



# DELVIEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### Delview Celebrates Diwali

On Wednesday, November 15th Delview celebrated Diwali.



A number of staff and students dressed up in traditional wear to recognize and celebrate Diwali, and during the lunch hour students celebrated culture and food. Some students travelled through the halls playing a dhol, finishing at the front entrance.



Thank you to Delview's Culture Club for organizing events for this year's celebration.



Dear Delview Families,

We hope that all our families continue to be well and everyone had the opportunity to remember, reflect and spend time with family on November 11th. As we moved through the month of November, it seems we have gone from our extended summer to an early Winter as temperatures have cooled, but I know many of our students and staff are looking forward to their upcoming winter break.

Today's newsletter contains important information for our families as well as highlights a number of experiences and educational opportunities that have been going on at Delview over the past couple of weeks.

### Semester One Mid-Term Marks

Semester 1 Mid-Term marks were released to families on Thursday, November 16th. Student marks are viewable on students' MyEd, MyED Parent Portal and Parent Connect. Semester 1 Mid-Term marks represent student progress in their courses through the first half of the year. Under the new reporting order from the Ministry, all schools in the Province have moved to Proficiency Scales for Grade 8 and 9 classes, and Grade 10-12 classes continue to receive percentages. Parents will see:

#### Grade 8 and 9:

Instead of a percentage or letter grade, you will find a single word that describes your child's progress in a particular subject. It will say Emerging, Developing, Proficient or Extending.

Proficiency Scale	Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
	The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.
	"I don't get it yet, but I'm trying."	"I'm starting to get it."	"I get it."	"I really get it and can teach others how to do it."
	"I am just getting started and learn best with help."	"I get some of it, and I am beginning to do more and more on my own."	"I can do it on my own."	"I go beyond what is expected of me."

## Delview Athletics

We would like to congratulate all our fall athletes on a successful season. We would also like to thank all of our coaches and sponsors for volunteering your time and knowledge to provide an opportunity to Delview's athletes.



Delview athletics is building up towards the start of the Winter season where basketball is prominently featured. We are hopeful to have some competitive teams across the age and gender categories. Games begin on December 4<sup>th</sup> and will carry through until February.

Along side basketball, Delview will also be entering a wrestling athlete again this year. We have had strong showings in the past with multiple athletes winning their weight category at the Provincial level.

Attendance at home games is free and spectators are welcome to attend our gymnasium to show support for the Raider athletes. Come out and cheer for our red and black.

Mr. Kent Laubman has returned to the role of Athletic Director at Delview. Please reach out to Mr. Laubman by email ([klaubman@deltaschools.ca](mailto:klaubman@deltaschools.ca)) or visit [Delview Athletics Website](#) for more information on teams and schedules.

**IE- (Insufficient Evidence)** – An 'IE' will be given if not enough evidence has been submitted to provide an accurate assessment at this time.

### Grade 10-12

%- Percentage will be given to represent the student's current mark where sufficient evidence has been collected.

**IE- (Insufficient Evidence)** – An 'IE' will be given if students are currently not meeting the learning outcomes in a course, or if not enough evidence has been submitted to provide an accurate assessment at this time.

If you have any questions regarding your child's report card or classroom assessment, please reach out to the classroom teacher by email. The final day of Semester 1 is January 25<sup>th</sup> and final Semester 1 marks will be published on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## Core Competency Self-Assessment

Last week students and teachers engaged in review and/or discussion on the Core Competencies that are a part of the curriculum. The purpose of these discussions was to get students reflecting on how the core competencies are present in their daily lives.

The Core Competencies are sets of intellectual, personal, and social and emotional proficiencies that all students need in order to engage in deep, lifelong learning. They move from demonstrating competence in relatively simple and highly supported situations, to demonstrating independence in more complex and varied contexts. Competency development does not end with school graduation but continues in personal, social, educational, and workplace contexts ([Core Competencies - Ministry of Education](#)).

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, students completed a self-reflection on their understanding and application of the core competencies since the start of the school year. Students received an email with their response and their self-assessment is viewable in Google Classroom. The self- assessment will be completed two more times during the school year.

## Delview's Formal Day

On November 10th Delview's Raider Leadership class organized a 'Formal Day.'



Many of our staff and students dressed up as part of our theme day.



## Delview Goes Pink

On February 22nd Delview's Raider Leadership class organized 'Pink Day' Delview staff and students were pretty in pink!



Watch the TV's and notices around the school for more upcoming theme days at Delview.

