



# The Midpointe

News and opinion for Southpointe Academy Families

## April 7, 2011

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# SPRING HAS SPRUNG

The Spring Term has sprung upon us with surprising speed. September seems but yesterday!

The return from Spring Break is always full of travellers' tales –no exception this year. The Grade 12's, now embarking on their final months here, returned from their European Odyssey bursting with new light shining on old knowledge, and with experiences that they find hard to understand. They struggle with retained images of children from Israel seemingly unmoved and uninterested at Auschwitz and of British teens noisily yobbing among the war graves of Ypres, while uncaring teachers ignored their inappropriate antics. At the same time, they revel in the recollection of overnight trains, Europe's largest shopping mall, the sights and sounds of Paris and the companionship of peers.

I revel in the glowing reports from their teachers about their co-operation, behaviour, manners and maturity.

At the beginning of the break, our inaugural Grade 10 French partner school visit returned after a fine experience. A few fine days in Paris were followed by a program in Lyon arranged by our partner school. Our students were guests in French homes and thus had the opportunity to practise their language skills in an authentic way. They had a productive and most enjoyable visit and we have been warmly complimented by the school Principal who received very positive commentary from the host parents, the teachers, and the host students.

Such experiences as these are immensely valuable. They teach our students more in a day than they could learn in a month in the classroom. Like Ulysses, we 'shall not cease from travel' for it is a great educator.

## MUSICAL NIGHTS

The students in the MYP have been working hard to prepare a memorable performance for us. Coming soon –'Fiddler on the Roof'. Ticket sales start on Monday next and the Box Office, in EduCafe, will be open before and after school and at lunchtimes. There are just 120 tickets per night available, so please buy your tickets early. For dates and times, please see the poster in this edition of Midpointe.

## COMING UP

Hot on the heels of a highly successful Multi-Cultural Festival comes the Spring Fair on May 7<sup>th</sup>. This year, it is being organized by the Prefects and Student Council guided by Ms. Huber. They will, I know, ensure a day of fun and friendship, with something for everyone. They will, too, welcome ideas and helpers, so if you would like to be involved, please let us know by contacting the Front Office who will be happy to pass your name to Ms. Huber.

The Golf Tournament Committee is hard at work, too. Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup> is the day. We invite all golfers and golfer wannabees to join us for what has always proved to be a hugely enjoyable event.

The proceeds of the Tournament go to provide bursaries and scholarships which in turn allow those of our students whose families are experiencing a serious downturn in fortunes to remain in our school.

## LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Please note that I shall be sending important information about next year, including the term dates, academic summer school dates, transition meeting updates etc. next Monday evening via your school e-mail. Please be sure to read this communication.

Have a good weekend,

*Graham Baldwin*

### Building Update

The outside structure is complete!

Now it's just a matter of adding in floors, walls, and windows, and filling the space inside.

North Side



South Side



Southeast Corner



# Southpointe Academy Presents . . .



Performances  
Tuesday to  
Thursday  
April 19th - 21st

\$10:00

Call  
604-948-8826

A part of the **BROADWAY JUNIOR COLLECTION**  
Book by **Joseph Stein** Music by **Jerry Bock** Lyrics by **Sheldon Harnick**

Fiddler On The Roof was one of the last big successes in an era of great musicals on Broadway. It is a fascinating musical filled with themes relating to family, love, dignity, and the importance of tradition. Please come out and support Southpointe Academy's MYP as they are an inspiring group of individuals.

# Glowing Reports for the Southpointe Academy IB Programme!

In the last two days of term two before Spring Break, the FYP teachers participated in an International Baccalaureate consultation visit. Mr. Randy Koch, a principal from an IB World School in Minneapolis, came to investigate and critique the work we had done so far. He also provided us with some recommendations for taking the next step in our IB journey.

