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March 10, 2023

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KSS Indigenous Inquiry Project



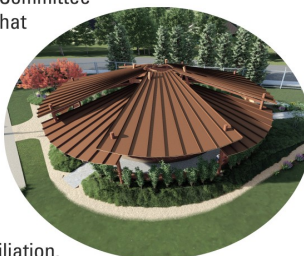
An outdoor
learning
space



The KSS Truth and Reconciliation Advisory Committee has created an Outdoor Classroom design that has been proposed for construction on our school field between the school and the basketball courts.

The purpose of the project is to bridge all students with the land, honour local Indigenous teachings, create a welcoming outdoor gathering space, and partner with people interested in being a part of Reconciliation.

This will be a space that emphasizes the use and celebration of Indigenous ways of knowing and being. Students involved have worked on designs to create a space that reflects values of respecting the land, learning outside, storytelling, and many cross-curricular initiatives. The space is also meant to be inclusive, accessible, welcoming, versatile, and safe.



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Donations
can be made in person
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go to *School Cash Online*
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KSS Indigenous Inquiry Project

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 18-April 2

April 3

April 7

April 10

April 11

April 21

April 21

May 4

Spring Break

School reopens after Spring Break

Good Friday—No School

Easter Monday—No School

KSS PAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Term 3 ends

Airband Final Performance 7:00 p.m.

Report Cards release Digitally via MyEd BC

SPRING FORWARD!

Daylight Savings Time begins
Sunday, March 12th.

Set your clocks 1 hour forward
before bed on Saturday!



GRAD 2023



For current updates, please ensure that you are reading the Whoo's News, checking the school website, and that your grads are following the grad Instagram @kss2023_, and the Grad 2023 Information Google Classroom.

Link to school website [HERE](#).

Grad Clothing

The second order of grad clothing that ended February 1 will be available for pick-up in room 193 AT LUNCH next week!

The third and final order will be posted soon. Check the KSS website for the updated store link next week. Link [HERE](#).

Grad 2023 Spaghetti and Trivia Night

Mr. Kormany would like to invite all current KSS grade 12 students to a Spaghetti Dinner and Trivia night at KSS on Wednesday, April 5. Please RSVP using this Google Form before Thursday, March 16. RSVP [HERE](#).

Regular spaghetti and marinara sauce, caesar salad (not guaranteed vegetarian), garlic bread, and gluten-free pasta will be provided. To eliminate single-use forks, BYO cutlery!

BOTTLE DRIVE FOR THE GRAD CLASS!!! Please help us raise funds for the 2023 KSS Prom by bringing your empty bottles to the Return-It Express drop off at the Kent Road Bottle Depot @ 1936 Kent Rd. Simply bring your containers to the depot in sealed, transparent blue or clear bags, and enter the KSS grad class number at the Express kiosk located just inside the building (250-KSS-GRAD = 250-577-4723). You will be prompted to select the number of bags you're dropping off, and the kiosk will automatically print stickers for each of your bags with the KSS Grad Express account code. Tag each of your bags with a sticker, and drop the bags off in the designated Express drop-off area (outside the building) to be counted and credited to our account. (Note: a maximum of 12 glass bottles can be included in each bag.)

Please help us spread the word, & THANK YOU for your support!!

KSS 2023 Prom Fundraising and Sponsorship

The 2023 Prom Committee is raising funds and seeking sponsorship in order to make the 2023 prom on May 19 affordable and accessible to all grads. Please see "Prom Sponsorship Letter" (page 4) to support these fundraising efforts and to help make this a great year for your grads!

Don't miss the chance to order a Wow the Yard sign to let your neighbors know you have a grad! *See next page—*



GRAD FUNDRAISER

Celebrate your GRAD!

**GRAD KEEPER
SIGNS
2023**



**\$5 FROM EVERY
SIGN GOES TO
SUPPORT THE
GRADS!**

- These signs are 18" high x 15.5" wide, and are for you to keep, they will look like the picture above.
- All signs need to be ordered by April 23rd, 2023.
- Signs will be delivered to the school by May 15th, 2023. for pickup
- Signs come with a yard stake for \$25 + tax, and a portion will go to the grad committee.
- Personalize them for \$10 more.
- Link to book is here: <https://form.jotform.com/211265528801250>
- For more information regarding our full size sign rentals, please go to www.wowtheyard.com



For more info, visit
www.wowtheyard.com
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wowtheyardkelowna@gmail.com
or 250-864-3480

Attention 2023 Grads!
We are pleased to announce
your 'Prom Night' plans are well underway!

Date: Friday May 19th, 2023

Location: Sunset Ranch Golf & Country Club

More details coming soon!

Parent volunteers will be needed in several areas!

Please see the Prom tab in the Grad section of our KSS website for regular updates.

Currently we are in urgent need of a 'Parent Fundraising Coordinator' volunteer!
If interested please email Dayna.culham@sd23.bc.ca

***** This event will be for Grade 12 KSS students only! *****

KSS 2023 Graduate Parent

As graduation quickly approaches, and anticipation builds we want to invite you to become more involved in GRAD fundraising activities. Graduating is a significant milestone that deserves to be celebrated, and we believe that fundraising will help make it more memorable and affordable for everyone. We all know that costs have risen, and that is no different in the event planning world. If we ALL contribute in some way, we can provide a memorable celebration for all students of the KSS 2023 Graduation Class.

Fundraising activities will not only provide financial support for the event but also create a sense of community within the graduating class. Our goal is to keep the Prom tickets under \$75. This will depend on your participation. Here are some of the ways you can contribute:

1. Support KSS Fundraising efforts:
 - Student Organized Bottle Drive
 - Wow Your Yard 2023 Graduation Sign
 - Silent Action
 - 50/50 draw
2. Contribute or solicit a product or service for the Silent Auction or Door Prize
3. Participate by Sponsoring a Prom night activity: Activities such as a photo booth can be sponsored with signage for your business highlighted at the event. There are several activity options and Sponsorship tiers to choose from.
4. Sponsor an individual Grad by purchasing their Prom ticket.