## Remembrance Day Assembly - Nov. 9th

On Thursday November 9th, Delview held our annual Remembrance Day assembly.

Our Remembrance Day ceremony this year focused on the Legacy of Remembrance and specifically how our kindness and compassion towards one another need to be path forward. While Canada is not currently at war, we live in a world of conflict. The way we live our lives makes a difference, and we need to be the change we want to see in the world. A combination of

student speakers, multimedia, and music provoked students to ask questions about Remembrance, and how we as Canadian Citizens, Permanent

Residents, and Visiting Internationals, can honour the legacy of sacrifice by living our lives as well as we can, with respect, love, acceptance, and most of all, hope. Delview's 2023 Remembrance Day Ceremony is available for all families to view by clicking on the following link: [Delview's Remembrance Day Ceremony 2023](#)



Thank you to all our staff and students that were involved putting together this powerful ceremony for the Delview school community.

## Halloween Communication and Follow-Up

Due to events of Halloween in 2022, the Delta School District and the Delta Police Department (DPD) increased messaging to students and families with regards to their conduct at school and in the community around Halloween safety.

While DPD reported a number of liquor seizures from youth and some reports of vandalism, we are happy to report that the conduct we saw on Halloween this year was much improved from the previous year. We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to you and your child(ren) for keeping Halloween safe and fun for everyone. We are extremely proud of the way students conducted themselves.

## Delview Chess Tournament

This past week Delview started a Chess Tournament over the lunch hour. We had 22 students sign up to take part in the tournament which will continue into December. Good luck to all players!



## Live At Lunch

On Friday November 24th Delview held our first 'Live At Lunch' performances at our front entrance. Students signed up to. Perform a song of their choice in front of our school community.



Always impressed at the talent and confidence of our students, willing to perform in front of their peers. Watch the TV's for upcoming 'Live At Lunch' opportunities.

## Raider Leadership-Upcoming Event

December is always a busy month at Delview for activities. Once again the annual door decorating contest will be happening. The theme for this year's contest has yet to be revealed, but students will have just over 1 week to transform the school's classroom doors into a winter theme.

Candy cane gram sales will be happening in December to sweeten up someone's day. This is an opportunity for students to send along a candy cane and a note to a friend or crush to let them know they are being thought of.

Delview is also collecting new and lightly used winter clothing items, such as gloves, jackets, toques, and sweaters, to donate to people in need. Please give anything that you are able to for those that have less.

The school year will end with lots of spirit. The final week of school will have a different dress up theme each day culminating in our winter assembly on December 22nd.

## Careers 8 & 9

All Grade 8 & 9 students have now started their Careers curriculum, supported by Mr. Birt in the Career Center and housed on a Google Classroom. Careers 8 & 9 are delivered through an "X" block; therefore, students need to complete assignments outside of class time. Utilizing Flex time to complete these assignments is suggested. Parents can access all Careers 8 & 9 information and assignments through the following website:

[www.mrbirtcareers.weebly.com](http://www.mrbirtcareers.weebly.com)





## Flex Buddy Fridays!

Senior students and grade 8's hanging out in Flex Buddies Fridays.



Every Friday grade 8's can sign up for Flex Buddies and hang out with senior students, play games or get help with their course work. It's a great way to connect and meet other students!

## Robotics Club Competition

The month Delview's Robotics Club took part in the FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC). During this



challenger teams participate in a new game each year that requires them to design, build, test, and program autonomous and driver-operated robots, which must perform a series of tasks.

We look forward to tracking our team's progress through competitions throughout the school year.

## Provincial Assessments-Numeracy & Literacy

All students prior to graduation as part of the graduation program are required to complete three assessments (Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 & Literacy 12) in addition to the 80 credits (minimum requirement). Delview will be offering Provincial Assessments between January 23rd-26th and again in April and June. Ms. Oliver is overseeing assessments this year and will be communicating with students and sending information to families over the year.

## Grade 12 Students - CLC & Capstone

Students should have met with their Capstone Teacher Mentors, and submitted their Capstone Proposals to Mr. Birt via the CLC Google Classroom in order to gain approval to begin working on their Capstone Project. Please check the Google Classroom for which CLC assignments are due. Parents can view all information for CLC and Capstone at the following site:

[www.mrbirtcareers.weebly.com](http://www.mrbirtcareers.weebly.com)

## Graduation Photos

Graduating students are reminded to sign up for their grad composite photo (grad photos) with the Artona Photography Group. Artona will have a mobile studio in our main parking lot from February 20th-25th for students to book a photo session. For more information please visit their website: <https://artona.com/schools/DLVW>

## Scholarships

Below is information on scholarships available to students in British Columbia. Please visit the Delview Career Centre Website for more information.

