



Whoo's News



October 13, 2023

OCTOBER IS PRINCIPALS AND VICE-PRINCIPALS MONTH

As school leaders, they facilitate a common vision, act as lead collaborators, support distributed leadership, and all the while keeping the needs of each learner at the center of their work. **THANK YOU TO OUR ADMINISTRATION TEAM !**



LOOK!

STUDENT I.D. CARDS

New Student ID Cards have been distributed to students. Students that do not have a home-room, or are a cross-enrolled may pick up their ID in the office.

PICTURE RE-TAKES

Re-takes will be held on **October 18th.**

STUDENTS MUST BRING A PHOTO ID CARD WITH THEM FOR A RETAKE (*original or new one*).



Upcoming dates . .

Oct 16-17	Post Secondary Prep #1 at lunch in LLC
Oct 18	PHOTO RE-TAKES
Oct 20	NO SCHOOL—Pro-D Day
Oct 26	Dual Credit Info Night
Nov 5	Daylight Savings—Fall Back (1:00 a.m.)
Nov 7	UBC/UBC-O PSI Presentation
Nov 8	Quarter 1 Ends
Nov 9	Quarter 2 Begins
Nov 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov 13	NO SCHOOL—in lieu of Remembrance Day
Nov 14	KSS PAC Meeting at KSS Library
Nov 17	Harmony Day
Nov 23	Report Cards published in Student MyEd Portal



SPIRITWEAR

KSS Spirit Wear Store is now open!

Online sales of hoodies, crewneck sweatshirts, and t-shirts are available only **until October 29!**

Please order [HERE](#).





KSS ATHLETICS

We are looking for a Jr. Girls Basketball Coach! The season will begin at the end of October. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Athletic Director Mr. Bernhardsson at: arnar.bernhardsson@sd23.bc.ca



For updates, and Athletic calendar, see KSS Athletics on the KSS Website under "Students" top tab. [HERE](#) is a link.

KELOWNA VS. RUTLAND - FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Come out to support the KSS Owls as they take on Rutland Friday, **October 13th**, 2023, at the Apple Bowl. Game is at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 for Students and \$5 for Adults.

Make sure to wear your **BLACK AND GOLD!** GO OWLS!



Photo Credit: April Anderson - A-Game Photography

HOMEcoming - MOUAT VS. KELOWNA

We welcome all Owls from past to present to come on out to the Apple Bowl on Friday, **October 20th**, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. for our big homecoming football game against conference rival, WJ Mouat! There will be entertainment, DJ, and much more fun! Cost is only \$2 for Students and \$5 for Adults.

Make sure to wear your **BLACK AND GOLD!**

GO OWLS!

