



SPRING 2014

BREAKING NEWS

WE'VE BROKEN GROUND! AND YOU'RE INVITED!

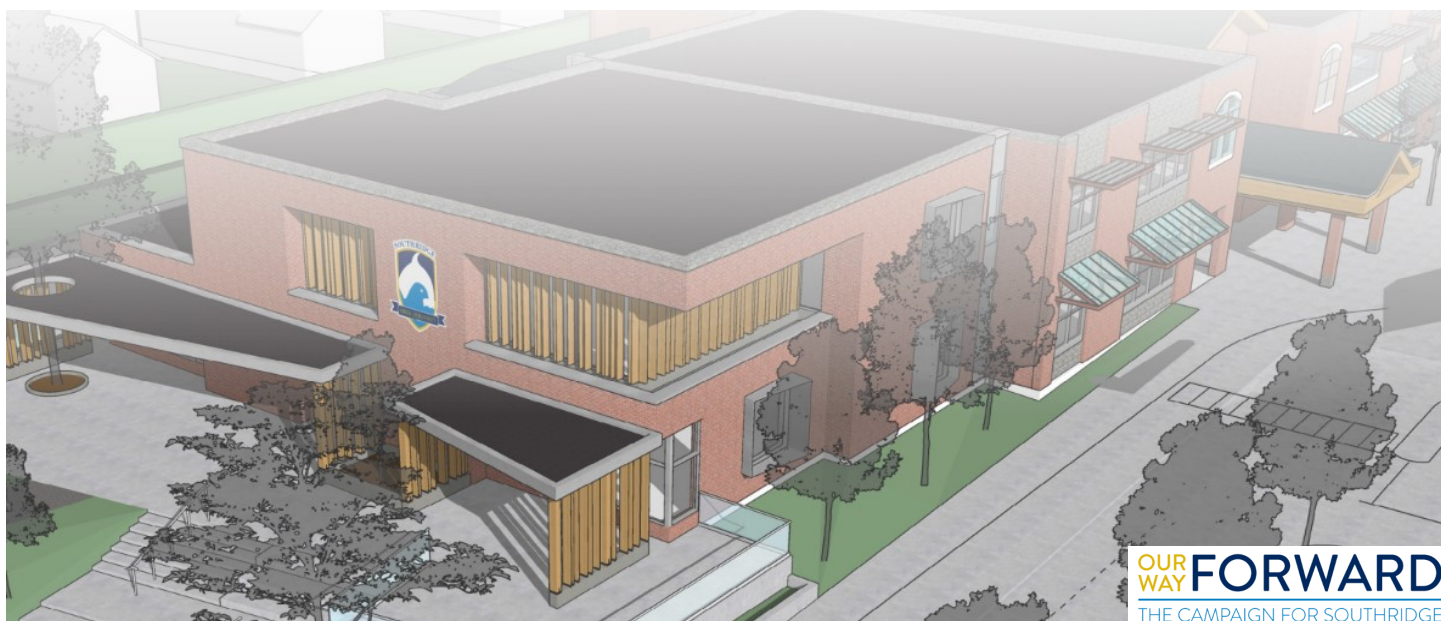
What a momentous and exciting time to be a part of the Southridge community! If you've driven down 160th recently, you'll notice that Southridge is officially under construction. Not since our first years as a school have we taken on such a significant campus improvement project. This, the second phase of our Campus Master Plan, will forever change the face of our campus.

Although an active construction site is usually no place for children, on Saturday, May 14th, you're invited to take a family photo (with hard hats and all!) at the site. This is an historic moment for Southridge and you won't want to miss the opportunity to commemorate it with your family.

During our Homecoming Celebration on May 14th, current families, alumni, faculty, staff, and alumni families, will have the opportunity to view a gallery of updated renderings of the projects, learn more about the plans for the updated facilities from Head of School, Drew Stephens, and pose for a commemorative photo at the site.

So, mark your calendars for Saturday, May 14th from 1:00PM-3:00PM.

We would love to see you there!