### **SCHULICH LEADER SCHOLARSHIPS** (Nominated Scholarship)

Value: \$100,000 -**\$120,000** (Nominated Scholarship)

**Apply by:** DECEMBER 15, 2023 (Submit application to Mrs. Kaur in Career Centre)The Scholarship Committee will meet in early

January to choose the Delview nominee.

## STEMastery Club

This month Delview's STEMastery club welcomed over 50 Gibson students for the start of our STEMastery program.



Delview's new STEMastery program aims to increase accessibility and interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math for Gibson students. Weekly workshops are organized where Delview students provide one-on-one support to the elementary kids, tailoring lessons to fit their learning styles. Gibson students apply their knowledge with hands-on activities and lessons.

## Movember Campaign

Over the month of November a number of staff at Delview took part in the Movember Campaign, raising awareness and funds towards health and cancer research.



Delview's 'Crumb Catchers' team raised over \$2400 for Cancer research. Thank you to all that donated to our team.

For more details on the Schulich Leader Scholarships, go to:

<https://schulichleaders.com/apply?section=student>

**CMOLIK FOUNDATION** Value: \$45,000 x20

**Apply by:** December 15, 2023 (Nominated Scholarship) For more information, go to: <https://thecmolikfoundation.com/>

## UBC Entrance Awards 2023-24

UBC is strongly committed to recognizing students for academic excellence and leadership. Last year, UBC and its donors awarded \$15 million to incoming UBC students for excellent grades, community and school involvement, and demonstrated leadership. UBC International Student Entrance Award.

<https://you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/scholarships-awards-international-students/>

## SFU Entrance Award 2023-24:

Undergraduate Scholars Entrance Scholarship (USES) Program:

For Domestic and International Students. [https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS\\_Scholarships.html](https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS_Scholarships.html)

For Canadian citizens or permanent residents: [https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS\\_Awards\\_Bursaries.html](https://www.sfu.ca/students/financialaid/entrance/HS_Awards_Bursaries.html)

## KPU

Online applications for the 2024 KPU General awards is open until March 31, 2024. Please direct all questions about this Award

Guide to [awards@kpu.ca](mailto:awards@kpu.ca). <https://www.kpu.ca/awards/entrance-scholarship>

**TERRY FOX HUMANITARIAN AWARD:** Value: \$28,000

**Apply by:** DECEMBER 1, 2023 For an application and more details, go to: <https://terryfoxawards.ca/applicant-information/>

**BEEDIE LUMINARIES SCHOLARSHIPS** Value: \$44,000

The Beedie Luminaries Scholarships are for resilient students facing financial adversity and who have the academic readiness and desire to create positive change in their lives. The deadline to apply is January 8, 2024. <https://beedieluminaries.ca/grade-12-program/>

Learn more about The Beedie Luminaries Open House and how

### Counsellor Contact Info.

Counsellors are reviewing semester 1 mid-term reports and working closely with school staff and students to look at required supports. If a student would like to make an appointment with their counsellor, a QR code is available outside our counselling offices.

Below is the current alpha split for our counselling team:

Ms. R. Pooni (A-G)

[rpooni@deltaschools.ca](mailto:rpooni@deltaschools.ca)

Ms. R. Sharma (H-M)

[rsharma@deltaschools.ca](mailto:rsharma@deltaschools.ca)

Ms. L. Hughes (N-Z)

[lhughes@deltaschools.ca](mailto:lhughes@deltaschools.ca)

### Let's Connect!

Find us on the web:

<https://dl.deltasd.bc.ca/>

### Have You Downloaded the School App?

The Delview School App is available to download on the apple and google play store.

Download the app and follow your child(ren)'s grad channel:

Grade 8- 2028      Grade 11- 2025

Grade 9- 2027      Grade 12-2024

Grade 10-2026

to apply. November Virtual OPEN HOUSE – November 15 and November 30 Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/beedie-luminaries-33632395235>

**KIN CANADA BURSARIES** Value: \$1,000

Apply by: FEBRUARY 1, 2024 <https://www.kincanada.ca/apply>

### Sikh Heritage BC Scholarships:

Deadline: January 15, 2024, at 11:59pm

Sikh Heritage BC has established five scholarships of \$1,500 to provide funding for post-secondary education. These scholarships are available to BC high school students that are attending a Post-Secondary Institute in September

2024 regardless of their ethnicity, religion, or status in Canada.

