



DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS
THURSDAY
JANUARY 15, 2026

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JUNIOR & GR8 BASKETBALL AND GR8 TEAMS. Junior boys and girls played very close, exciting home games against Barsby and won both. Junior girls won by 4 point and the junior boys won 75-63. Our grade 8 teams played at Barsby, with the girls winning 30-24. What a great day for Ballenas hoops!

BALLENAS ALPINE TEAM SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS: mandatory meeting today at lunch in Room 906, starting right at the bell. We have important team issues to discuss, so please be on time.

GIRLS SOCCER: All grade 8-12 girls who are interested in playing school soccer this year, please attend a quick meeting in the mezz at the beginning of lunch on Monday, January 19. Please talk to Ms. Lavoie if you have any questions.

ESCAPE THE VAPE IS BACK! Are you looking to cut back/quit smoking, escape the vape, help to forgettie the upperdeckie. Want to quit the Nic, go talk to Nik in the HUB... we have prizes to help motivate you to achieve your goal.

WANT TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED? We are making necessity baskets for them. To help, donate unopened products such as deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, and much more. To donate or to see a full list of what we are looking for, see the box in the main foyer!

FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS: This is a reminder that all textbooks for your semester-long courses are due Wednesday, January 21st. You cannot sign out Semester 2 textbooks if you haven't returned your Semester 1 textbooks. Early returns are much appreciated where possible!

ALSO - NEW THIS YEAR - If you have chosen to write in your math workbook, you will need to pay the replacement cost of \$35 before receiving your Semester 2 textbooks. We can add this to School Cash Online for easy payment. If you didn't let your math teacher know last week, see Mrs. Holman in the Learning Commons to arrange this.

ATTENTION GRADS! We are looking for 6 grade 12 students who want to strut their stuff and model Prom clothes for the SOS gradware program promotions. Come try on some fancy prom ware and have some fun! Any questions? See Nikki in the HUB.

GRAD PHOTOS are happening at Ballenas February 2-5. Book now at [Concept Photography](#). Find the link on the [Ballenas Website](#).

NURSES are IN TODAY! Have a health related question? Want to connect? Public Health Nurses are in the HUB this week at lunch on THURSDAY. Come on by and check it out!

HEY WHALERS, DO YOU LIKE TO DRAW, PAINT, WRITE, TAKE PHOTOS OR JUST WANT TO TRY FLEXING THOSE CREATIVE MUSCLES? Then the art club is for you! We meet every Thursday at lunch in the art room. For any questions about the club please see Hana in the art room during club time. We hope to have you join us!

BALLENAS GUYS GROUP: The Guys Group meets in the Band Room (Rm. 914) Thursdays at lunch. Guys Group brings together students, teachers, and mentors for a place to chat and listen to each other. This mentoring group is open to students and adults here at BSS, and it's a great place to connect with others. There is no pressure to talk or share anything if you don't want to. Please see Mr. Kellas or Mr. Bambrough if you have any questions about Guys Group. See you on Thursday!

LUNCH MENU

THURSDAY – Grilled Cheese

FRIDAY – Pizza

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