




OCTOBER 30th to Nov 3rd 2023

Monday Oct 30 th	Tuesday Oct 31 st	Wednesday Nov 1 st	Thursday Nov 2 nd	Friday Nov 3 rd
ABCD	ABCD	<u>PLT</u> ABCD	<u>PLT</u> ABCD	ABCD
GLA 10 @ 8:30am GLA 12 @ 12:00 pm	 Halloween	Grade 9 Take Our Kid to Work Day GLA 10 @ 8:30am GLA 12 @ 12:00 pm	GLA 10 @ 8:30am GLA 12 @ 12:00 pm	

Graduation Literacy Assessment Grades 10 and 12

The **GRADUATION LITERACY ASSESSMENT 10 (GLA 10)** will be held at Palmer Secondary School on the days of Monday, October 30th, Wednesday, November 1st and Thursday, November 2nd, **beginning promptly at 8:30am**. All current Grade 10 students (and any grade 11-12 students who have not written the GLA 10) are registered to write the GLA 10. The provincial assessment will be administered in rooms 114, 116 and 141. Student room assignments are posted in the student lounge.

The **GRADUATION LITERACY ASSESSMENT 12 (GLA 12)** will be held at Palmer Secondary School on the days of Monday, October 30th, Wednesday, November 1st and Thursday, November 2nd, **beginning promptly at 12 noon**. All current Grade 12 students are registered to write the GLA 12. The provincial assessment will be administered in rooms 114, 116 and 141. Student room assignments are posted in the student lounge.

For more information, please visit our school website: <https://palmer.sd38.bc.ca/news/2023/10/grade-10-12-graduation-literacy-assessment-oct-30-nov-3>



Winter Formal – November 23rd
Grad Committee is very excited to be hosting their first big event of the year for our Grads of 2024 - Winter Formal at the Mayfair Lakes Golf and Country Club. The evening will include a delicious buffet dinner, a photo backdrop and fun activities led by Grad Committee. Students may purchase their tickets on School Cash Online and complete their parent permission form by Thursday, November 2nd.

Feeding Futures

Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to our vice principal, Ms. Hagarty at nhagarty@sd38.bc.ca. We are gathering information and look to provide ongoing support wherever possible. Implementation plans are underway, and we want to ensure families are aware, and as always, able to reach out if they require support. All requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that your children have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Grade 9 Take Your Kid To Work Day

Reminder to parents of Grade 9 students that Wednesday, November 1st is Grade 9 Take Your Kid To Work Day! Please see our [website](#) for further details! Grade 9s have a wonderful Work Day!



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov 5	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov 7	Collaboration Day – PLT Bell Schedule
Nov 9	University of Alberta Presentation at Lunch
Nov 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 13	Statutory Holiday (in lieu of Remembrance Day) School Closed
Nov 14	PAC Meeting at 7:00 pm
Nov 20	SFU Presentation at Lunch
Nov 22	Evacuation Drill #3 at 10:45 am
Nov 23	Semester 1 Mid-Term Learning Updates Published
Nov 24	Grade 9 Immunizations
Nov 27	Winter Athletics Begin
Nov 29	SFU Beedie Presentation at Lunch

“Trick or Treat” Others with Respect

Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices with colleagues and students and requires consideration. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other 'dress up' events. A few things to keep in mind: It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT Costumes:
RACE (black face/brown face)
CULTURE (Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks)
RELIGIOUS FAITH (religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab)
GENDER (gender switching for humour or to mock)
TRAUMA (hangman's noose/weapons)

Personal Learning Time – Wednesday and Thursday

During PLT time, the school is open to all students, and teachers are onsite. Students will have access to teachers and departments, and a place/space to engage in their learning individually or collaboratively. Please visit our [website](#) for further details and information regarding signing up!



PLT / Collaboration Bell Schedule

8:30-9:25	PLT
9:30-10:35	Block A
10:40-11:45	Block B
11:45-12:00	Nutrition Break
12:00-1:05	Block C
1:05-1:50	Lunch
1:55-3:00	Block D

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓** (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

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