



January 13, 2010

## NEWSLETTER

### JANUARY

- 14 "Show Math" Presentation at Highroad Academy
- 18 Grad Info Meeting at lunch (gym)
- 20 PAC Meeting at 7:00pm
- 21 Dance Concert at 7:00pm
- 22 Term II ends
- 25–29 Provincial Exams (see exam schedule on page 2)

### FEBRUARY

- 1 Term III begins
- 5 Professional Day—school closed
- 7 Torch Relay—Olympic Torch Ceremony
- 9 Sardis Talent Show
- 10 French Canadian Festival

Check out more details on the CALENDAR on our WEBSITE at: [www.sardissecondary.ca](http://www.sardissecondary.ca)

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## MEMORIES DON'T LEAVE A PERSON THEY MAKE A PERSON

The act of building a place for someone to live is scary. That's the first step in understanding the Mexico experience. Not because of safety or security, but for the simple fact that these families are relying on us to give them what they cannot give themselves, a home. But, that is exactly what Sardis students did last spring break.

We built two homes from the ground up in a span of three short days! I remember building a make-shift ladder in the middle of the street with some old 2x4's. The feet were off balance and the rungs were turned in all directions, but it didn't matter because I had built it. I remember painting white trim for hours, as the neighbourhood kids played soccer behind us. I remember handing out bags filled with toys, stickers, and crayons. We were overwhelmed with kids who desperately wanted what kids back home had given away.

I wanted the house to be perfect. I wasn't sure what perfect meant, but soon I realized that whatever would rise from the ground would be created with love. Love for our world and love for others was the "perfect" that I wanted to achieve.

Although it seemed as if

we had just arrived, the time came for us to say goodbye to our sponsor families. Both families were reduced to raw emotion when the keys were handed over. This made all the hard work worth it a thousand times over. On the last day of the build, I knew love was everywhere I looked. We had accomplished another amazing project!

Over the span of five days, I learned to be a better person, better leader, better helper and better lover of our world. I finally experienced how

ing twenty-five. Many are returning for their second, or even third year. We have been fundraising since the fall to raise the funds needed for building supplies (\$7000 per home).

Our team is still looking for corporate sponsorship/ building donations to make this years trip the best yet. If you are interested in being involved with this amazing humanitarian experience, please contact our sponsor teacher, Ms. Toth at [tania\\_toth@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:tania_toth@sd33.bc.ca).



Our group of students along with some of their new friends from Project Help Mexico 2009.

people are supposed to act, with selfless acts of love. I feel so strongly about this trip and all it stands for, that I am planning on traveling to Mexico one more time this spring. This year, our team of students is total-

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## CURLING

The Sardis Secondary boys' curling team qualified for the High School Provincial Curling Championships on January 8th, 2010. Team members are:

Skip Steven Love  
 Third Derek Krah  
 Second Brandon Scyner  
 Lead Eric Clarke

The team will compete at the Provincials February 3–6, 2010 at the Chilliwack Curling Club. Congratulations to all team members and good luck at the Provincials!!

# PROFESSIONAL DAY ON FEB. 5/10

## JANUARY 2010 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

P—Provincial Exam F—Final Exam

ALL EXAMS ARE WRITTEN IN THE GYMNASIUM EXCEPT WHERE NOTED IN BOLD & UNDERLINED

DATE	TIME	EXAM
Monday, January 25/10	8:15–11:30	Geography 12 (P) Communications 11 (F) English 11/English 11H (F)
	12:15–3:30	Biology 12 (P) <b>e-only (Library)</b> Social Studies 10 (F) Biology 11 (F)
Tuesday, January 26/10	8:15–11:30	Communications 12 (P) Physics 12 (P) Spanish 11 (F) B. Spanish 11 (F)
	12:15–3:30	Principles of Math 12 (P) Spanish 10 (F) French 11 (F)
Wednesday, January 27/10	8:15–11:30	English 12 (P) Chemistry 11 (F) Law 12 (F)
	12:15–3:30	Social Studies 11 (P) Geology 12 (P) Sciences humaines 11 (P) <b>e-only (A-J B208, K-Z C210)</b> Eng Lit 12 (P) <b>e-only (D201)</b>

DATE	TIME	EXAM
Thursday, January 28/10	8:15–11:30	English 10 (P) Math 11 (F) Essentials of Math 11 (F) First Nations Studies 12 (P) <b>e-only (Library)</b>
	12:15–3:30	Essentials of Math 10 (P) Principals of Math 10 (P) Physics 11 (F) Earth Science 11 (F) History 12 (P) <b>e-only (Library)</b>
Friday, January 29/10	8:15–11:30	Science 10 (P)
	12:15–3:30	Chemistry 12 (P)

THE SARDIS AGRICULTURE GREENHOUSE program has been nominated for a business award. Mr. Long, Ms. Toth and Mr. Massie will be attending the banquet on January 23rd where the winners will be announced.

**ATTENTION GRADS:** Are you applying to universities or colleges for next year? Don't forget to do your PSI form online at [www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams). Log onto your secure account and complete the form by June 30 if you want your final marks sent to a post-secondary institution.

**SARDIS GRAD AUCTION:** Reminder to Grade 12's—bring your Grad Auction items into Ms. Deputan in the office. Grad dinner and auction is March 31, 2010.