



News from the Nest

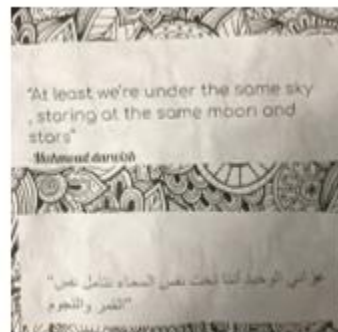
Feb 21-25 - Families



Spotlight on Learning: Deeper Learning In ELL

Six years ago, a student walked in the class wearing a shirt that said, "I may live in Canada, but my story begins in Mexico." That shirt inspired a poster which hangs in the ELL room and is used as an invitation for students to share their culture, their experiences, and their journey to Canada. During the deeper learning weeks, emergent ELL students created 'ignite' presentations: 20 visual slides, 15 seconds per slide, amazing stories. The final reflective piece was: *ask not, 'is this a good story?'- but, 'what is this story good for?'*

The Literary Studies 10 ELL class completed passion projects where they were encouraged to explore and visually present literature from their ethnic backgrounds, recognizing and highlighting important themes.



Welcome to our 20 new international students! These adventurous people from Japan, Italy, Mexico, and Brazil are already spreading their enthusiasm and quest for fun experiences. Next week, many of them are heading off to Manning Park with Mouat's outdoor education program to enjoy a day of skiing, snowboarding, and meeting other high school students from across the district.

Also, a warm welcome to Mouat's newest Hawks – newcomers from Afghanistan, Ghana, Lebanon, India, and Argentina. Each one of them enriches us with their hope, resilience, stories, and courage. We now have

97 ministry designated ELL students. The view from room 315 continues to grow!





Character Word of the Week – Caring

Acting from the virtue of caring involves eight features, which include not only that of being sensitive to, and concerned about but also that of being aware of, and sensitive to, the concept of care. In this way, caring is seen as an overarching quality that gives action its moral character.

Congratulations Wrestlers

Congrats to each of our Wrestlers who contributed points on our way to winning the Eastern Valley Championships in both Sr. Girls and Sr. Boys division with 9 Golds, 8 Silver and 4 Bronze – all these individuals qualified for Provincials. In addition, we had great results two weekends ago at the Port Alberni Invitational Tournament. As you can see we have some very good athletes and expect that they will do well at the BC's. . Much time and effort was put in by all and importantly, our coaches Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Fung. Huge shout out to Mr. Mitchell whose dedication to our students and to making Moutat a central location for all Wrestlers in the district has created opportunities for our student-athletes to excel.

Port Alberni Invitational Tournament	Eastern Valley Championships
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paradise Johnson 3rd • Gurnoor Sidhu 3rd • Jadan Deol 1st • Talon Trolland 2nd • Kentario Dennis 3rd • Michealjeet Grewal 1st • Tejvir Dhinsa 1st • Manraj Randhawa 3rd • Gurjot Sahota 1st 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold • Liam Wright • Gavin Wright • Natan Thiel • Sarah Thiel • Paradise Johnson • Omrad Dhadda • Tejvir Dhinsa • Silver • Nethanya Rodgers • Ellin Paw • Jagnoor Mann • Deepanjali Sharma • Pheonix Trolland • Kentario Dennis • Marja Randhawa • Bronze • Lakin Trolland • Mateo Coleman • Karan Grewal • Chanpreet Niggar

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Black History Month

On Monday, we ran a full school assembly as part of Black History Month. Dr. Kevin Godden spoke with our students on his experience as a first generation immigrant family moving from Jamaica to Vancouver, his lived experience as a person of colour through school and sport and the impact that individuals (mom, dad, teachers, coaches, etc.) can have on our personal journey. Dr. Godden waive his achievements in track and field into the story of Tommie Smith and John Carlos at the 1968 Olympics and the supporting role of Peter Norman.

School Spirit

Over the past few months, we have had the pleasure of a return to high school sports with a full volleyball, wrestling and basketball schedule. Our students have done an amazing job supporting their athlete peers and being respectful sport fans. This week our Sr. Boys closed out their season with wins against three tough competitors and our students cheered their efforts with much applause, a little drumming and some “ahh” moments. Thursday’s game against Abby Sr. saw a full capacity gym with a final score of 80-61 for Mouat.



Gold medalist Tommie Smith (center) and bronze medalist John Carlos (right) showing the raised fist on the podium after the 200 m race at the 1968 Summer Olympics; both wear Olympic Project for Human Rights badges. Peter Norman (silver medalist, left) from Australia also wears an OPHR badge in solidarity with Smith and Carlos.



PAC Meeting and Thank You

Reminder of our PAC Meeting this Tuesday at 7pm via Zoom which is a bit of pattern change due to Joint Partners engagement next Monday. Here is the details:

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 7pm via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

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Coming Up Next Week

Monday, February 20

- Family Day – No School

Tuesday, February 21

- CDBA
- Diversity Week – Celebration of Pride
WEAR THE RAINBOW
- Block D Gr 11 YDI Survey
- Block A – Gr 9 and 10 Don't be a Bystander Assembly
- PAC Meeting

Wednesday, February 22

- BADC
- Diversity Week - **Pink Shirt Day**
- Grad Photo Retakes
- Character Council
- Block D Gr 11 YDI Survey
- Thrive Leadership Mtg.
- Secondary PVP Student Voice
- Sr. Boys EVAA Playoffs

Thursday, February 23

- DCAB
- Diversity Week – Celebration of Neuro-Diversity – **WEAR PURPLE, BLUE OR RED**
- Art Showcase LC
- Grad Photo Retakes
- Block D Gr 11 YDI Survey
- Sr. Boys EVAA Playoffs

Friday, February 24

- CDBA
- Tutorial Time
- Diversity Week – Celebration of Cultural Diversity – **WEAR YOUR CULTURAL ATTIRE**
- Art Showcase LC
- Sr. Boys EVAA Playoffs

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Unit 23, 31550 South Fraser Way



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Mention you're Raising Dough for WJ Mouat.

5% of your purchase will be donated back to Mouat PAC!



Located at Gladwin Crossing
Unit 111, 2777 Gladwin Road

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THE BINS ACCEPT

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Purses
- Stuffies
- Linens

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