In a busy school year, it is often difficult to see the forest for the trees. As I toured Mr. Koch around the schools, down the halls and through our classrooms, it provided me with the opportunity to reflect on the big picture and how far we have come in the past few years. It is always encouraging to receive positive feedback from a relatively unbiased visitor ... and positive feedback is exactly what Mr. Koch provided! He was impressed by the amount of work our FYP teachers had put into planning their units and infusing the ideals of IB into the classroom. He confirmed that we are well on track and charging forward at a good pace.

What most impressed him; however, was the overall quality of our teachers. Much like the learner profile attributes we are striving to instill in our students, Mr. Koch was surprised by our *knowledgable*, *open-minded*, and *reflective* faculty. He was impressed with the extent to which they have embraced the principles of the IB program and was able to give us practical advice for how to incorporate those qualities as we continue to move forward.

Thus far in our process to become a fully fledged IB World School, we have submitted Application A and therefore are considered a "candidate school". Our IB consultant has confirmed that we are well on our way to the final stage in this process. In October 2011, we plan on submitting Application B. Shortly after, we will receive an evaluation visit and pending a successful outcome, we will be granted our full IB status! If everything works out as planned, this should be just as we are moving over to the new campus!



Mr. Bruce Griffioen

## SCHOOL NEWS

### DAFFODIL DAY, PYJAMA DAY & PANCAKE DAY

IS FINALLY HERE!

APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2011



For a minimum \$5 donation come enjoy two hot pancakes and your choice of drink. As a special bonus you get to wear your pyjamas! All monies raised will be donated to cancer research, come out and support- wear your Daffodil Day pin with pride!

For any further information feel free to contact Iman Virji and Colin Sommerfield at:  
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**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

### Knapsacks for Street Youth

From **April 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>**, the MYP and GYP students will be participating in a new fundraiser called the "Knapsacks for Street Youth Campaign". Along with other schools across B.C, we will help support the homeless youth on the streets of Vancouver. From as young as the age of thirteen to eighteen, these teenagers come to the campaign in search of simple necessities from toiletries to bus tickets or warm winter clothing! During that week, every homeroom of the MYP and GYP will be given two to three backpacks to fill up with a variety of these necessities. As well, to start of the campaign, we had experienced social workers (Mr. John Kehler and Mrs. Cara Sinclair) from the foundation will come to explain to us the importance of our support and aid. Our care and participation will help these teenagers get off the streets and progress into a safer future!





**2011 Southpointe Academy**  
**Spring Fair**  
**Saturday, May 7th**



**“Spring Today for Tomorrow’s School”**  
**~Save this date on your calendar~**

***The Spring Fair is well into the planning stages. We would like this notice to inform everyone of our progress thus far as well as to provide information on upcoming request for participation.***

**Bottle Booth:** Our last bottle collection day went very well in collecting inventory of bottles for the fair. The Prefects are in the process of counting our totals to date. This booth is always very popular and usually runs out before the end of the day. We would like ensure that we have a sufficient amount of bottles this year so we will be asking for another 2 bottles from everyone on our next casual day...stay tuned!

**Tea Room:** We will have our Tea Room again this year.

**Garage Sale:** The very popular garage sale is returning to the fair this year! It is time for Spring cleaning...We will be collecting donations starting Saturday, April 30th. Drop off times are listed below:

**Saturday April 30th: 12 pm – 4pm**  
**Sunday, May 1st: 12 pm – 4 pm**  
**Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>: 8 am–9 am or 2pm – 4pm**  
**Friday, May 6th: 9 am – 2 pm**

All donations can be dropped of at Ms. Huber’s classroom in the North Building.



**General Store:** The general store will be selling the very enticing jars again this year. In the near future, a casual day will be offered to the students providing they bring a jar of goodies to donate to the store. More information to follow...

**Midway:** Our Grads will have many exciting games for all ages!

**Basket Booth:** We are repeating our popular gift basket booth at the Spring Fair. MYP and GYP Homeroom classes will have a basket theme to contribute towards starting next week. Each student will be asked to bring at least one item for their class basket. Remember, the greater selection and variety of items in each basket, the more interesting and desirable the finished baskets will be. Information will be shared during Homeroom time and communicated to the students through the daily announcements. Look for an update next week...

