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# HAZELTON SECONDARY NEWS

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Welcome to the start of the 2016/2017 school year. I hope that everyone had a restful summer and that everyone has settled into the first month of school.

I would like to welcome several new teachers and support staff to our team at Hazelton Secondary School: Mr. Butz is joining us to teach junior math and sciences and to be our Careers teacher; Ms. Reviakin and Ms. Willan are both teaching English and Social Studies; Mr. Tomlinson is our woodwork and guitar teacher for this semester; Mrs. Wiebe is our school counselor; and Mrs. Paranich is our new secretary. Ms. Sturney is running our cafeteria this year.

Volleyball and cross country running have started. A big thank you to all our coaches and sponsors: Mrs. Giguere, Ms. Reviakin, Mrs. Van Tunen, Mr. Daniels, Ms. Brlecic, Mr. Yee, Mr. Jack, Mrs. Thomas, and Mr. Melanson. Additionally, lunch time intramurals sports have started. Soccer is first on the schedule.

I would also like to issue a big thank you to Mrs. Spooner, Mrs. Paranich, Mr. Webb, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Alexander, Mrs. Wiebe and Ms. Thorburn. All have been working very hard in the office to make our school start-up as smooth as possible and to be available to support your child.

I am proud to work with this strong team of educators who are committed to supporting our students in having a successful year. I encourage you to stay up to date via our school website and newsletters. We are going to have a great year here at HSS.

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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

**September 22** – Open House, 5:00-7:00pm

**September 23** – Pro-D day

**September 28.** – Grad 2017/Parent meeting, 6pm - Library

**September 29** - Terry Fox Run, BBQ, Soccer game.

**October 6** - School Photo Day

**October 10** - Thanksgiving holiday

**October 21** – Pro-D day

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**SCHOOL WEBSITE:** Check it out for all the latest information and updates!

[hazeltonsec.cmsd.bc.ca](http://hazeltonsec.cmsd.bc.ca)

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## WELCOME BACK OPEN HOUSE

I want to invite all students, parents, and guardians to our Open House night on Thursday, September 22, from 5-7pm. We will do proper teacher introductions and provide some time for parents and guardians to meet and visit. Refreshments will be provided.

### Numeracy Support Teacher

Stacey Brown is continuing to work as a Numeracy Support Teacher for HSS. She will be assisting our students with building their math skills, and supporting teachers with their math courses. Getting your student help early in the semester will set them up for success.

### HSS Counselling Department

Welcome back to school everyone! The counseling department at HSS provides academic and personal counseling services for all students. As we embark on a new school year it is important to remember and practice a few important tips for student success:

- Eat at least three balanced meals each day
- Get a good night sleep each night
- Limit the amount of time spent on social media and using electronic devices
- Limit the amount of time watching television
- Do homework everyday
- Try to do a physical activity every day
- Make learning a priority
- Ask for help when you need it

We are looking forward to working with the school community throughout the school year. The HSS Counselling Team is:

- Mrs. Wiebe – Counsellor
- Mr. Webb – Rehabilitation Worker
- Ms. Jackson and Mr. Alexander – First Nations Support Worker
- Ms. Morgan – Teacher-Counsellor

Have a great year everyone!

## VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE TIMES

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
3:30 – 5:00	Jr. Girls	Grade 8 Girls	Jr. Girls	Sr. Girls
5:00 – 6:30	Jr. Boys	Sr. Girls	Junior Boys	Grade 8 Girls

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## MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

Mr. Strachan has started a mountain bike club. All bikes – BMX, Dirt Jumpers, Mountain Bikes - are welcome. They will meet every Wednesday from 3:30 – 5:00pm.

## IMPORTANT PARENT REMINDERS

- If you are dropping your child off at school in the morning or picking him/her up at the end of the day, **please use the student parking lot**. Do not block the road or the driveway, and do not use the staff parking lot for pick-ups/drop-offs. Please respect the busses, which have the right of way in the loop.
- Please return the forms that were sent home the first week of school to be signed – verification forms, media release, etc. These contain important information for our records.
- Please contact the school in the morning if your child is going to be absent from school so that they can be excused.
- Be sure to have read the new **School Code of Conduct** and **Attendance/Late Policy**.
- Hazelton Secondary is equipped with surveillance cameras, for safety and security.
- Please let the office know your email address if you would like our newsletters emailed to you.

## Hazelton Secondary School Clothing

We have hoodies, sweatpants, shorts, long and short sleeve T-shirts, jackets, and house team shirts available for purchase in the office. Prices range from \$15-\$50. HSS water bottles are \$8.