

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2023



Imagine High is situated on the ancestral and unceded, shared territory of the Ts'elxwéyeqw, Semath and Pilalt Tribes. We are honoured to live, learn, work and play on this land.

## IMAGINE CAREER CENTER IS OPEN THIS YEAR!

The Imagine Career Center is open this year! As students transition to the senior grades and beyond, staying up to date is important!

Please follow us on Instagram [@Imagine\\_CareerCentre](https://www.instagram.com/Imagine_CareerCentre) to stay informed about financial award opportunities as well as volunteer placements and enrichment opportunities!

### Upcoming Events:

- **University of Calgary- October 24, 2023, 12:15pm-1:15 pm** Learning HUB 213
  - Kaylee, a recruiter from the University of Calgary, will be here to discuss all university things with those students interested in the possibility of studying in Calgary.
- **Choose BC Post-Secondary Evening- October 25, 2023, 6:00pm @ Sardis Secondary School**
  - Grade 10, 11 and 12 students and parents are invited to join 16 BC Post-Secondary Schools for a mini fair and information session at Sardis Secondary School. The Evening consists of a mini fair and then two 30-minute information sessions, at your school of choice. If interested, please fill out the [Link to register](#) so Sardis can plan accordingly.
- **BC Children Hospital- Discovery Days November 1, ALL Day** - Students interested in a career in medicine are asked to contact the Career Centre and speak with Mrs. Hari regarding an opportunity by [The Canadian Medical Hall of Fame](#), the day comprises a dynamic keynote lecture, hands-on workshops, and a career panel discussion where students gain a clear picture of what it would be like to be a health professional. Space is extremely limited.

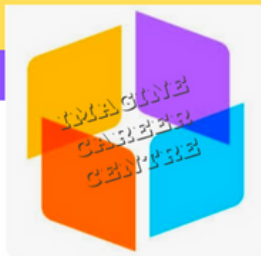


**Most BC Post-Secondary applications  
for FALL 2024 intake are open by October 1!  
Some are already accepting applications.  
Students are encouraged to apply as early as possible  
especially for those with competitive programs.**



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# Imagine Career Centre

We are excited to start the 2023-2024 school year, with your new Imagine Career Centre Team

**Willow Campanelli- Work Experience Facilitator**

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and

**Keri-Lyn Hari - Career Advisor—**

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The Career Centre is located in the Learning Hub Room 212, and provides valuable resources in assisting students in all aspects of their career exploration, work experience, financial awards/processes, and transitions into the work force.

Your CareersTeam will be in house on Monday, Wednesdays, and Alternating Fridays Our Hours are from 8:00am- 3:30pm. Outside of these days please reach out to us via email, or TEAMS.

The Career Centre Team can help students in the following areas

- Scholarships and Bursaries - Through applications, information and workshops
- Assistants in finding Volunteer or Paid Work Experience for 30 hour graduation requirements
- Resumes, cover letters, interview coaching, job searching
- Career based enrichment opportunities through (guest speakers, community partners, conferences, and workshops)
- Post-secondary research and application support
- Navigating important websites, such as myBlueprint, EducationPlannerBC, MyEducation BC, MS Teams, etc.
- Assistant with the government transcript Service is used to access and send transcripts

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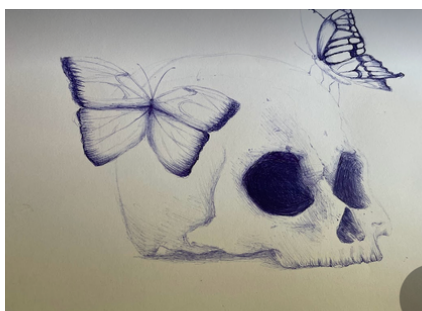
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## KEEPING IN TOUCH

- For key family information(Calendar, School Information, No Bell Schedule, Etc), please visit our website [imagine.sd33.bc.ca](https://www.imagine.sd33.bc.ca) Follow Imagine on facebook, twitter,youtube, and instagram [@imaginesd33](https://www.instagram.com/imaginesd33)
- Email [iss-alloffice@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:iss-alloffice@sd33.bc.ca) for any information you need

## IMAGINE PAC

- If you are interested in being part of the **Parent Advisory Council** at Imagine High, please email: [iss-pac@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:iss-pac@sd33.bc.ca)
- PAC meetings and information: [https://www.imagine.sd33.bc.ca/imagin\\_e-pac](https://www.imagine.sd33.bc.ca/imagin_e-pac)



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# THINKING LIKE SCIENTISTS

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“Why do you think crystals grew on the outside of this container, while none grew on the inside?” asks Ms. Kuipers.