**Silent Auction:** We will have an area designated for a silent auction. We are looking for donations from our parent community. We would greatly appreciate items for this section of our fair. Please contact Amanda Huber for more details.

## **Volunteers**

Volunteers are a very important part of our fair – it is what makes our fair so successful. We have many student volunteers eager to help who will be designated to different areas of the fair. It is integral too that we have sufficient parent volunteers. If you are able to help for the entire day or even for a few hours, please contact Amanda Huber ([amanda.huber@spacademy.ca](mailto:amanda.huber@spacademy.ca)). As always we appreciate all of the time, effort, and donations you contribute to support all of our events at Southpointe Academy! We hope to see you all on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the "Spring Today for Tomorrow's School Fair."

Sincerely,

Amanda Huber, Lucy Ferreira, the Prefects and your MYP Student Council

## **AT THE FAIR, LOOK FORWARD TO.....**



CAKE WALK



WII ROOM



KARAOKE



BINGO



CAR WASH



GENERAL STORE



PORTRAIT STUDIO



BOOK FAIR



50/50 DRAW



PIE-EATING CONTEST



FACE PAINTING



MIDWAY GAMES



**Southpointe Academy Golf Tournament**  
Texas Scramble Format

June 3, 2011  
Beach Grove Golf Club  
5946 12th Avenue, Tsawwassen, BC

11:30am Registration & Lunch  
1:00pm Shotgun Start  
6:30pm Cocktails  
7:00pm Dinner & Evening's Activities

## Entry Form

Entry Fee: \$250 per player or \$900 per foursome  
(includes golf, lunch, buffet dinner and pre-registration goody bag)

If uncertain as to your teammates at this time, please return this entry form with your name, team name and contact number to reserve space for your foursome. We will contact you in mid May to confirm your team members.

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt (Please Select): Mens / Ladies Size: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large

Player 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt (Please Select): Mens / Ladies Size: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large

Player 3 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt (Please Select): Mens / Ladies Size: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large

Player 4 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt (Please Select): Mens / Ladies Size: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large



Office of the Chief Executive

Dear Friends of Southpointe Academy,

Mark Twain thought it ruined a good walk whilst William Wordsworth thought it 'strenuous idleness'. What is it? Why, golf, of course—the eighteen-hole kind!

We at Southpointe think it's a great means to a worthy end, for we use the funds our tournament raises to provide financial aid for deserving students. So, we can't promise that your score will improve by playing, but we can promise that our world will improve by your paying!

We invite you to help us make this a record-breaking year for our Financial Aid Fund by becoming a Titan Tournament Sponsor. If you accept this invitation, we promise you excellent exposure at our event, our sincere gratitude, and the chance to assist a student in need to flourish and succeed. In that way, we offer you the rarest and most profound of chances—the chance to touch the future.

We do understand very well that many worthwhile causes compete for your support; we hope that you will feel that excellent education deserves your kind consideration.

The details of the various sponsorship opportunities are attached.

Thank you very much for considering us.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Baldwin

CEO

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*The 9th Annual*  
**Southpointe Academy**  
Scholarship & Bursary Golf Tournament



### 2011 Southpointe Golf Tournament Contribution Form

Platinum Tournament Sponsor ..... \$5,000 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Complete event recognition - single billing on interior and exterior signage, exposure in all pre and post event media communications, full page advertisement in the catalogue, a foursome for golf and two power carts.

Gold Sponsor ..... \$3,000 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Combined billing on interior and exterior event signage, exposure in pre and post event media communications, a half page advertisement in the catalogue, a golf twosome and one power cart.

Silver Sponsor ..... \$2,000 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Combined billing on interior and exterior signage, exposure in pre and post event media communications, a quarter page advertisement in the catalogue, a single round of golf and one power cart.

Bronze Sponsor ..... \$1,000 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Listing in pre and post event communications, listing on event signage, recognition on a hole sponsorship and a listing in the catalogue.

