

The Fairview Forum

You could be writing this next year.

By: Neil Wang

Hello all, Neil here. This is our last issue for this school year. We've come so far in these last six months, and it was all thanks to you guys, our loyal and faithful readers. You have kept with us when we were late or when we had nothing to write about other than April Fools Prank Ideas written in extra large 23 point font instead of our normal ten and a half point.

From our first issue in December, our membership has tripled and our viewership also. I want to take this time to thank our hardworking team for taking time out of their busy schedules to write for us, even without pay! First of all, Sofia, the biggest contributor to the team. You have written nine of our articles this year. That is over 20 percent of everything we published! You have always been there when I screwed something up and we needed another article really badly because we were supposed to publish the next day. For all of your hard work and dedication to the Fairview Forum, we thank you. Next, Jonis. You have helped us with a whole range of stuff, ranging from writing to designing our new logo! Your contribution to our website is greatly appreciated. Niko, your articles have been insightful and informing, even for me! You are also full of much needed ideas, when we have people to write stuff but nothing to write about. Thank you so much. Jason, even though you left us, your articles about history were still super interesting. I even learned from them, and I'm sure that I'm not the only one. Adri, Thank you for your jokes and your contribution to the activities page. Your jokes would always cheer me up and make me smile, even when I was stressed out. Nora, thank you for teaching us all about Islamic culture. You have no doubt Educated Against Islamophobia. Sophia, as a late joiner, you didn't get as much time with us as I would have hoped. You are always full of great ideas and one of the most enthusiastic members of our team. Thank you. Lastly but not least, Claire, Jana, and Donovan. Though you guys each only wrote one article each, you have contributed in other ways, like editing and brainstorming, which were equally as essential to the success of the Fairview Forum. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our success this year.

Next year, we plan to continue this newspaper but we need help. Next year we will be in grade 8 with less free time and more homework. That's why we are calling on you, our new grade sevens coming to Fairview. We need your help. If keeping our school up to date with news and potentially even becoming famous seems like your style, think about joining next year. There will be more information coming early September next year. Think about it over the summer. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at fairviewfourm@gmail.com.



Online safety

By: Jonis Loney



Online safety is becoming more and more important in today's society. Mostly because online activities are becoming prevalent in everything we do. Almost all successful businesses have websites and we just came off a month of online school. Now more than ever it is important to stay safe online using VPNs (Virtual private networks) and changing up your password. It should go without saying that the top 3 weakest passwords are 123456789, qwerty, and password. Which means you have to choose strong passwords, such as random numbers and letters, obscure references, and numbers following the end of any word. Strong passwords are one of the easiest ways to be safe online. Also, you should note that you shouldn't type any sensitive information on a website if it isn't secure. Check the top left of the URL to see if it is secure. The previous segment was focusing on information theft, but the next part will be about protection against strangers.

I'm certain that most of the people reading this have heard the phrase 'Stranger danger' in their lifetime. 'Stranger danger' is also a very important phrase online. Some obvious things to remember when chatting with strangers online is to avoid sharing personal information such as your address, full name, and your passwords for accounts. Some less obvious things are making sure that when you post things publicly to websites, you need to follow the same rules as if you were talking to a stranger. So no address, landmarks, or personal information. Something very important to remember when posting pictures publicly, is to check the background of your picture/video. You could have schools in the background that can show roughly where you live and where you go to school, among other things that you don't want random people to know.

Thank you for reading and I hope you learned something. ([Img Source](#))

Summer

By: Jana Al-Shanti



Summer is the hottest of the four temperate seasons, falling after spring and before autumn. At or around the summer solstice (about 3 days before Midsummer Day), the earliest sunrise and latest sunset occurs, the days are longest and the nights are shortest, with day length decreasing as the season progresses after the solstice. The date of the beginning of summer varies according to climate, tradition, and culture. People generally take advantage of the high temperatures by spending more time outdoors during summer. Activities such as travelling to the beach and picnics occur during the summer months. Sports such as soccer, basketball, football, volleyball, skateboarding, baseball, softball, tennis and golf are played. Water sports also occur. Schools and universities typically have a summer break to take advantage of the warmer weather and longer days. In almost all countries, children are out of school during this time of year for summer break although dates vary. Don't forget to put sunscreen on, it's very important. Have a great summer and stay safe! ([Img Source](#))