

Personalizing Your Blog

Now that you're familiar with Office 365, it's time to start your own blog! This will be a space for you to share your accomplishments over the next four years at Pinetree. Your blog will become your digital portfolio!

Before starting this assignment, you need to complete these two steps:

Step 1: Go to mypinetree.sd43.bc.ca click on the icon "log in" at the prompt: "Use my school ID" click on this icon then log in with your school email and password – click sign in.

Step 2: Access your personal site

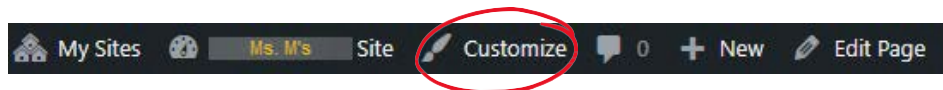
You will need to scroll to the top left corner of your screen and hover your mouse over the icon that is a single house and will have "your name's Student Blog." DO NOT CLICK ON IT, hover over it until you see a drop-down menu then click on "visit site" to start the rest of this assignment.

Assignment #2:

Your first task will be to personalize your blog to uniquely reflect who you are. **Remember that this blog is in a public space and will be shared with the world**, so personalizing your blog does not mean you should post selfies and personal information. Your blog will focus on your interests and passions! **Never** use your full name, but it's okay to use your first name. Be sure to remove your last name from any work you share! There is a full set of links listed at the bottom of this page to help you with each section. Please note that some of these videos are uploaded by Riverside (at this time we are currently revamping our Pinetree videos).

To successfully complete this assignment, you must do the following:

- 1. Personalize your blog:** To customize the look of your site, click on the *Customize* button at the top of the screen (see image below). For instructions on how to customize different aspects of the site, you can go to these links for help:



For this assignment, we ask that you do the following:

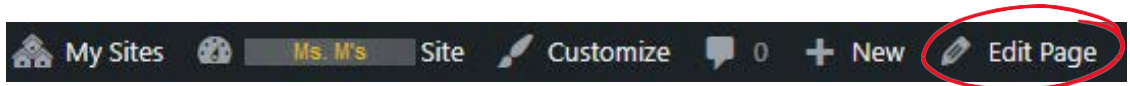


1. Change the pinecone **logo** to an image that better represents yourself (do **NOT** use an image of yourself)
2. Update the **tag-line** for your blog
3. Change the **header** image that will appear at the top of your site
4. Browse the different **themes** and **layouts** available and select the one you like best. **Don't pick a theme that has a largely black background – it will be hard to read text.**

2. **Update your About Me page:** Select the *About Me* page from your navigation menu.



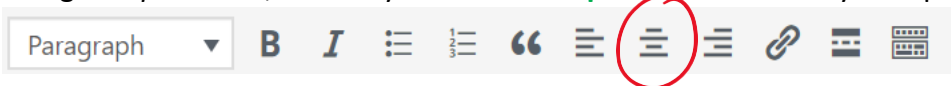
To begin editing this page, click on the *Edit Page* button at the top of the screen.



You must add the following to your **About Me** page:

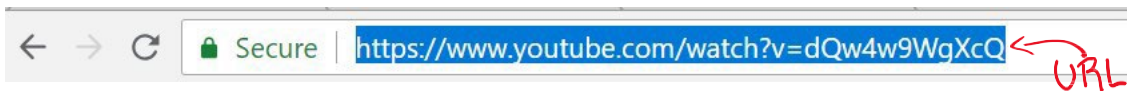
1. **Introduce yourself** by including your first name and writing a few short sentences about yourself. Remember, do **NOT** include details like your last name, address, birthdate, etc. Focus on your interests, hobbies, goals and aspirations!

2. Using the *quote tool*, include your **favourite quote** and share why this quote is important to you.

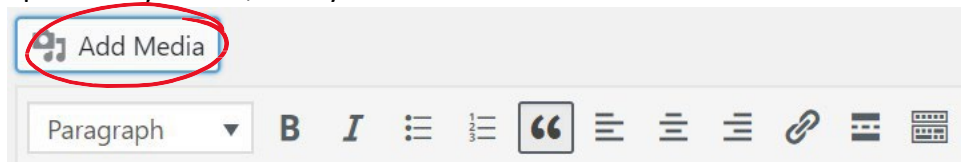


3. Add (embed) your **favourite video**. Copy the URL of the video into the editor to embed the video. Below the video, add a short explanation for why you chose this video.

[Instructions to help embed a video.](#)



4. Insert an interesting **photo** and explain why you chose this image. Once you have chosen a photo, click the *Add Media* button at the top of the editing window to upload it. Remember, do **NOT** use a photo of yourself, family or friends!



5. Finally, insert a **link to a website** that you care about or visit often and explain why this website is important to you. Use the *insert/edit link* button to add the URL.



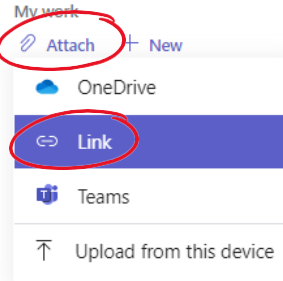
Remember, this will be your blog for your next four years at Pinetree. Turn it into something you can be proud of!

To submit this assignment through **Teams**, click on *Attach*. Select *Link* from the list of options and then copy the URL of your *About Me* page into the *Web address* field. Under the section "text to display" write Assignment #2. **Remember to click *Turn in* when you're done!**

Assignment 2 - Personalizing Your Blog

Due tomorrow at 11:59 PM

Instructions
Upload your blog link.



How to instructions for Edublog:

- Official Edublogs HOW TO: [Click for Instructions](#)
- How to Dashboard & how to navigate it: [Click for Instructions](#)
- How to Appearance & Themes: [Click for Instructions](#)
- *How to Create Categories:* [Click here for instructions in video format](#)
- How to Posts, Pages and more: [Click here for instructions](#)
- *How to Post:* [Click Here for Instructions](#) – jump to section “Classic Editor” section
- How to upload pictures: [Click for Instructions](#)
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