Hole Sponsor ..... \$ 500 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Table Sponsor ..... \$ 250 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Foursome ..... \$ 900 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Single ..... \$ 250 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Power Cart ..... \$ 50 x \_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please fill out the entry form on the back.)*

I would like to support the scholarship & bursary fund directly with a donation of\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL REMITTED ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	<input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard	No.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Expiry Date: ____/____/____		Signature: _____							
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque		(Please make payable to: Southpointe Academy)						<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
<i>Please send payment to: Southpointe Academy 2011 Golf Tournament</i> 1741 56th Street, Tsawwassen, BC V4L 2B2 Tel: (604)948-8826 Fax: (604)948-8853									

Auction Item(s): Detailed description of item/experience(s), restrictions that may apply and estimated value. If several items, please list value of each item. (Unless otherwise noted here, donations will be valid until Dec31st, 2011)\*

Donor Name (as you would like to be acknowledged): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a charitable donation tax receipt (if applicable)? Y N

\*Tax receipts will be issued for all qualifying donations.



**Calling Golfers of All Levels!  
First Come First Serve**

**Reserve your Foursome spot now and organize your team later.  
Submit your "ENTRY FORM" today for the  
9th Annual Southpointe Academy Scholarship and Bursary Golf Tournament.  
(sign up forms now available in the main and primary buildings)**

**Don't miss the fun, the food,  
and the chance to help out with a good cause!**

## **GYP NEWS**

U of Vic is holding an open house on May 13 and 14. Students and their families have access to professors, current students, campus tours and representatives from housing, co-op education, athletics, recreation, student services, and financial aid. Students are welcome to attend the Saturday only session or go for the Friday and Saturday sessions. Visit [www.uvic.ca/experience](http://www.uvic.ca/experience) for program details, special rates for accommodations and to sign up. You can also contact [nmar@uvic.ca](mailto:nmar@uvic.ca) for more information.

One of our students told me about two leadership programs which have been initiated by students at UBC. The first one is called the "Elite Leadership Conference", May 14 and 15. If you would like more information, please check their website at [www.elitevancouver.ca](http://www.elitevancouver.ca). The other leadership workshop is called "Inspire Youth" and will be held on May 28 and 29. You can check their website at [www.inspireyouth.ca](http://www.inspireyouth.ca) to get more information.

## GRADE 10 & 11 STUDENTS

If you are interested in knowing more about admission requirements, programs and scholarships, the University of Alberta is holding an information session on Saturday, May 14 at 1:00 p.m. at the Four Seasons Hotel, 791 West Georgia St, Vancouver in the Arbutus Room.

The self-reporting feature at UBC opened on March 16 and will close on May 3. UBC will start sending out offers on April 22nd.

## UNIVERSITY NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who received offers over the Spring Break:

**Lucas Friesen** was accepted into the Theatre program at the U. of Victoria

**Thomas Wizinsky** was accepted into the Engineering program at Queen's

**Anneet Nijjar** has been accepted to the University of Calgary

**Iman Virji and Gurjot Budwal** received offers to the University of Victoria

I am pleased to let you know that all of our Grads have received conditional offers to University.

Submitted by Susan Kirkwood

## Regional Science Fair April 7-8, 2011

On April 7th and 8<sup>th</sup>, Southpointe Academy will be represented by our six enthusiastic students; **Saei Khamseh, Sumit Sharma (Grade 7); Declan Hodgins, Anmol Sangha (Grade 8); and Jaskirat Mann and Naman Sharma (Grade 9)**. This year the Regional Science Fair is being held at the Kwantlen Polytechnic University, 72 Ave and 126 Street, Surrey.

The judging will take place on Thursday evening and the projects are open for public viewing on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. It will be a morale booster for our students if parents and students could take out some time and visit them. Besides, it will be very educational and enlightening for our future Science Fair enthusiasts!!



