

# O1.

## Your school

Welcome to Magee! You are setting your foot into unarguably the best school in the VSB. We're promising you the best of best high school experience for the next five years, full of fun memories and amazing people. Get to know us by following these accounts below:



# O2.

## FITs and how to manage them

FIT stands for *Flexible Instructional Time*. This is a 40 minute period during the day when you can catch up on assignments and homework, take missing quizzes or tests, or talk to your teachers. Make sure to use this time wisely- do your best to be productive!

Morning FIT: 8:35 ~ 9:15  
Afternoon FIT: 1:17 ~ 1:57

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|-----------|---------------|
| Monday    | No FIT        |
| Tuesday   | Morning FIT   |
| Wednesday | Afternoon FIT |
| Thursday  | Afternoon FIT |
| Friday    | Morning FIT   |

\*Leaving school grounds are permitted during this time

# O3.

## Meet your teachers

Next, meet some of your teachers! We took the time to interview the teachers you might have this year and ask them about what they like and don't like, both in students and their personal life.

**Name** Ms. Lehmann  
**Subject** Science  
**Likes** Inclusive & kind students.  
**Dislikes** Students being late & traffic jams.  
**How to ace this class** DO YOUR HOMEWORK!



**Name** Mr. Chan  
**Subject** Physical Education  
**Likes** Friendly and inclusive students.  
**Dislikes** Un-welcoming and ill-mannered students.  
**How to ace this class** Embrace all of your peers and be as involved as you can!

**Name** Mr. Wong  
**Subject** English  
**Likes** Organized, patient, and open-minded students.  
**Dislikes** students waiting for teachers to tell them what to do.  
**How to ace this class** Ask for & implement feedback!



**Name** Mme. Koloska  
**Subject** French  
**Likes** Students *engaging* in class. Students getting distracted on phones & cramming last-minute.  
**Dislikes** Find something that makes language learning fun.  
**How to ace this class**

# O4.

## Cautions & Warnings

1. Your schedule might not be just what you want.  
You can switch out of classes!  
It's best to go in person with your counselor. And speaking of courses; start thinking about what electives you want to choose for grade 9.  
**Don't follow your friends, follow your passion.**

2. Enjoy grade 8 while you can.

Make friends, join clubs, enjoy yourself, and have fun. **High school is a great place if you know how to make the best of it.** If you don't, it's going to feel like a prison cell.

And besides... it's the year you have the least academic stress.

# O5.

## Advice from seniors

<from Daniel Koo, class of 2024 valedictorian>

1. *Get to know your teachers* (make small conversations, say hi and bye when coming in and out of the classroom)
2. *Join different groups* (clubs, drama, choir, band, sports teams, student council, etc) to get a taste of different interests, and true school life, and make many new friends!
3. *Make good use of FIT time* to ask questions, and if you want to meet with a specific teacher during FIT, check their availability in case they might be busy!
4. *Stay true to yourself!* Make sure to be who you are.

Magee's top mystery:

## Fourth floor pool?!

"You can probably tell from first sight that Magee only has three floors," a grade 11 student says. Indeed, that is all you can see. However, for the longest time anyone could ever imagine, there was said to be a **fourth floor at Magee with a giant pool.**

This pool is known to be reserved for the grads of each year on their last day of school, accessible by the school janitors only. The entranceway to the pool has not been disclosed publicly yet; even the seniors don't know until their very last hour in high school. They are strictly forbidden to talk about anything related to the pool even after, hence the reason why nobody knows the truth behind the mystery.

IF you are lucky enough, you may be able to gain a sneak peek at it through one of the many doors stationed around the school. Remember, only one will lead you to the treasure.

## Thanks

We wish you the most wonderful year.

Signed,

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Magee Magazine Club

## 06. Sports & Clubs

Magee has a variety of sports teams and clubs you can join to make your school year all the more entertaining. The school sports are split into three different categories: fall, winter, and spring. These sports include but are not limited to volleyball, basketball, badminton, soccer, hockey, and tennis. For clubs, every year in late September, Magee holds a Clubs Day, where you can browse through clubs to sign up for and choose a few to join.

## 07. What's in my bag?



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