more information feel free to contact Ms. Applewhite in room 319. New members are *always* welcome!



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It has been a great privilege to have worked with the Honours English 8 Students on the Newsletter this year. These students have worked hard to produce three successful Newsletters! They have put in many extra hours and much effort. They have come a long way as they have significantly improved their articles, their layout, and their time management skills. Congratulations to you all for your achievement! An extra special thank you to our Editor (Pooja Bhatti, English Honours 9) for all her dedication, hard work, mentorship, and patience!

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Thank you to the Teachers and Staff for supporting the Newsletter and being so welcoming and patient with our new school reporters!

English

The English Department says a sad fare thee well to Ms. Arnold who was here for Ms. Quelch's maternity leave. Best wishes Ms. Arnold!

BEST WISHES!

Some of the beloved teachers here at Moscrop will be leaving us at the end of the year.



Goodbyes

FRENCH

Some students may already know that Mme. Kazulin has left for her maternity leave in mid may. She and her family welcomed a new son. The new teacher for Grade 8 Langue Seconde is Mme. Magai (who was working with Mme. Beaulieu as a student teacher last fall/winter). Mme. Magai will leave at the end of September, for *her* pregnancy leave. Best wishes!

Visual and Performing Arts

From the Visual and Performing Arts department, we are sad to hear that Ms. Kernaghan and Ms. Wade



Business Education

are leaving. We thank you for all your hard work and being such great Moscropians!



**BEST WISHES
&
KEEP IN TOUCH!**