

January 20 – January 24, 2025

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Grad Photos by Appointment (January 19 to 24) www.artona.com.

Marlin Strong: Every student, every day, whatever it takes!
"Feedback is a gift that you welcome with open arms any time someone is willing to offer it."
 Warren Buffet

Not all gifts come in beautifully wrapped boxes, and this is true about feedback. But make no mistake, feedback is a gift. Throughout our lives, there are many opportunities to receive this gift. Sometimes, the gift of feedback is requested, and other times, it is given without solicitation.

As we transition from Semester 1 to Semester 2, and students and teachers complete one set of courses and start a new set, we are reminded that we are all works in progress, and consistent feedback is an important gift to help us further develop as students and teachers.

Whenever we receive honest and open feedback, it is a valuable gift. This gift should be coveted by both students and teacher, so that they can continue to grow their knowledge, skill set, and understanding of self and their role in the learning process.

It is very easy to ignore or react defensively when someone gives you feedback, especially when it isn't flattering. You might think that the person doesn't like you or is against you in some way. However, the opposite might be true: if a teacher is willing to give a student feedback about their learning or a student is willing to give a teacher honest feedback about their teaching, that means they really like you and care for you!

Purposeful feedback empowers learning and teaching, fostering a culture of mutual respect. Students and teachers giving and receiving feedback are gifts that fuel new learning and change within learners and teachers. Feedback supports students and teachers; it lifts them up and keeps them moving forward.

When we see feedback as a gift, we seek it out from students and teachers as a means for continued growth and progress. We treasure it and are thankful to the giver for offering it. When seeing feedback as a gift, we create opportunities for feedback to occur so that the giver is respectfully heard, and the receiver learns and grows. **At McNair, we "Champion students and their learning."**

Summary of Learning Timeline – Semester 1 Final

Jan 6-23	Student-Teacher Conferencing: Developing better understandings of current learning and next steps.
Jan 23	Last day of Semester 1
Jan 27	Learning Completion Day
Jan 24 -Jan 31	Prepare all final marks & comments in MyEdBC
Jan 31	Semester 1 final marks & comments due
Jan 31	Replacement Curriculum attachments due
Jan 31- Feb 4	Admin/counselling review of all learning updates
February 5	Semester 1 Summary of Learning published MyEdBC

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jan 27	Learning Completion Day (No Classes)
Jan 28	First Day of Semester 2 Classes
Jan 31	Semester 1 Final Summary of Learning Due
Feb 3	Staff Meeting (after school)
Feb 5	Collaboration Day (Classes begin at 9:55 am)
Feb 5	Semester 1 Summary of Learning Published on MyEdBC
Feb 6	SBT Meeting (lunch)
Feb 6	Open House
Feb 12	Program Planning Information Assemblies (grade 8-11)
Feb 12	Ed Fac Meeting (lunch)
Feb 14	Professional Development Day
Feb 17	BC Family Day (School Closed)
Feb 19	Mini School Meeting (lunch)
Feb 20	SBT Meeting (lunch)
Feb 23	Deadline for Online Course Request Entry
Feb 24	SCC Meeting (lunch)
Feb 26	Pink Shirt Day
Feb 26	Grade 9-11 Math Contests
Feb 28	Informal Learning Updates Due 8:00am
Mar 3	Spring Drama Production (Mar 3-7)
Mar 3	Staff Meeting (after school)
Mar 4	Informal Learning Updates Emailed Home
Mar 5	Collaboration Day (Classes begin at 9:55am)
Mar 6	SBT Meeting (at lunch)
Mar 10	Elementary Basketball Tournament (Mar 10-11)
Mar 12	Mini School Meeting (at lunch)
Mar 12	Ed Fac Meeting (after school)
Mar 13	Locker Clean Up
Mar 14	Last Day of Classes before Break
Mar 14	Turn off/unplug electronics before break
Mar 17	Spring Break (Mar 17-28)
Mar 31	First Day of Classes after Break
Mar 31	SCC Meeting (at lunch)

Semester 1 Summary of Learning
 On February 5, 2025, students will receive their Summary of Learning Reports for Semester 1 classes. This report will summarize the learning completed this semester and indicate if the student has successfully met the learning standards of each course.

Preparing for Semester End
 In preparation for the end of Semester 1, we encourage parents to sit down with their teens to review their learning and reflect on goals from Semester 1 and establish new goals for Semester 2.

Graduation Photo Bookings with Artona Mobile Studio
 The Artona mobile photo studio is in McNair School parking lot from January 19, 2025 to January 24, 2025 for individual and group grad photos. All grade 12 students are **required** to book an appointment, for yearbook and grad composite pictures. Appointments must be booked online at www.artona.com. There is no cost to book but they do require a credit / debit card to secure the booking. At the time of their session, students pay a \$60 deposit they can use toward a purchase later. If students choose not to order, Artona will refund the deposit within 30 days.