**Eight** lucky students will be picked from the Regional Science fair to go for the **Canada -Wide Science Fair** to be held in Toronto, May 14-21, 2011. ALL EXPENSES INCLUSIVE!

Let's keep our fingers crossed and wish all six of our students the best of luck for this Thursday!

Submitted by Pritpal Saini

### FRANCE 2011 - GRADE 10

Our countdown had begun and we were all eager to get on that flight. A couple of weeks later the day had finally arrived. We all entered the airport excited about what was in store. After saying goodbye to our families about 4 times we all headed off. Off we were to France with our "new" parents. Let the French begin! After some hours we arrived at Montreal to only realize that our next flight was already boarding. We quickly hustled to arrive at the gate and off we were again, but this time we would be landing in Paris! Instead of sleeping we were all presented with a gift, French worksheets! With minimal sleep, after a long flight we arrived in Paris!



We all grabbed our luggage and some maps and off we were to get on the next metro. Oh, but wait first we had to put our tickets through a slot machine and then the sliders open to allow you through. So the trick with this machine is to quickly go through before the shutter closes on you, which might I add in did happen to a few people. Finally all of us got through. After figuring out what train to take we got on with our heavy luggage's. Some of us were a little frightened, and others enjoyed the live music. After some time we hustled to all get off the train with our luggage. Up the escalators, down the escalators, and then finally out onto the street. We all took out our handy dandy maps and were told to find our way to the hostel. We really had no idea where we were going so Mr. Lum suggested we ask around. As we



began asking around Madame Serkouh, the English teacher at the school in Lyon, approached us. Finally, we were able to reach at our hostel only realizing we had gone in a circle. Exhausted, we all hurried into the hostel to only find out we would be waiting. After overcoming their frustration, Mr. Lum and Ms. Huber were able to get us our rooms.

The day began by us eating lunch at Chartier where Ms. Huber and a few others of us discovered a new type of Dijon mustard. As Ms. Huber



indulged upon the Dijon mustard, a few seconds later she noticed a tingling sensation which led to her sinuses being cleared! After eating Madame Serkouh led us to an amazing site where the Eiffel Tower stood, it seemed unreal. After, we all took a nap on the Bateau Mouches, a boat. At this point I'm sure Mr. Lum and Ms. Huber were sick of our complaining of being so tired! But we were in Paris and sleep deprivation was no excuse. So off we were up to the Eiffel Tower. We began learning a lot about each other, for example Mantej and Mr. Lum have a phobia of heights! Wonderful! Getting up to the highest point of the Eiffel Tower and seeing the view was just amazing. For some of us

we had seen what we dreamt of seeing one day and for others fears were faced. We came down enjoyed our crepes and watched the Eiffel Tower light up!

In the next few days we visited Montmartre Church, bought souvenirs, saw a French Arabic singer, and visited the Louvre



where we saw the Mona Lisa. We also visited Euro Disney where we rode on The Hollywood Tower of Terrors, and surely it was a terror not only for all of us but for the people sitting in front of Mr. Lum and Mantej (as you will see in the picture below). We, mostly Mr. Lum, had come up with the idea of making us to push-ups every time we were late. We also visited Champs-Elysees, a famous shopping avenue with many high-end stores. Another tradition we had a night was to go to cafes and sit and relax. At some cafes the people were just too nice, literally. One of the waiters would be standing outside awaiting our, actually more so Burkirat's arrival and would ask her "Are you happy?"



BEFORE.....DURING!!!



Sunday had arrived and now off we were on the TGV, a train, from Paris to Lyon! We were all very eager to meet our home stays and a bit nervous. After a 2 hour ride we arrived in Lyon where we met

our home stays and went home with them. We learned a lot about the French culture. For example when they meet their friends or families they kiss each other twice on the cheeks (bisous). In Lyon, we went to a school with 1,600 kids in grade



10,11, 12. We attended Chinese, Russian, Math, Drama and English classes. We also did a lot of sight seeing. We saw Cathedral St. Jean Fourvière, Croix Rousse, Museum de beaux-arts, a Roman Catholic city about 9 times older than Canada, and of course on our last night we watch a soccer game between Lyon and Rein. The soccer game was very energetic and we even learnt the chant. Sadly, Justin wasn't able to view that night the same way the rest of us did. We also did a scavenger hunt through a part of Lyon, which allowed us to discover Lyon and pick out what stores we would come to. On the Thursday of that week we also had a potluck at the school where everyone brought in a different dish. We also had a foosball competition in which me, Anita, and my home stay Marie played against Madame Serkouh and a student. Also, Mr. Lum and Ms. Huber played against the same unbeatable team. After a stressful time for both the teachers they still lost! The last day had arrived and we all arrived at the airport with our home stay families. It was sad to say good-bye to such wonderful people. We grabbed our last pain au chocolats (croissants with chocolate) and later that night we arrived home.



Overall, this trip would never have gone through successfully without the careful planning that Mr. Lum did and the parenting of both Mr. Lum and Ms. Huber. They both made the trip worthwhile! Thank-you!



Written by: Anita Bal



## **SPORTS INFORMATION**

### **Attention Gr. 8-12 Badminton players:**

The first practice will take place on Thursday, April 7th at 3:30 – 5:00 pm. Anyone who is interested in playing in the tournaments is expected to attend. Practices will be held at the church gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. Tournament players will be selected from those who are regularly attending practices.

### **DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL:**

There will be a drop-in volleyball session in the gym after school on Wednesdays until 5:00. Each week there will be a sign-up sheet posted on the Athletics Board outside of Mr. McCall's office. This session is open to both boys and girls from Grade 6 – 12. However, Mr. Griffioen will reserve spots for girls planning on playing on the volleyball teams next year. The first drop-in session will be Wednesday, April 13th.

### **"Open Gym" Basketball Sessions start this Friday (April 8<sup>th</sup>):**

Any boys in Gr. 6 - 11 who are interested in playing on a school basketball team next year are invited to attend. Gr. 12 players from this year's team are also welcome. These sessions will run from 3:30 - 5:15 pm and a schedule of future dates will be posted on the Athletics Board later this week.

### **Jr. & Sr. Boys Basketball Teams (Gr. 8 – 12):**

We will be taking yearbook photos for both teams on Friday afternoon at the church gym (3:30 pm) before our first open gym session of this term. Mr. McCall will be collecting all uniforms after the pictures are taken.

### **Golf Club (Gr. 6 – 12):**

The first session took place on Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. All students who wish to participate in the Golf Club this Spring and were not at the first session, must see Mr. McCall to get a parent information letter. Only 16 students can go to each session, so if you wish to attend, please sign your name on the sheet posted on the Athletics Board outside Mr. McCall's office by the end of lunch break on Monday. On Tuesday, you will need to bring your golf clubs (only a putter and some irons are necessary) and some money for range tokens (approx. \$2.50 each). We will be taking a small bus to the driving range and the bus will leave at 3:25 pm (the bus will be parked near the primary playground) and return at approximately 5:00 pm. If you do not have any clubs or if you have any questions about this program, please see Mr. McCall or Mr. Griffioen.

### **The Senior Girls Soccer Team:**

The girls played their first league game of the season on Wednesday afternoon at Holly Park. After being down 1 goal from a penalty shot in the first half, the team pulled together and fought hard. By doing this, these determined ladies were able to score two goals in the second half, and win the game! Congratulations to Morgan Platt and Ashina Nagra for scoring such "beautiful" goals. Well done Titans!



Dear Southpointe Track and Field Families,

Track season has begun! Practices are underway, and we are anticipating a successful season for the students. This newsletter is intended to give you brief overview of the season ahead.

Practices this season will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays after school from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. On Monday's we will be practicing at the parking lot at the Baptist Church and behind the Church where the sand volleyball courts are located. Occasionally, we will head to Imperial Village Park to practice on the grass field for track events. Students will be told in advance where their practice will take place. Your son/daughter can be picked up at the PE office at 4:40pm. Students are reminded to bring a water bottle, labeled Southpointe clothing that is appropriate for the weather, and sunscreen and a hat for those sunny days.

The practice times are as follows:

Mondays: Track events: sprints, middle distance, long distance, relays (gr. 6-12)  
Field events: shot put, long jump (gr. 3-5)

Wednesdays: Track events: sprints, middle distance, long distance, relays (gr. 3-5)  
Field events: shot put, long jump (gr. 6-12)

Fridays: Track events: sprints, middle distance, long distance, relays (gr. 3-12)

The following are the event dates for the Elementary students (Gr. 3 – 7):

1. VOC Meet - Saturday, April 30th @ the UBC Rashpal Dhillon Track Oval
2. Vancouver Elementary Gr.4 & 5 Meet - Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>@ UBC (Gr. 4 & 5 only)
3. Norwesters Elementary Meet - Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> @ Swangard, Stadium, Burnaby
4. Vancouver Elementary Gr. 6 & 7 Meet - Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> @ UBC (Gr. 6 & 7 only)
5. ISEA Championships – Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> @ UBC (selected, 2 per gender and grade per event)
6. Junior Olympics - May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> @ Bear Creek Park (optional)
7. BC Elementary Track and Field Championships - May 27-30 @ Minoru Park, Richmond (minimum standards must be met to compete in this event)

The following are the event dates for the High School students (Gr. 8 - 12):

8. GVISAA Track and Field Meet – Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> @ Minoru Park, Richmond
9. Delta/Coquitlam Track and Field Meet - May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> @ Town Center Track, Coquitlam (qualification meet)
10. Fraser Valley Championships - Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> @ Rotary Stadium, Abbotsford (qualification meet)
11. BC High School Track and Field Championships - Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>

Your coaches this season are: Mr. Simpson (Track events), Mr. McCall (all events), Mr. Carnegie (Long Jump, Track), Mr. Strang (Track and relays), Mrs. Gookstetter (Shot Put), Mrs. Boettcher (Long Jump), Mrs. Schaub (Track and relays), Ms. Mah (Long Jump and Track), Mr. Zens (Track, Shot Put), Mrs. Marsden (Track and relays), Dr. Kwan (administration), Mrs. Kirkwood (administration).

You may contact Mr. Simpson at "tristan.simpson@spacademy.ca" if you have any questions or concerns.

Please make sure that your son/daughter has completed the Southpointe Academy Extra-Curricular Consent Form. Copies of this form can be obtained from the coaches and are to be returned to the envelope in the P.E. Office (room 128, North Building) before the first event of the season.

Sincerely,  
Southpointe Academy Track & Field Coaches



## **SPORTS CALENDAR**

April 11 Friday	Sr. Girls Soccer – Home Game Holly Park, Ladner
April 19 Tuesday	GVISAA – Jr Badminton Tournament



## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

*April 7 – April 25*

April 8 Friday	<b>Pyjama Theme Day &amp; Pancake Breakfast</b> put on by the Prefects! Wear your pjyama's and bring money for Pancake breakfast and to help raise funds for Cancer Research!
April 12-15 Tuesday - Friday	Grade 6 Project Discover – Camp Elphinstone
April 12 Tuesday	Euclid Math Contest for Selected Students
April 13 Wednesday	Math Contest for all Grade 3 – Grade 9 & selected 10/11 students
April 15 Friday	Spanish trip returns
April 18 Monday	ISEA Speech Competition – York House School
April 19- 21 Tuesday - Thursday	<b>MYP Musical – “Fiddler on the Roof”</b> at the Tsawwassen Arts Centre
April 19 Tuesday	<b>Vaisakhi Celebration</b>
April 20 Wednesday	Grade 5 Fieldtrip – Salmon Release in Langley
April 21 Thursday	Kindergarten Fieldtrip – Vancouver Aquarium
April 22 Friday	<b>Good Friday – School Closed</b>
April 25 Monday	<b>Easter Monday – School Closed</b>