



Staff Rep Weekly

Please share this important information with all VESTA members

Dates to Remember

Meetings at VESTA Office at 4 PM unless otherwise noted

October 30
TTOC Committee

November 2-3 (all day)
BCTF Rep Assembly and
Bargaining Conference
Delta Airport Inn
Richmond

November 5
Anti-Poverty Committee

November 5
Local Election Committee

November 7
Aboriginal Education
Committee, 3:45 PM

November 8
Pride Committee

November 14
Anti-Poverty Committee

November 15
Sustainability Committee

November 21
Health and Safety Committee

“Justice, Not Charity” Event

On Saturday November 3 the Education Committee of the Committee of Progressive Electors (COPE) is hosting “Justice, Not Charity.” This discussion of inner city schools and creeping corporatization will feature guest speakers including Heather-Jane Robertson, Adrienne Montani, Gwen Giesbrecht and Vancouver teachers Anna Chudnovsky and Christine Stewart.

A \$20 donation is suggested but participants will pay what they can. Lunch is provided.

The event runs from 9 AM-4 PM and will be held at the Peretz Centre, 6184 Ash St, Vancouver. Register online at <http://copevancouver2012educationconference.eventbrite.ca> or by phone at 604-255-0400.

Collaborative Pro-D Funds

Application forms and information about the process of applying for money from the VSB Teacher Collaborative Inquiry Fund were sent to schools last week. The deadline of November 5 for groups to apply for these funds is fast approaching. There is a significant amount of money available. There is no “vetting process for the applications but if there is more money requested than available at your school it may be necessary to set up a “lottery” system through Staff Committee.

Library Circulation

A reminder to all members that VESTA policy is that when a teacher-librarian or his/her TTOC is not on duty in the library during instructional time the circulation will be closed.

Bike to Work Week

Oct 29-November 2 is Autumn Bike to Work Week in Metro Vancouver. For more information go to <http://biketoworkmetrovan.ca>



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