

VMC Messenger

*Vincent Massey Collegiate
(Leadership, Scholarship, and Self-reliance)*

NEW WEB SITE: www.vmc.qc.ca

We are pleased to announce that our web site has been completely updated. Would you like to keep up-to-date with VMC news? Then SUBSCRIBE to our electronic newsletters. Simply visit the PARENTS section on our web site, complete the subscription form and emails will be sent to you as information is updated.

We will no longer produce hard copies of newsletters. So please take advantage of the newsletter function on our web site.

Photo day – September 11

All students will have their photos taken on Friday, September 11. Students who take advantage of public transportation are required to have a valid OPUS card in order to purchase monthly transit passes at the reduced rate.

If your OPUS card is in good working order, you must bring your card and \$9 in cash (exact amount only).

If you do not yet have an OPUS card, you must bring the completed registration form that was delivered to secondary one students (also available at www.stm.info or the main office), proof of age (Medicare, or student schedule) and \$12.50 in exact cash.

Lifetouch will also be here on Friday to take the photos for the yearbook.



Highlights:

- Web site updates
- Photo day
- 7 Habits Workshop
- Meet the Teachers
- General Parents' Assembly
- Nature Trip
- House News

Seven Habits Workshop – September 11

All Secondary One students will be taking part in the first of several workshops based on Sean Covey's book: The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens. The workshop will take place on Friday afternoon from 12:30 to 3:00.

These workshops will be facilitated by four of Vincent Massey Collegiate's teachers who have been certified by the Franklin Covey Institute as facilitators of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People program.

All students who attend the workshop will receive copies of Sean Covey's book, as well as the Ultimate Activity Guide. These books will serve as valuable resources for students and parents alike.

COMING SOON:

- Sept 11: Photo Day
- Sept 11: 7 Habits of Highly Successful Teens workshop
- Sept 16: Secondary One meet the teachers night
- Sept 18: Professional Development Day
- Sept 23: General Parents' Assembly (election of Governing Board representatives)
- Sept 23: Governing Board meeting No. 1
- Sept 28-29: Sec One Leadership Nature Trip
- Oct 14: Open House
- Oct 19-20: HPV vaccine for Secondary Three girls
- Oct 25: Graduation Ceremony

Meet the Teachers

On Wednesday, September 16, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., parents of students in secondary one will have an opportunity to meet their children's teachers.

The evening will begin with an information session in the cafeteria. From there, parents will follow their child's day one schedule.

Please be sure to bring a copy of your child's schedule.

Given the space limitations of classrooms, students should not attend this evening.

General Parents' Assembly

All parents are invited to the General Parents' Assembly on Wednesday, September 23, at 7:00 p.m.

The sole purpose of this assembly is to elect the parent representatives for the Governing Board.

A Governing Board meeting will take place in the Staff Room immediately following the General Parents' Assembly.

The dates and minutes of subsequent Governing Board meetings will be posted on our web site.

Governing Board meetings are open to all stakeholders.

Nature Trip

Secondary One students will be travelling to Camp Ville-Marie, in Entrelacs, to participate in an overnight nature trip. The focus of this trip will be leadership training.

The trip will take place on September 28 and 29.

Please contact the school for more information.



House News

Congratulations to the Wind House, Water House, Fire House, and Earth House leaders for organizing VMC's most successful ice-breaker ever.

There was a buzz in the air last week as our new secondary one students received their house shirts and were placed in their new houses. The students then went to the park where they competed in games hosted by Dynamix.



The first house points of the 2009-2010 school year were awarded as follows:

- Wind: 225 points**
- Water: 250 points**
- Fire: 350 points**
- Earth: 550 points**