



WHOO'S NEWS

JANUARY 23, 2026



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JAN 26

SEMESTER TURN-AROUND DAY
NO SCHEDULED CLASSES

JAN 27

1 / 2 - 3 / 4
Semester 2 / Quarter 3 begins

JAN 28

5 / 6 - 7 / 8
IH Student Wellness Clinics (AM)

JAN 29

1 / 2 - 3 / 4

JAN 30

5 / 6 - 7 / 8

UPCOMING DATES

Feb 5-7	Western Canada Basketball Tournament
Feb 6	Student Written Learning Updates are published
Feb 10	Strategic Plan Public Session in MPR 6-9 p.m.
Feb 11	IH Student Wellness Clinics (a.m.) in Career Ctr
Feb 11	2026-2027 Course Request Parent Sessions
Feb 13	Pro-D Day - NO SCHOOL
Feb 16	Family Day - NO SCHOOL
Feb 17	KSS PAC Budget Meeting in LLC at 6:30 p.m.
Feb 17-18	Interim Reports
Feb 25	IH Wellness Clinics (a.m.) in Career Ctr
Mar 2	Music Showcase Concert & Silent Auction
Mar 4	Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m.
Mar 4	Parent-Teacher Conferences in Gym 4-6 p.m.
Mar 16-27	SPRING BREAK

Welcome

Hello KSS community,

To introduce myself, I want to first express how grateful I am to have the opportunity to join the outstanding team at Kelowna Secondary School. I started my career as a senior secondary English and Social Studies teacher and am now in my seventeenth year of school administration having had the privilege of serving school communities in each zone of School District 23. I hold strong beliefs in the power of educators to collaborate and create unique, special, and life-changing educational experiences for our young people. I look forward to learning from and working alongside the staff, students, and families at KSS through this work. Taking over for Mr. Parker will be a big job, but I am excited about the opportunity to do so. Please come and say hello when you see me or reach out at any time.

Mr. Jim Laird
Principal
Kelowna Secondary School



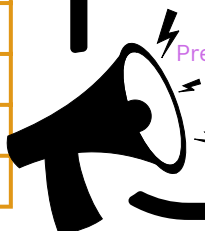
HALL PASSES

In an effort maximize classroom instructional time, KSS will be implementing a hall pass program for semester 2. Each classroom will have multiple hall passes for students to sign out.

2026-2027 COURSE REQUEST Parent Information Sessions on Feb 11th in KSS Gym:

2026-2027 Gr 10: 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Pre-AP Math for 2026-2027 Gr 10: 6:00-6:30 p.m.
2026-2027 Gr 11 & 12: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Parents and students are encouraged to attend.
No need to RSVP.



Volunteers needed!

Monday, Feb. 16th

FAMILY DAY

Volunteers are needed for
Family Day Fun!

Monday, February 16th, 2026,
noon - 4:30 p.m. MNP Place, 4205 Gordon Drive

Featuring fun and games for the whole family including a Park & Play bouncy castle, zorb soccer, active games, try-it sports scavenger hunt, and free ice skating!

For more information and an application form, please drop by your Career Centre!
Deadline to apply is Monday, Feb 9th!



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**Come to the Career/Counselling
Centre to sign up!**

KSS PROM COMMITTEE - FOLLOW US !

For updates, announcements, and important reminders,
please follow us on social media:

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KSS Prom Fundraiser

Bottle Drive

Help raise money to offset the price of prom tickets for our 2026 grads!

Ongoing Collection

Drop-off Location:
Any Columbia Bottle Depot.

Use the following number when you drop your bags off!
250 826 9523

email any questions to
natalie.spencer@sd29.bc.ca

Thank you for supporting us with your donation!

A graphic for a bottle drive fundraiser. It features several water bottles of different colors (blue, green, purple) and a yellow ribbon graphic. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout.