

# *Nakusp Secondary School Newsletter*

June 1, 2009

“Prove it Possible”

## Principal's Message

With just two weeks of classes left, our school is gearing up for many of our year-end activities such as Grade 7 BBQ and Orientation, Grade 12 breakfast and preparing for final exams. The grad banquet and ceremony are at the end of the month, so the Grads are working hard at decorations, pictures, write-ups, post-secondary planning, completing work experience requirements, and beginning to concentrate on preparing for final and provincial exams.

A reminder to grads and their parents that only those students who have paid all their mandatory fees (students council, grad) will be permitted to participate in the graduation banquet on Friday, June 26th, and ceremonies on Saturday June 27th. Please take care of these fees by June 16th. If you are not sure what they are, please contact our secretaries, Alice McKee or Lisa Bateman.

Parents will have already seen the course selection forms for next year. At any time, if you have questions, please contact the school.

A Final Exam Schedule is included with this newsletter.

Kees van der Pol

## Important Dates:

June 04	Grade 7 BBQ & Orientation
June 11	Grade 12 Pancake Breakfast!!
June 16	Last day of classes (8—12)
June 17-19	Final Exams
June 21	Father's Day
June 17-25	Provincial Exams (10—12)
June 24	Graduation Practice-must attend
June 25	Year End Awards Day (10:00AM) Final Report Cards Issued
June 26	Graduation Banquet- 6pm Administration Day—
June 27	Schools Close Graduation Ceremony- 1pm

## Grade 7 Orientation and BBQ

Thursday, June 4, 2009  
5:00 PM

Grade 7 parents and students annual BBQ and orientation/information evening. Come out and meet some of the NSS staff that will be teaching your child in their high school years; get familiar with the school and the programs it has to offer.

### **VSS Offers Online Tutoring Just in Time for Exams**

LearnNowBC (LNBC), an online educational portal operated by the Virtual School Society, provides students with free access to a variety of tutoring services, in 22 courses and 14 subjects from Grades 9 to 12, to assist them to prepare for exams.

*Charged up for Math and Science*, available 24 hours a day seven days a week, gives students the opportunity to sample provincial exam questions and also offers streaming video explanations.

*StudyBUZZ*, available 24 hours a day seven days a week, allows students to test themselves and assess which areas of study require more review and practice.

*Live Tutor*, available Sundays through Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., provides students with the ability to speak to peer tutors, as well as to access course content and sample tests.

In addition to providing access to tutoring, LearnNowBC (LNBC) gives learners online access to: over 2500 courses offered by schools in BC's public education system, library resources and academic and career advising . LNBC also provides information and resources for parents (e.g., cybersafety videos – tips on keeping kids safe in an online environment).

[www.learnnowbc.ca](http://www.learnnowbc.ca)

## A NOTE FROM THE LIBRARY

The library's ongoing new addition of books have again been popular this year with students and staff.

As the end of the school year approaches, please return all borrowed books to the library.

## Work Experience

***Many Grade 11 and 12 students are finalizing their Work Experience.***

***All paperwork is due to Mrs. Smolik no later than Friday, June 5th.***

***Congratulations to our girls soccer team for placing 7th in the Provincial A tournament this past weekend.***

***Nakusp finished 2nd out of the public schools that competed in the tournament and they played very well, particularly against the Kelowna Christian team, which came 2nd overall in the tournament.***

***Hannah Holden was selected to the tournament all star team and Brenna Leitch was selected as most valuable player in Nakusp's victory over Whistler.***

***A huge thank-you goes out to Rod Morrison, tournament co-ordinator and his team of volunteers for putting on a most successful tournament.***

## GRADUATION UPDATE

Graduation weekend will soon be upon us; only FOUR more weeks to go. The following requirements must be met in order for Grade 12 students to take part in the Graduation Banquet and Ceremonies:

- All grad fees and student's council fees must be paid in full
- Work Experience completed

Memory book pages are needed ASAP. Remember to Email 10 photos to [tholden@sd10.bc.ca](mailto:tholden@sd10.bc.ca).

Grad 2009 Ceremonies will be on June 27<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 pm. Hope to see you there.

The Decorating Committee meets Tuesday's, 3:15—4:30. Please join if you are interested.

Congratulations  
Jean Doherty of Canal Flats  
Winner of the Grad 2009 Raffle.

