



COLLINGWOOD SCHOOL

NEWS & REMINDERS: MORVEN

December 7, 2018

**Message from the Head of Morven**

Dear Morven Families,

Term 2 learning is key and continues to gather momentum as students work with the more challenging application of skills and concepts in each area of study. Teaching and learning continues full throttle and it is important that students are at school before we start this special Holiday Season December 21. **The final full day of classes is Thursday, December 20.**

Important reminder to Grade 12 students and their families:

January 31, 2019: updated student marks (letter grades), as part of the Mid-Year Report, are sent by the University Guidance Office to all U.S. Universities.

January 31, updated marks (%), as part of the Mid-Year Report, are sent at student request to Canadian Universities.

Please contact your child's University Guidance Counsellor for further detailed information.

Monday, December 10 Morven proudly hosts the school's fifth annual school-wide **Public Speaking Day**. All students enrolled in English 8-12 just completed the "class rounds" in preparation for this whole-school event. More than 170 students moved to the "finals" presenting in seven speaking styles for this year's competition: Persuasive, Ted Talks, Ted Talks, Dramatic Interpretation, Interpetive Reading, Dramatic Monologues, and Spoken Work Poetry. All students will complete Public Speaking Analysis activities and participate in the Celebration showcase. Accolades to our faculty and students for their commitment to grow and showcase excellence in public speaking – one of the defining features of our Collingwood graduates.

Please Note: due to the changed format and high number of student speakers we are not able to invite parents to attend as in previous years. We will ensure that the finals are taped and posted online for your viewing pleasure.

The Visual Arts Department invites our families to attend **FROST: A Winter Art Show** Wednesday, December 12 from 3:30 -5:00pm in the hallway near the Art Studios. The show captures the early steps of a year-long philosophy for our student artists to develop work that is rich in content, layered in techniques, and personal to each student. Please join us!

The Dance Program will be presenting the Student Choreography Show in the Darlene S. Howard Theatre Wednesday, December 12 and Thursday, December 13 at 7:00pm. Dances have been created by the students – from the music selection, to the choreography, to the costumes chosen. The students and faculty welcome you!

With very best wishes as you prepare for the holidays.

Classes Resume: Monday, January 14, 2019

Dr. Beverley von Zielonka  
Head of Morven



**Frost, a Winter Art Show**  
Wednesday, December 12  
4:00 - 6:00pm

On Wednesday, December 12th, you are invited to *Frost, a Winter Art Show*, from 4-6 pm at the Morven Campus in the Art studios. Photographs, graphic designs, paintings, mixed media and short films will be the mediums on display.

In the FROST exhibit, you won't see work in glass frames, or in traditional exhibition spaces. Instead, you will see experiments with various techniques, materials and processes in small scale, often unpolished works. We call these small skill based challenges "bootcamps" or "skillcamps" in class.

The early work you will see at the show will eventually lead to larger scale, more complex and more personally directed projects which will be unveiled at the Year end Art Show in May.



**Student Choreography Show**  
Wednesday, December 12 and Thursday, December 13  
7:00pm, Darlene S. Howard Theatre

The Collingwood Dance Program presents their annual Student Choreography Show at 7pm on Wednesday, December 12 and Thursday, December 13 in the Darlene S. Howard Theatre. This is always a fantastic show that highlights the many talented dancers and focuses on the creativity within the art of choreography. Tickets will be available at the door for \$10 for family and friends. There are complimentary tickets for Collingwood students, faculty and staff.

The culminating pieces highlight the work of the senior dance classes through term one. In this project, the students study elements of dance – time, space and energy – and explore different aspects of the choreographic process. Through improvisations, problem-solving and short movement studies, students discover their movement vocabulary. By nature, we are all dancers, with or without wishes of training. The choreographic process, whether one wishes to be a choreographer or not, is a superb model for thinking, assembling and creating. These skills are transferable to other modes of artistic creation and, of course, all other fields. Creativity is important everywhere we go.



**Grad 2019 Fundraiser**  
Scarves for Water

Help our Grad Class of 2019 raise funds to build a well in Bidi Bidi, South Sudan by purchasing a scarf from the Obakki Foundation, *Scarves for Water Collection*.

Visit [here](#) for information on how to order.

**Admissions, Enrolment & Financial Aid**

January 8, 2019: Financial Aid application deadline for 2019-2020 for Grade 6-12 students whose families demonstrate financial need.

January 15, 2019: application deadline for *external* students to apply to Grade 1-12 for the 2019-2020 school year.

February 4-15, 2019: annual Re-Registration for your child/children enrolled *currently* in JK-Grade 11.

For more information on any of the above, contact our Director of Enrolment & Financial Aid, Janis Clark, [janis.clark@collingwood.org](mailto:janis.clark@collingwood.org) / 604.925.3331 Ext 2293.

**General Uniform Reminder**

To wear the Collingwood uniform properly is a point of pride. Please be reminded of our Uniform Policy [here](#). If you are missing certain items of your uniform, please order them from our uniform provider, InSchoolWear, [here](#).



**Tartan Fund 2019**

It's not too late to give! We are striving for 100% participation for this important fund that fuels students' dreams.

[Donate](#)

**Important Dates:**

**Robotics Competition**

Saturday, Dec. 8  
10:00am - 4:00pm

Our 4 robotics teams will be at West Vancouver Secondary tomorrow participating in a robotics competition. This is a huge competition with close to 100 teams taking part! Our teams will be competing at various times throughout the day. No matter what time you come, you're sure to see some Collingwood robots in action!

**Morven Public Speaking Day**

Monday, Dec. 10  
8:30pm - 3:10pm

**Frost, A Winter Art Show**

Wednesday, Dec. 12  
4:00pm - 6:00pm

**Student Choreography Dance Show**

Dec. 12 & 13  
7:00pm  
Darlene S. Howard Theatre

**School Calendar**

For all upcoming school events please visit [here](#).

**Athletics**

For all upcoming Athletics events view the [Athletics Calendar](#).



**Photo of the Week**

This morning, the Grade 12s hosted their kindie buddies for a breakfast with Santa!

For more photos of all Collingwood School activities, follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Instagram](#)!



**Congratulations Muneet & Kayleigh!**

Muneet Gill and Kayleigh Garland were awarded \$1000 scholarships as part of The Big Ticket Basketball tournament presented by Venue Kings and Omni. The winners were chosen from the participating 16 teams based on character, academics, service and contributions to basketball.

**Service Opportunities**

For all upcoming service opportunities and initiatives, please visit [here](#).

**Round Square News**

Diversity Days student reflection on the blog, [RS Echo](#) and updates in the gallery [here](#).

**Resource Corner**

Technology and youth

Subscribe to the [Tech Talk Tuesday newsletter](#) to receive conversation starters about social media, video game use, tech tips, latest research and more. Dr. Delaney Ruston, the filmmaker of "Screenagers", shares weekly topics to help manage and decrease kids' screen time.



**Inclement Weather**

In the event of snow and school closures, you will find information posted to the [homepage](#), [Students](#) and [Parents](#) pages of our website by 6:30 am.