



# MERRITT SECONDARY SCHOOL

## January 2025 Newsletter



### MSS February Course Fair

MSS invites students and families to our Course Fair on February 20th from 5-7 PM! Explore the exciting courses MSS has to offer, learn about graduation requirements, trades programs, extracurricular activities, and get valuable course planning guidance for the upcoming year. Our dedicated staff will be on hand to support and inspire your choices. Don't miss this opportunity to plan your future at MSS!

### Students Hard At Work



### Grad 2025

Please ensure 2025 graduates are checking their SD58 E-mail regularly. Important information will be sent as it becomes available.

The next grad meeting is **Wednesday, February 5th, 2025.**

### De-Colonizing the Code of Conduct We want to hear from you!

Mr. Ian Paluck is working to decolonize the MSS Code of Conduct. Guided by The First Peoples Principles of Learning, The Circle of Courage, and The Seven Grandfather Teachings, he is revising the language within the document to reflect these values.

He welcomes your input! If you have any thoughts on this initiative or would like more information, please contact Ian Paluck at [ipaluck@365.sd58.bc.ca](mailto:ipaluck@365.sd58.bc.ca).

Code of Conduct: <https://mss.sd58.bc.ca/code-of-conduct/>



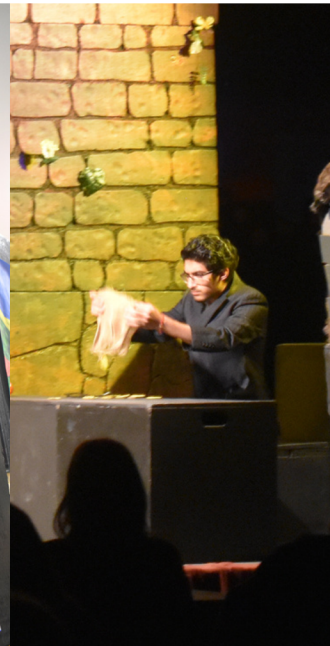
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### Artscape

On Monday, January 27th, Merritt Secondary School became a hub of artistic expression. Visitors were welcomed by stunning artwork from Mrs. Dunn's art class and captivating photography from Mrs. Kinchella's students. Stepping into the multipurpose room, guests experienced Mr. Swan's senior drama students bring Shakespeare's Timon of Athens to life. The evening concluded with a dynamic musical performance featuring Mr. Ward-Theiss and the Grade 7 band, alongside Ms. Dunbar and all MSS bands, leaving the audience inspired. Thank you to everyone who participated in celebrating the incredible talent.



### Riddle of the Month

The more you take, the more you leave behind.  
What am I?

Use link to enter to win a prize:

[Riddle Answer](#)

### Important Dates:

- February 7th – Grade 9 – 12 Report 2 Home
- February 14th – Pro-D Day
- February 17th – Family Day – MSS Closed
- February 20th - MSS Course Fair 5-7pm