A number of students raise hands to register different guesses. Level of sunlight? Perhaps closeness to the glass? Eventually the class seems to agree that evaporation is the culprit.

A moment of relative quiet. Ms. Kuipers holds up two more containers, one with thick crystals growing inside, the other a murky white liquid. “Why do you think these crystals grew so well, while these ones hardly grew at all?” she asks.

Now it’s obvious. The murky liquid has a lid, while the container with the fast-growing crystals has none. It’s evaporation.

Ms. Kuipers’ Earth Sciences class is learning about minerals and the formation of rocks. What better way to learn than by doing? In this simple lab, students experience the science. They ask their own questions, design their own experiments, and then reframe their experiments based on their observations. On this first experiment, most students lidded their containers; you can bet the next round will be different.

The key here isn’t that they’re learning about lids and crystals—it’s that they’re learning to think critically. They’re learning to make evidence-based decisions. They’re learning to think like scientists.



# LOOKING AHEAD



**October 2** - Stat (no school)

**October 5th** - Terry Fox Run @ 10:30 AM, Cross-Country first race season in Chilliwack at Twin Rinks.

**October 6**- Non-Instructional Day (no school)

**October 9** - Thanksgiving (no school)

**October 11** - Cross-Country race at Island 22

**October 17** - I Reports to families

**October 18** - Photo Retakes, Girls VB Home Game 7:30 pm @ Imagine, Learning Conversations (parent/student/teacher connections) 4:30-7:30 pm

**October 19** - Early dismissal at 11:47

**October 20** - Professional Development Day (no school)

**October 26** - Grad parent/Student Meeting

**October 30** - Nov 2 Graduation Assessment Catch up Writes

**Visit our website for more regularly updated calendar:**

[imagine.sd33.bc.ca](http://imagine.sd33.bc.ca)



CURRICULUM INTEGRATION SUPPORT TEACHER  
MATT SLYKHUIS

# INCLUSION AT IMAGINE

## COMPETENCY BASED INDIVIDUAL EDUCATION PLANS

At Imagine High, we continue to use Competency-based IEPs (CBIEPs) for all our students requiring individual education plans. Students, staff, and family all collaborate to find a system that will best benefit each individual. We strive to include student voice and choice in our plans and encourage students to help create their own personal goals for the school year. We focus on having students grow skills in communication, thinking, personal and social abilities, as outlined in the BC Curriculum.

Link to BC Curriculum Page on Core Competencies: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>

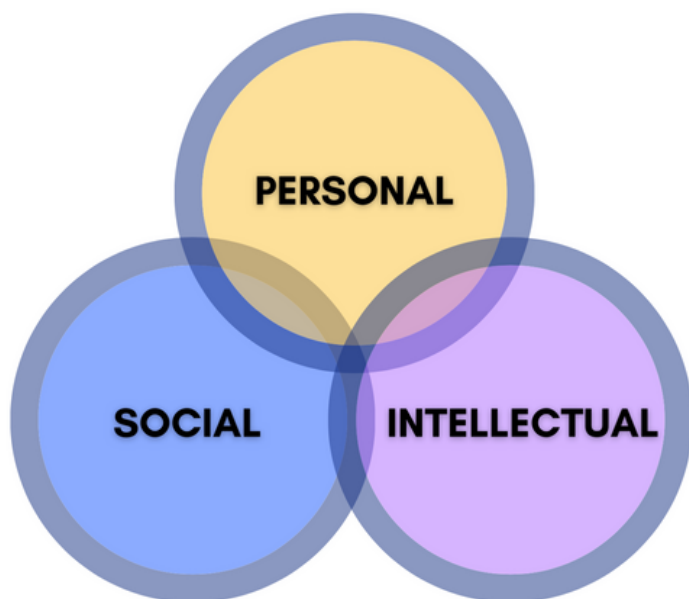


**IMAGINE INCLUSIVE DESIGN TEAM:**  
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JENNIFER ANGLEHART - RT  
ROBYN PAGE - LA/RT  
KIANA OLAFSON - TEACHER COUNSELLOR