OUR
WAY **FORWARD**
THE CAMPAIGN FOR SOUTHRIDGE



A string of five triangular bunting flags, alternating in color between blue and yellow.

SOUTHRIDGE *Homecoming*

Saturday, May 14th 10 am—4 pm

This year's alumni BBQ & Basketball tournament is back, but with a bit of a twist!

This year's event will combine the alumni 'homecoming' event and the Country Fair for a larger Southridge community event welcoming current students and families, faculty and staff, and alumni and alumni parents back to campus for a celebratory day of fun!

This event will be a fantastic opportunity to catch up with friends from the past and make new ones who are part of the Southridge community today!



Alumni Basketball Tournament



The Alumni Association is pleased to welcome alumni back to the Senior School Gym to participate in a spirited alumni basketball tournament in front of Southridge spectators!

We invite alumni to register to join the fun tournament-style game by submitting a registration to play. *Teams will be arranged prior to the tournament start at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 14th.*

If you plan to play in the Alumni Basketball Tournament, please [click below](#) to register today!

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to tell us you're coming - we look forward to seeing you there!



PLANT AN *idea* AND WATCH IT *grow*

HOW ALUMNUS IAN TANG TOOK A PROBLEM AND TURNED IT INTO... *Trees!*



ERIN LABBÉ
DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

For alumnus Ian Tang (Class of 2003), starting a small business with the goal of helping the planet wasn't part of his long-term plan when he graduated from the University of Calgary. But his creativity kicked into gear when he saw something that he considered to be "lacking" in the market.

“As a realtor, I purchased consumer goods as part of my marketing strategy and was tired of buying things that accumulated environmental waste,” explains Ian.

Although he doesn't necessarily consider himself an environmentalist, choosing to support an initiative that was good for the planet while supporting local Canadian businesses helped make his decision easy. And so, Ian's company, Plantable Greetings, was born.

This unique card company, based in Vancouver, is 100% Canadian-owned and manufactures zero-waste greeting cards. Their cards are made from Canadian sourced materials and are designed by Canadian artist, Tess Sereda. Through their tree planting partner, Pledgling, the company plants two trees for each card purchased, supporting the growth of forests worldwide. To date, they have planted 3200+ trees.

Why trees? The company website explains: Trees help clean the air we breathe, filter the water we drink, and provide habitat to over 80% of the world's terrestrial biodiversity. Forests provide jobs to over 1.6 billion people, absorb harmful carbon from the atmosphere, and are key ingredients in 25% of all medicines. Have you ever taken an Aspirin? It comes from the bark of a tree! Trees are good for our health and our environment, and simply, our well-being.

Last year, many members of our community received a volunteer appreciation card during National Volunteer Week, or a Mother's Day card in our Mother's Day box fundraiser. Those cards were purchased from Plantable Greetings and resulted in Southridge helping to plant hundreds of trees. The cards were crafted from post-consumer-waste paper and no new trees were cut down in their making. Plus, each card was embedded with seeds, allowing recipients to plant them directly into their gardens to watch wildflowers grow!

Thanks to the families who purchased Mother's Day boxes, the school was able to raise the funds needed for additional picnic tables around campus, allowing our students to spend more time outdoors, enjoying the fresh air during breaks, lunch, and classes.





Save the Date

AGM 2022

Please be advised that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Members of the SOUTHRIDGE SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION will be held in-person and virtually at 7:00PM (PT) on May 11, 2022 for the following purposes:

1. To receive a report from the President of the Association.
2. To receive financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.
3. Approve directors as per the slate of Alumni Executive Board directors set forth in Part A below.
4. To transact such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.

A. Approval of Alumni Executive Board

Resolution:

Be it resolved that the following slate of Directors be approved:

For a two-year term, expiring at the Annual General Meeting in 2024:

Priya Gandhi, Class of 2003 (renewal)

Matt Grimm, Class of 2009 (renewal)

Arjun Hair, Class of 2012 (new)

Byung Brian Kim, Class of 2004 (new)

Erin Salh, Class of 2016 (renewal)

Want to attend the 2022 AGM virtually?

