



Whoo's News

June 2, 2023



2023 Commencement Ceremonies

Dear Grads, parents & guardians:

It's almost time to cross the stage!



*On **Saturday, June 10**, grads will need to arrive at KSS 45 minutes before their ceremony time.*

*Students with last names beginning with **A-K** arrive at **9:15am** and go straight to the library.*

*Students with last names beginning with **L-Z**, arrive at **12:45pm** and go straight to the library.*

Main doors will open 30 minutes early for viewers to find seating in time for the ceremonies to begin at 10am and 1:30pm sharp.

*There are **NO** tickets required to attend KSS cap and gown ceremonies, but we ask that families consider that each ceremony is celebrating 300 grads, and to be mindful when bringing large families.*

The majority of our seating will be on bleachers. You are welcome to bring a cushion or sport seat if you have them. For any families requiring wheelchair-accessible seating, please contact dayna.culham@sd23.bc.ca and we will reserve floor seating.

It is expected that viewers will remain for the entire ceremony to honour all graduates and minimize disruption.



June 3	"Voices" (choirs) at St. Michael's Cathedral, 7:00—9:00 p.m.
June 5	Mrs. Dubois' Year-end Concert in KSS Gym, 7:00-9:00
June 6	Mrs. French's Year-end Concert in KSS Gym, 7:00-9:00
June 8	KSS Cancer Awareness Drive Thru Breakfast at Rona, 7:00—9:00 a.m.
June 10	Commencement Ceremonies in KSS Gym
June 12	Grade 12 Music Recital Concert at KSS, 7:00—9:00 p.m.. - <u>NEW DATE!</u>
June 14	Athletic Celebration, 11:44 a.m.— 12:34 p.m. - <u>NEW DATE!</u>
June 14	Jazz in the KSS MPR Coffee House, 6:00—8:00 p.m.
June 15	KSS Carnival (back fields)
June 20	Vocal Jazz Night in KSS MPR, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
June 23	Semester 2 / Term 4 Ends
June 23	2023-2024 Timetables published in MyEd Portal
June 29	Last Day of School / Final Report Cards are published in MyEd Portal

Parents and GRADS!

Have you purchased your link for all of the Grad Walk/Prom photos yet? Well NOWS THE TIME!

When a minimum of 300 links are purchased, Do U Photography will gift 3 GRADS \$500 EACH! We are only at approx 175!!! 🙏

All you need to do is send \$15 via etransfer to douphotography@icloud.com with your GRADS full name and the email you wish the link to be sent to written in the ETRANSFER MEMO! Purchases close June 9th.

On July 10th the link will be emailed to you and you will have access to ALL of the pictures taken by Do U photography!

It's so easy and a wonderful way to treasure your GRAD's day with their classmates and friends.

This is a great way help kick start 3 GRADS financial future!

*should your bank not allow special characters in the memo line, please write your Grads full name and then email Do U Photography stating your issue and write your grads name and email for the link to be sent to.



JUNE IS NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH



June is Indigenous Canadian History Month and June 21 (Summer Solstice) is National Indigenous Peoples Day. The Government of Canada Website - link [HERE](#) - provides more details around the creation of the month of recognition and learning.

There are a few events happening in BC during this month including a Pow Wow in Penticton called Between the Lakes. *See below—*

FOUR SEASONS CULTURAL SOCIETY

POWWOW

BETWEEN THE LAKES

“Healing the Nation”

SnPink'tn Penticton, BC

June 23-25, 2023

South Okanagan Events Centre

Host Drum: Southern Express

Honorary Drum: High Water

Master of Ceremonies: Francis James
& Joseph Pierre

Arena Director: Gary Abbott

Head Lady: Nicole Schellenberg

Head Man: Tyrone Kruger

Host Hotel: TBA

Head Drum Judge: TBA

Head Dance Judge: TBA

Specials:

Kylie Jack Coming Out

Graduation Special

Head Woman's Old-Style Jingle

Head Man's Switch Up

Sweetheart Special

Two Spirited Special (Jill Setah)

Overdose Awareness Special

Residential School Blanket Dance

(All proceeds to IRSSS)

Tiny Tot Special in memory of Edna
and Clara Jack

(1st \$200, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100 and 4th \$50)

Vendors: Native Handicrafts Only

Admission: TBA

Pow Wow Info Contact:

@FourSeasonsCulturalSociety

fourseasonspowwow@gmail.com

250-488-7199

www.penticton.ca/powwow

June 23 Grand Entry 7 pm

June 24 Grand Entry 1 pm and 7 pm

June 25 Grand Entry 1 pm

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Four Seasons Cultural Society has all rights to the Pow Wow.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The KSS year-end Concerts are on June 5 and 6. Mrs. Dubois' is Monday, June 5th and Mrs. French's is Tuesday, June 6th. Both concerts are at 7:00 p.m. in the KSS gym. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Performing ensembles include Night Owl Orchestra, KSS Show Band, Ephalents R&B Band, as well as student soloists. We hope to see you there!