For more information on a financial donation or Sponsorship of an activity contact kssprom2023@gmail.com

By participating in fundraising activities, we can ensure that we have a successful and memorable graduation with an affordably priced ticket. This way we will ensure that each graduate has the opportunity to attend. We believe that each one of you has something unique to contribute and we encourage you to get involved and make the KSS 2023 Graduation a HUGE success.

If you have made it all the way to the end of this letter, there is at least a little bit of interest. We are still seeking team members to help with some of these fundraising initiatives and would really appreciate your help. Please contact kssprom2023@gmail.com

For more up to date information click [here](#).

Sincerely,

KSS 2023 Grad Parent Committee

KSS PAC

The purpose of the KSS PAC is to promote and improve the quality of education and the well-being of students at Kelowna Secondary School.

Attention 2023 KSS Grads:

The KSS Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will be awarding **two bursaries and two scholarships** to KSS grads who will be pursuing post-secondary education in the fall of 2023. Each award will be for \$1,000. Please visit the KSS PAC section of the KSS Website [HERE](#) for these applications. The applications are also available to pick up in the KSS Counselling Centre.

Applications are due back to the KSS Counselling Centre **by April 12, 2023.**

KSS PAC Executive, meeting minutes, meeting dates and other PAC information may also be found in the PAC section of the KSS Website.

The next PAC Meeting is on April 11th at 6:30 p.m. All parents are welcome to attend!



Accessibility Flag Design Contest (March 1 – April 28)

Easter Seals invites students in grades 6-8 and 9-12 across B.C. and the Yukon to enter its [AccessAbility Flag Design Contest](#). The contest is designed to bring out the creativity of students and spark a discussion in the classroom around INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND ACCESS, leading up to National AccessAbility Week, May 28-June 3, 2023. Students are asked to design a flag that symbolizes what diversity means to them and what B.C./Yukon looks like as an AccessAble society. There are prizes for teachers and students. Please see the link [HERE](#).

RUNNER UPS

Grades 9-12



Christine S., Grade 11,
Sullivan Heights Secondary, Surrey



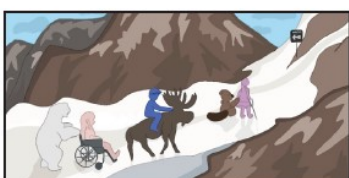
Elise M., Grade 10,
St. John's Academy, Shawnigan Lake



Isha G., Grade 11,
Sullivan Heights Secondary, Surrey



Julia B., Grade 11,
Sullivan Heights Secondary, Surrey



Maedlyn W., Grade 9,
Sullivan Heights Secondary, Surrey



Malia M., Grade 11,
Sullivan Heights Secondary, Surrey

KSS Sr. Girls Basketball Team

Congratulations to our Sr. Girls Basketball Team who finished 5th at last weekend's 4A Provincial Tournament for Senior Girls. The girls finished with a 3-1 record with our only loss to the eventual champion Riverside Rapids. They also overcame a 20 point deficit during the 5th place game to eventually win. The girls competed well and finished the season on a positive note. Big thanks to all the coaches, players, parents, and community members for their support throughout the season!



KSS Sr. Girls Soccer Team

Congratulations to our Sr. Girls Soccer Team who just returned from the Burnaby Lakes Tournament. A solid 17 goals were scored while giving up only 2, putting them in 5th place finish among 16 teams. Next action is Monday at 4 p.m. on the KSS fields!



Centre for Arts & Technology Scholarships

The future of creative careers is ever-evolving, and we want YOU to be a part of it. Centre for Arts and Technology will award scholarships to passionate Canadian high school students in grade 12 who are able to demonstrate their dedication to this growing creative landscape.

Grade 12 students with a flair for creativity are invited to apply. Think you've got what it takes? See their website [HERE](#) for more information and to apply!

Applications are open until June 28th.



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HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE AWARDS

**Planning to attend Okanagan College next fall?
You may be eligible for an entrance award.**

Students graduating from a secondary school within the Okanagan College region (Revelstoke to Princeton) entering Okanagan College in September 2023 may be eligible for the following awards.

- OKANAGAN COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS
- OKANAGAN COLLEGE COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARDS
- OKANAGAN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS ENTRANCE AWARDS
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- MCGILLIVRAY ENTRANCE AWARD FOR BUSINESS
- TONY SELLAR LEADERSHIP ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP
- JOHNSTONE MEMORIAL AWARDS
- OC PENTICTON CAMPUS HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

**APPLICATIONS OPEN
DECEMBER 1, 2022**

HOW TO APPLY:
Eligibility criteria and details about how to apply online are available by visiting okanagan.bc.ca/awards
APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Online Applications will be accepted until March 10, 2023. Students and school staff will have until March 17, 2023 to provide required documentation.

Questions? Contact awards@okanagan.bc.ca
or Toll Free in BC: 1-800-767-5492



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STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FAMILY SUNDAYS AT THE KELOWNA ART GALLERY

Students will work under the supervision of the staff at the Kelowna Art Gallery for the Family Sundays Art Program. The student volunteers will assist with the activities provided each Sunday to children and families. Students should be interested in art and working with children and families. The timing will be from 11:30 am to 4:30 pm each Sunday.

Kelowna Art Gallery
1315 Water Street



**PLACEMENTS WILL BE ONGOING
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN
APPLICATION PACKAGE, PLEASE COME TO
THE CAREER CENTRE**