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the virtual Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, May 11 at 7 pm



GET TO KNOW

Lauren Moretto

CLASS OF 2013

This Southridge Alumna is back on campus helping to inspire another generation of students

ERIN MCDONALD
ALUMNI RELATIONS COORDINATOR

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF?

My name is Lauren Moretto, and I graduated from Southridge in 2013. I started at Southridge in Grade 8 and thoroughly enjoyed the sports program, and played on multiple teams, including volleyball and basketball. While at Southridge, Ms. Calla Jones (currently on maternity leave) was a positive role model for me, which motivated me to pursue volunteer opportunities as an alumna.

WHAT IS YOUR VOLUNTEER ROLE AT SOUTHRIDGE?

I have been an active Senior School coach for the last four sports seasons. Until this year, my primary involvement was with the Sr. Girls volleyball team, but I recently started coaching the Jr. Girls volleyball team, and it has been a great transition. Working with younger students provides me with the opportunity to shape their skills and build confidence before their senior years. Volunteering for the athletics department at Southridge has been an enriching experience.

WHAT MOTIVATED YOU TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT SOUTHRIDGE?

I fondly remember my experience playing on sports teams while at Southridge. My coaches were such positive role models, so I wanted to provide younger students with the same kind of experience. The Southridge community holds a special place for me, and I love coming back and watching the community grow and re-connecting with faculty who had such a positive impact on my life.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT VOLUNTEERING FOR SOUTHRIDGE ATHLETICS?

I love knowing that my involvement helps create a fun environment for students and that I get to watch them develop the skills that make them better players while under my guidance. Because I grew up while at Southridge, I feel that I can relate to students, and be a positive influence in their lives. I can also relate to students' day-to-day routines, which allows me to build positive relationships that help students both on and off the court.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE STUDENTS SAY ABOUT YOU AS THEIR COACH?

I hope they say we have fun! School can be so stressful and overwhelming that I simply hope they enjoy themselves while in the program. I hope they would say that my lighthearted approach and focus on teamwork and fair play results in a fun and fair season and obviously a season WIN! GO STORM!



Alumni On Campus

As we begin to emerge out of COVID-19 restrictions, the Alumni Association embraces the opportunity to include alumni in our in-person school events and initiatives once again! The insights shared by our alumni have many benefits for students, and we look forward to welcoming more alumni back to campus to support the many ways they can positively impact the Southridge community.

Business Case Club



Every Tuesday, our students run a Business Case Club. The club's purpose is to teach, coach and practice analyzing, problem-solving, and presenting business cases, build creative and critical thinking skills in a team setting, and learn how to develop solutions for various business world problems.

Last month, this club started inviting alumni to join both virtually and in person. In March, they welcomed Alumnus Ryan Wilson '02 to talk about his experience as an entrepreneur. In April, the club had Ben Anderson '20 in person to talk about his experience at UBC Sauder School of Business.

We look forward to more opportunities to include alumni.

Event Leadership

On April 29th, the students at Southridge came together to fundraise against cancer at the annual Relay For Life event.

Serena Bonneville '14 is a childhood cancer survivor and proudly returns to campus each year to help lead the ceremonial "Survivors Lap" to kick off this event.





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Serving our Alumni

At Southridge, we value our connection with alumni. No matter where you live, we are committed to providing opportunities for alumni to keep connected to the Southridge community and to each other.

We encourage you to stay connected and to update your information regularly so we can send you exciting information about upcoming events, alumni programs (ie. the ASK Program) and other ways to support the Southridge community.

By keeping in touch with us, you will...

- Receive a University Care Package from Southridge (applicable to recent grads)
- Connect with Southridge and the Alumni community
- Receive the [Spirit Magazine](#), twice per year – with stories, photos, alumni profiles, and more
- Expand your network for professional growth and development.
- Continue your involvement in the well-being and future of Southridge

Stay Connected!

As a member of the Southridge Alumni Association, you have access to events, activities, and networking opportunities that you do not want to miss. To receive invites, newsletters, and other communications, please ensure your contact information is up to date.

To Update Your Record, please [CLICK HERE](#)

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