More Details: <https://www.sikhheritagebc.ca/scholarships>

**REMAX QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE 2023** Value: \$1,000 x 40

Apply by: MARCH 13, 2024

Are you active in your community or do you have ideas on how to make it a better place to call "home?" Submit an essay up to 1,250 words and you could win \$1,000! For more information and to submit your application, go to:

<https://blog.remax.ca/quest-for-excellence/>

### More Scholarship Links:

BC Scholarships: <https://bcscholarships.ca/>

Student Scholarships: <https://studentscholarships.org/>

Scholarships Canada: <https://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>

Yconic: <https://yconic.com>

If you have any questions on scholarship or post-secondary applications, students are encouraged to see Mrs. Kaur in the Delview Career Centre or email her at [jakaur@deltaschools.ca](mailto:jakaur@deltaschools.ca).

## School Fees

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Families have now received notification of school fees. Fees are payable online using Parent Connect or by cheque, cash, or card at the Delview office. If paying by cash or cheque at the office, please include the student's name and grade. Thank you to all our families that have already paid their 2023-2024 student fees.

If you have any questions or require any assistance with school fees, please contact the Delview office at 604 594-5491 or email the Principal at [kvasconcelos@deltaschools.ca](mailto:kvasconcelos@deltaschools.ca)

## Permission Forms

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There are several forms on Parent Connect for you to review and authorize. Please login to Parent Connect, ( <https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignon.aspx> ) review the notices, and select the appropriate response to each form. Forms are:

Personal Information Consent Form, Permission for Google Classroom, Outside Media in Schools, Electronic Communications, Walking Field Trips Permission, BC Fruits and Vegetables Program Permission, Demographic Information, and Student Emergency Release.

If you require assistance logging into Parent Connect, please contact the office.

## Communication with Families

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Most of our communication with families is done electronically through our website, email, school app, MyED & Parent Connect. Please ensure you have provided us a current email address, updated contact information and you are able to log into Parent Connect and the MyED parent portal.

## Reporting Student Absence

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To report a student absence please:

1. Contact the school office by phone (604-594-5491) or
2. Notify the school by email [delview@deltaschools.ca](mailto:delview@deltaschools.ca)
3. Send a message through Parent Connect.

Absences should be reported as early as possible on the day of the absence to allow a Parent Advised code to be entered into the system. Any unreported absences will result in an automated email from the student system, which will email a message by default.





## Resources for Families

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### Winter Supports for Families

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With the holidays approaching both Delta Assist and the Surrey Christmas Bureau have now opened registration for families requiring help over the holidays. More information, along with registration and donation links can be found on their websites.

Delta Assist (<https://deltassist.com/community/christmas>)

Surrey Christmas Bureau (<https://christmasbureau.com/>)

### Safer Schools Together: Family Session-Social Media Awareness

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In partnership with The Ministry of Education and Childcare's erase strategy, due to high demand, Safer Schools Together are offering an additional "Social Media Awareness" Family Session on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. This 60 minute session will be held virtually via zoom.

To register for this session please click on the link below.

[Family Session: Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities Tickets, Tue, Dec 5, 2023 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

### Ministry of Child & Family Development: Have You Ever Thought of Becoming a Foster Parent?

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Do you share a desire to help children and youth reach their full potential?

Currently in B.C. there are many kids who need foster families when they can't live at home. Many of these children and teens have experienced trauma and difficult times.

The youth need amazing foster families who are committed to their care and provide support so that they can grow and develop in a positive way. Please see the link below for more information:

[Caring for children and youth in B.C. - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)

If this is something you would be interested in, or if you would like more information, please contact:

Ministry of Children & Family Development, South Fraser Recruitment Team (FII) at 604.209.2681.

## Important Dates to Note

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Festive Fuzzy Fundraiser- December 4th-22nd

Fine Arts Celebration- Wednesday, December 13th

Last Day Before Winter Break- Friday, December 22nd

Winter Break- December 25-January 5th

School Returns from Winter Break- Monday, January 8th



For a complete calendar of events, check out the Delview website: <https://dl.deltasd.bc.ca/>

Thank you to all our families for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact the Delview office (604 594 5491) if you have any questions.