The KSS Best of the West

Sr. Boys & Sr. Girls Volleyball Matches

Friday, October 13th

9am KSS Girls Black vs. Mother Margaret Mary

10:20am KSS Boys vs. Elgin Park

10:20am KSS Girls vs. Vernon

11:40am KSS Girls Black vs. Penticton

1pm KSS Boys vs. Walnut Grove

1pm KSS Girls vs. DP Todd

3:40pm KSS Boys vs. Duchess Park

3:40pm KSS Girls vs. Earl Marriott

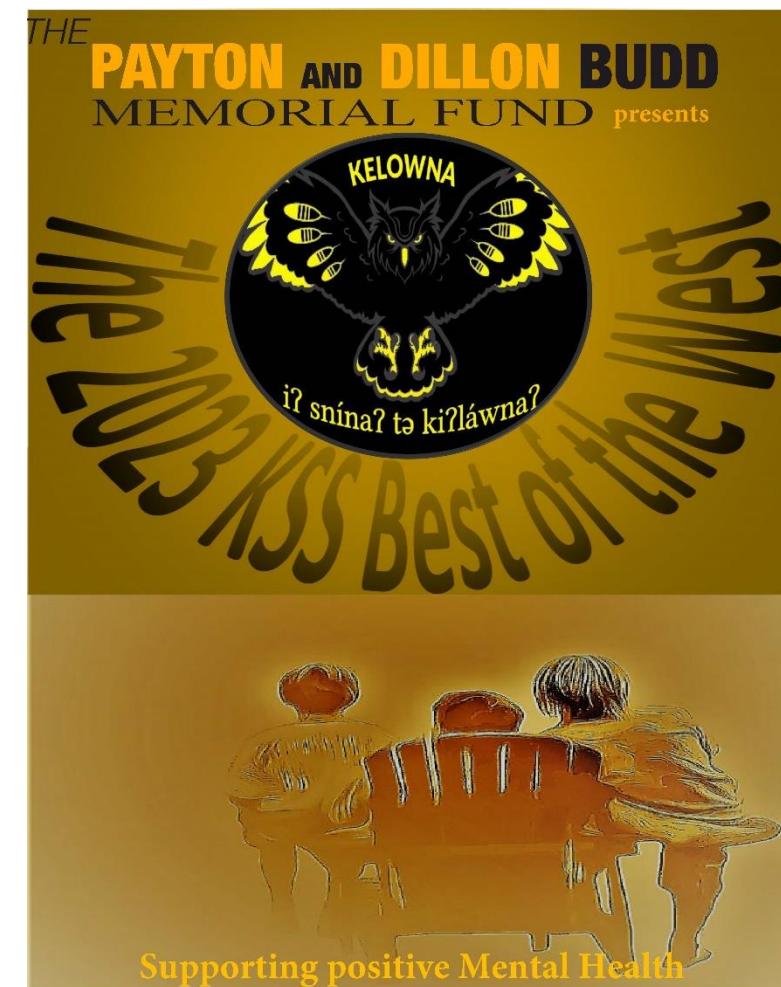
7:40pm KSS Girls Black vs. Mt. Baker

Saturday, October 14th

9am – 12:30pm BOTW Quarterfinals

2pm & 3:10pm BOTW Semifinals

4:20pm BOTW Gold Medal Finals



GRAD 2024



From your 2024 Prom Committee:

Dear Parents and Guardians of Kelowna Secondary School Grade 12 Students,

1. New direct fundraising approach coming in Nov - more info in a couple of weeks.
2. Prom will be held May 17, 2024, at the [Delta Grand Okanagan Resort](#), in downtown Kelowna.
3. If you'd like to volunteer to help with this year's prom, you can sign up [HERE](#)
4. We're looking for corporate sponsors, if you are interested please email us at ksspromcommittee@gmail.com.

Warm greetings as we anticipate another landmark year for our students! Please mark your calendars for KSS Prom 2024 on Friday, May 17th at the Delta Grand Okanagan Resort in Downtown Kelowna. Students will go straight from the grad walk to prom with lots of photo opportunities for parents, guardians, family, and friends. We also have a few exciting surprises in store.

We are thrilled to introduce a fresh, streamlined approach to fundraising for the Class of 2024's graduation celebrations. With the passion and commitment of our parent committee members – Amber Batke, Marni Adam, Janna Hansen, Patti Minck, and Karen Olsson – we're initiating a direct-pay fundraiser. Beginning this November, we will be inviting families to contribute a one-time Prom Event Fee through the school's cash online service. Direct fundraising will significantly aid us in locking down a fabulous venue, outstanding entertainment, and delectable food and beverages ahead of time.

More information on the direct fundraiser will be coming out in the next few weeks as the committee locks down costs, of course choice to participate in the direct pay program is entirely voluntary. If you opt not to join, we have a diverse array of fundraising events planned throughout the year where your contribution would be immensely beneficial. Remember, every form of involvement counts in making our graduates' day truly unforgettable.

Ensuring inclusivity, we stress that no student will be left out of graduation events due to monetary constraints. For those in a position to do so, there will be an option to contribute additionally to support fellow families who may face challenges in this aspect. As well as many opportunities for corporate sponsorships.

Also, parent involvement is what will make the prom event truly exceptional, and we warmly invite you to volunteer with us. Sign up [HERE](#) to be a part of this exciting milestone in your child's life!

Connect with us! If you have any questions or wish to get more involved, please reach out at ksspromcommittee@gmail.com.

With heartfelt thanks,
Kelowna Secondary School - Parent Prom Committee Class of 2024

GRAD PHOTOS

Graduation Photo appointments will be held between November 25—December 21.

Students may make their appointment via QR code:





KSS PAC



The Parent Advisory Council plays an important role in the school. While there is a PAC executive, every parent/guardian with a child at KSS is automatically a PAC member and is encouraged and welcome to attend and give input/ask questions at any or all PAC meetings. It's a great way to stay connected to school happenings.