Kelowna Secondary School Jazz and Vocal presents:

Voices at St. Michael's Cathedral

Saturday, June 3rd
7:00 pm

Doors open at 6:30 pm

St. Michael's
Cathedral

608 Sutherland Ave,
Kelowna

Admission is by donation at
the door



KSS ATHLETICS

JR BOYS RUGBY

Our Jr Boys Rugby Team won Valleys, beating out Kamloops. ***Good luck at Provincials!***



3A BOYS RUGBY

Our 3A Boys Rugby Team were *undefeated* in league play and beat Rutland in Valleys this year. ***Good luck at Provincials !***



For the most up-to-date information on KSS Athletics, please visit KSS website, Athletics Department. Link [HERE](#).

2023 KSS Football Registration

KSS Football registration has begun for the 2023 season! We welcome Grade 10s and 11s to sign up to be part of a championship program! No experience necessary! If you want to be part of something special and are committed to being T.O.U.G.H., this is the place for you!

Important Dates:

Spring Camp: Monday, June 5th, 2023 - Friday, June 16th, 2023

Spring Scrimmages: JV - Monday, June 19th, 2023 Varsity - Tuesday June 20th, 2023 @ KSS - Time TBD

Training Camp: Monday, August 21st, 2023 - Friday, September 1st, 2023

All practice times are from 5PM - 7PM on the KSS Fields.

The registration package must be completed and handed in before participating.

Please contact Chris Cartwright for any other questions—chris.cartwright@sd23.bc.ca.

T.O.U.G.H. PEOPLE WIN!

Be T.O.U.G.H.!

GO OWLS!





ÉCOLE KELOWNA SECONDARY SCHOOL

2023-2024 CALENDAR

DESIGNATION	SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 Local Calendar 2023/2024
Days in session	191 (3 summer Pro Days August 29, 30, 31)
Number of days of instruction	184
Number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open	Tuesday, September 5
In lieu of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - September 30 (schools closed)	Monday, October 2 * amended to coincide with Federal/Provincial day
Administrative Implementation Day	Friday, October 6
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 9
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 20
In lieu of Remembrance Day November 11 (schools closed)	Monday, November 13
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	December 25 – January 5
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Monday, January 1
Schools reopen after Winter vacation	Monday, January 8
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 16
Family Day	Monday, February 19
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	March 18 – March 28
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, March 29
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 1
Schools reopen after Spring vacation	Tuesday, April 2
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 20
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 28

REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

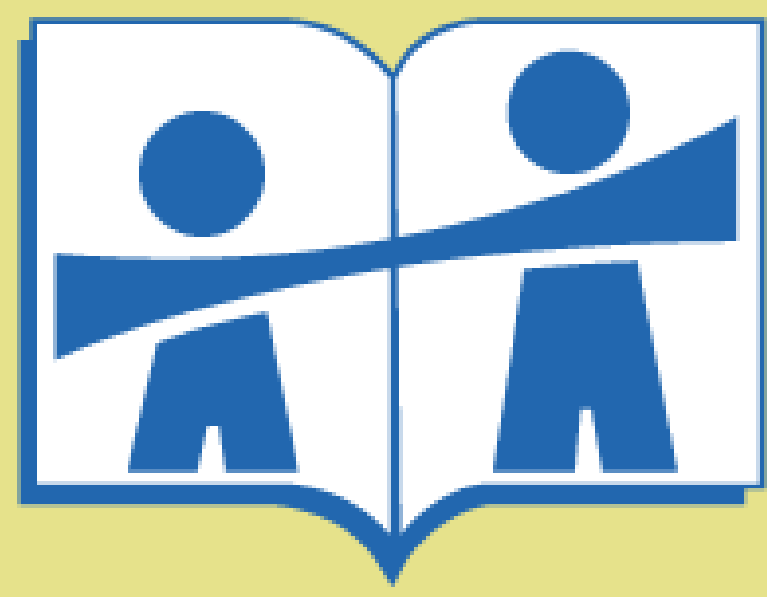
8:55 a.m.	Warning Bell
9:00—10:18	Period 1
10:28—11:45	Period 2
11:45—12:30	Lunch
12:30—1:48	Period 3
1:58—3:16	Period 4

Report Cards

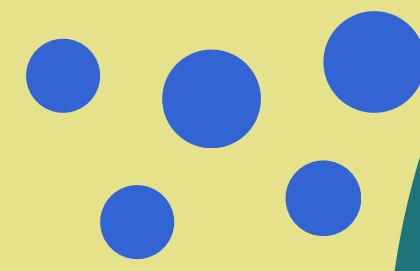
November 23, 2023	February 12, 2024
May 2, 2024	June 27, 2024

Early Dismissal

PT Conferences—October 11, 2023 1:30 dismissal
PT Conferences—March 6, 2024 1:30 dismissal
Capstone—January 17, 2024 12:30 dismissal
Capstone—May 29, 2024 12:30 dismissal