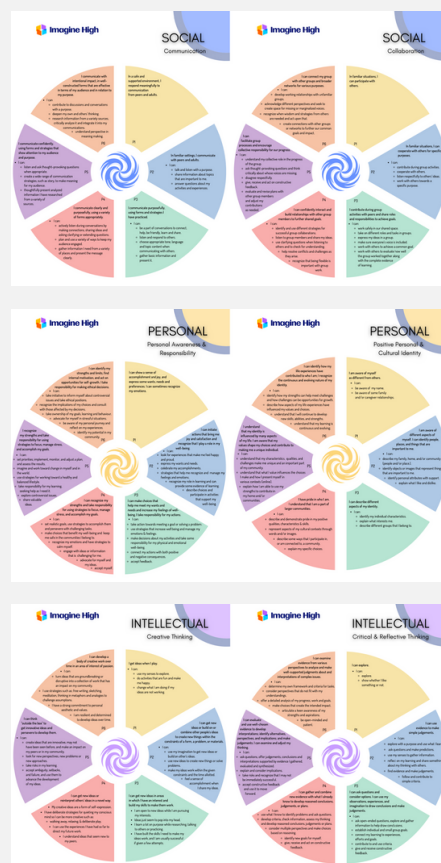
## CORE COMPETENCIES

- Social Responsibility
- Personal Awareness & Responsibility
- Positive Personal & Cultural Identity



- Communication
- Collaboration

- Critical & Reflective Thinking
- Creative Thinking



# ATHLETICS THIS FALL

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We have had a great start to the year with athletics at Imagine! We are running multiple programs this fall including:

- **Senior tier 2 Girls Volleyball** (coached by Ms. Verstraete)
- **Senior tier 2 Boys Volleyball** (coached by Ms. Low & Mr. Buxton)
- **Cross-Country** (coached by Ms. Robertson, Ms. Dempsey and Mrs. Olesen)
- **Aquatics** (coached by Mrs. Gorelova and Ms. Hohner)

All team schedules and results can be found on the EVAA website at <https://www.evathletics.ca/> click on “fall sports” and choose your preferred sport in the drop-down menu.

Students who would be interested in joining cross-country or aquatics, please speak with the above listed coaches or the athletic director, Ms. Low. Cross-country has been practicing Mon-Thurs after school and meets at the glass doors by the gym at 3:15pm. Aquatics is hoping to rent a lane at the Landing, and practice times are TBD.

Enjoy playing basketball? **Drop-in basketball** is coming! Listen to announcements for dates and times.

**Parent Drivers:** It is extremely difficult to get transportation to sporting events as there are limited buses and drivers in the district and multiple schools vying for buses. Therefore, we heavily rely on parent drivers to help get all the student-athletes to/from games and meets. If your child plays on a team and you are available to drive, please have the proper school district 33 volunteer driver form filled out accompanied with your ICBC drivers abstract. Coaches should be sending these forms home via email and/or hard copy to your child. The coaches thank-you in advance for helping.

**Scorekeepers:** We need to have scorekeepers and lines people for all home volleyball games. This is a great way for students to collect volunteer hours! Anyone interested in becoming a scorekeeper should contact our athletic director, Ms. Low via email or in person at the PE office.

## The Terry Fox Run

This year we will be having The Terry Fox Run on Thursday, October 5th from 10:30am – 11:00am. Staff and students will head over to the fields at A.D. Rundle Middle School and run for 30 minutes. Our fundraising goal this year is \$1,500 and people are able to donate online. Students can also collect donations by filing out the fundraising form. All funds raised will be going to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research. [Click here to check out our school's page if you would like to donate.](#)

 **ATHLETICS DIRECTOR**  
**KRISTEN LOW**



# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS AT IMAGINE

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Imagine High offers a variety of supports to students for their mental health and wellbeing.

Students are welcome to connect with our school counsellor, Ms. Olafson, for support with their mental health, a listening ear, or help in navigating resources within the community.

Our school's youth care worker, Ms. Navarro, also provides check ins and support to students in the development of positive social emotional skills.

Imagine High is also fortunate to host counsellors from the Chilliwack Youth Health Centre on Wednesday and Thursday mornings who are available to support students on a drop-in basis.

Lastly, this year we are excited to welcome two therapy dogs from the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program. Come say hi to Hera and Mya on Wednesday mornings at the front of the school!

 **TEACHER COUNSELLOR**  
**KIANA OLAFSON**