THE NEXT KSS PAC MEETING IS

Tuesday Nov 14th and will be IN PERSON at KSS LLC at 6:30 p.m.

For more information on KSS PAC, including all meeting dates, minutes of meetings and PAC Executive, please see KSS Website, Parents, PAC. Link is [HERE](#).

Discover UBC's Okanagan Campus is an opportunity to visit UBC's Okanagan campus in-person and learn more about its close-knit community and world-class academic experience. Recruiters will be there to share more about the application process and answer any questions that your students might have.

Your students can register online at the links below, or they can register in-person at the event.

When:

Saturday, October 21, 2023 - 06:30 p.m. – 07:30 p.m. PDT. Register [HERE](#).

Saturday, November 25, 2023 - 06:30 p.m. – 07:30 p.m. PDT . Register [HERE](#).

Where: UBC's Okanagan Campus (Kelowna) in the UNC Ballroom , 3272 University Way

2023 Post Secondary Institution Representative Visits to KSS

<i>Date</i>	<i>PSI Name</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Oct. 19 th	University of Calgary rep	11:30-12:30	MPR
Oct. 25 th	University of Victoria Business Faculty presentation	11:30-12:30	101E
Nov. 21 st	University of Saskatchewan	11:30-12:30	MPR
Nov. 21 st	Center for Arts & Technology	11:30-12:30	MPR



UBCO Engineering Event for Girls*

All-Girls* Event

Join us for a captivating and exciting day at UBCO that is all about Engineering. In this free event you will meet current UBCO faculty and students as you are led through fun hands-on activities including **design challenges**.

Connect with other like-minded students and talk to undergraduate **mentors** who will share their stories and experiences.

**Online Registration required...
Visit the KSS Career Centre to
sign-up. Deadline to apply is
Thursday, October 19**

Innovative Engineering: The World of Biomedical Technology

Grade 10-12

October 25th, 2023

UBC Okanagan campus

Busing provided

Pizza Lunch provided

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*We have an inclusive view of the word "girl" and we welcome trans, genderqueer, and non-binary participants.



Central Okanagan
Public Schools
Together We Learn

SAVE THE DATE!

DUAL CREDIT INFO NIGHT

Thursday, October 26, 2023



STUDENTS & PARENTS WELCOME!!

Central Okanagan Public Schools is hosting a **Dual Credit Information Night** on **Thursday, October 26, 2023** at 6:00 pm at **Kelowna Secondary School**.

The purpose of this event is to showcase our Dual Credit Program options and provide an opportunity for students and parents to communicate directly with our post-secondary and industry training partners.

Please join us to discover the many benefits of a dual credit program, including tuitions sponsorships and the ability for students to get a head start on a rewarding career.

Agenda

5:30 pm: Doors open to public to visit with post-secondary partners

6:00 pm: Dual Credit Presentation Overview - Bob Boback

6:20-7:00 pm: Parents & Students have an opportunity to talk with post-secondary partners to learn more

7:00 pm: End of Event



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VOLUNTEER AT YLW

JR. AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

In partnership with Central Okanagan Public Schools, YLW launched the Junior Ambassador Program in the summer of 2010. High School students in grade 10-12 at Central Okanagan Public Schools can earn their volunteer hours while gaining exposure to career opportunities in the aviation industry.

Volunteer work will center on customer service. Students will assist individuals by answering questions about the Airport and the community. Junior Ambassadors will greet guests and assist passengers in need as they enter and exit the airport, always maintaining a high level of professional customer service.

Volunteer hours are *flexible*, and shifts are available on weekdays and weekends. Students will be expected to commit to one 4-hour shift per week for a minimum of four months. Students must be able to provide their own transportation to and from their volunteer shifts (parking is free for volunteers).

For more information about the YLW Junior Ambassador Program and to pick up an application form, please visit the KSS Careers Office. **Fall 2023 registrations deadline is Friday, October 27, 2023.**



Parents In The Know



**DO YOU FEEL UNSURE OF HOW TO
SUPPORT YOUR TEEN?**

**An online education and group support program
that helps parents of teens (ages 13-18) explore
ways to improve communication skills, resolve
conflicts, and build positive relationships.**

JOIN US ONLINE
Wednesday's
(Oct. 18-Dec. 20)
6-8 p.m.

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