Central Okanagan
Public Schools
Together We Learn



June 13, 2023
6:00 – 7:00 PM
Board Room

Affinity Group for Parents/Guardians of Black Students

LOCATION: 1040 HOLLYWOOD ROAD, KELOWNA, BC
HOSTED BY: BRENT CARMICHAEL

Please join us to provide input and continue the conversation on improving educational experiences for Black students in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

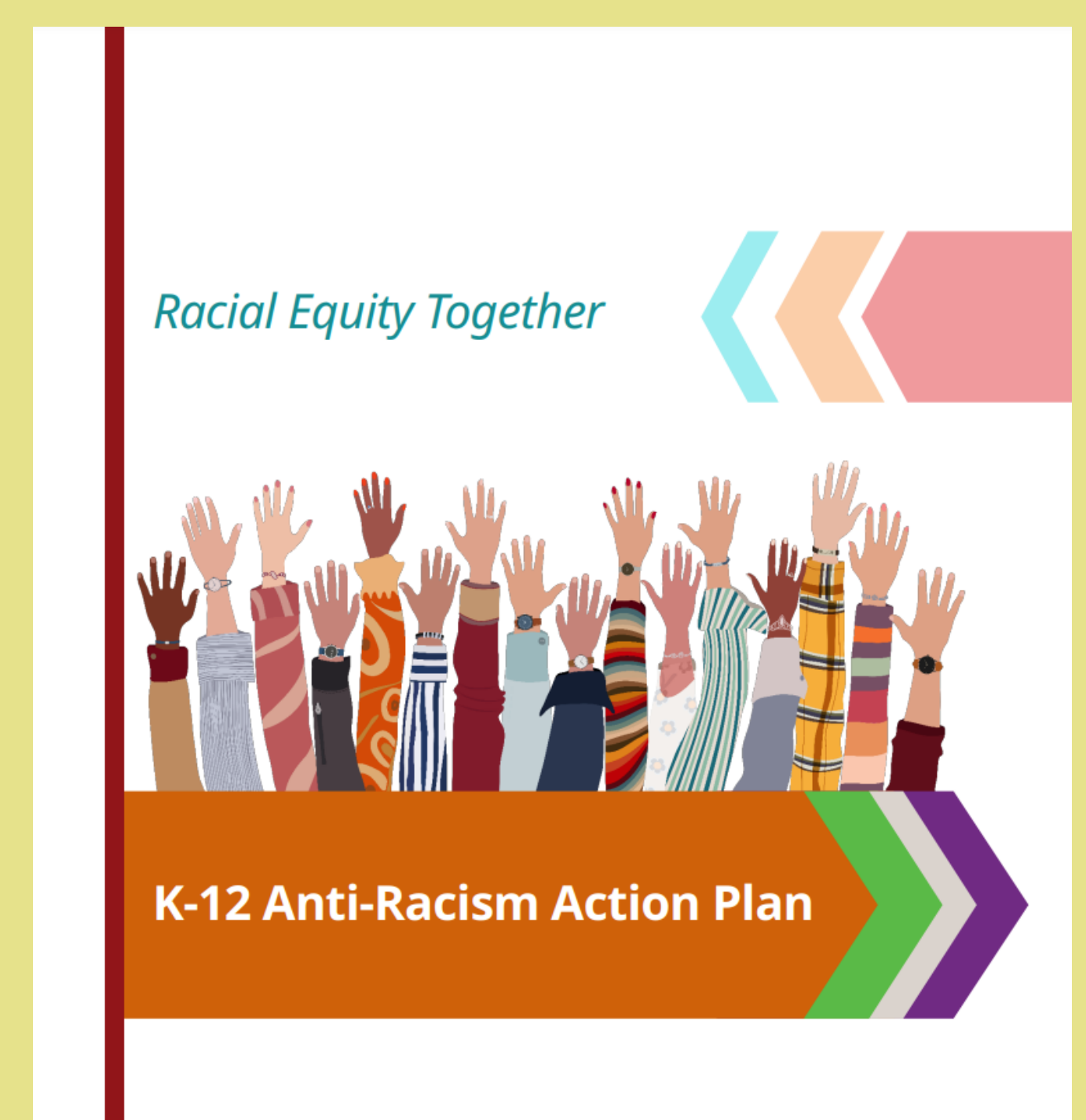
**Click the image to review the
K-12 Anti-Racism Action Plan**



WHAT IS AN AFFINITY GROUP?

An Affinity Group is defined as a group linked by a common purpose, ideology, or interest.

We will be hosting our third Affinity Group Meeting focused on Black students for their guardians, parents, and other community members in April.





Canada Safety Council
SUMMER 2023



HOME ALONE AND BABYSITTING COURSES

HOME ALONE COURSE

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Age: 9 yrs and up



BABYSITTING COURSE

Time: 9:00 - 2:00 pm

Age: 10 yrs and up

Register online at www.babysittingkelowna.com or
text/call 250-317-2868 or email: kidz4safety@gmail.com

KELOWNA, PEACHLAND, PENTICTON, LAKE COUNTRY