



Whoo's News

November 6, 2021

Remembrance Day



Lest we forget

Kelowna Secondary Remembrance Day

NOVEMBER
10

Wednesday 10:45

Introduction & Master of Ceremonies – Ms. Christey Hughes, Vice Principal, KSS
Okanagan Song – performed by Phoenix Prince
"O Canada" – Sung by Charly Reed, Tova Galvagno, Flora Wilson, Gabby MacLennan, Zahara Groeneswald, Kaela Peever
"In Flanders Fields" – text by John McCrae – music by Eleanor Daley, sung by KSS Chamber Choir
Last Post – Shaelyn Hunter, Ashton Springer, Cassius Grenier, Tomas Faccini and Quincy Lascelles

Two minutes of silence

Reveille – Shaelyn Hunter, Ashton Springer, Cassius Grenier, Tomas Faccini and Quincy Lascelles
Piper's Lament – Performed by Noah Truong

Photographers: Liam Kirk and Chelsea Clarke



On-line Report Cards at KSS

We are very happy to announce that KSS is moving to on-line reporting starting with our first report cards on November 25. Our Grade 11 and 12 students have already activated their accounts to access their schedules. **On Monday, we will send an invite and password to our Grade 10 and new students to activate their accounts.**

Passwords will be sent to their @learnaccount **ON MONDAY**. Instructions are below

Student MyEd Portal link: [CLICK HERE](#)

Login ID: stu23firstname.lastname

Password: copy and paste from e-mail sent to your @learnaccount (Passwords are case sensitive)

- ♦ Creating a password: Your password can't contain any parts of your name or birthday, and must include a capital letter, lowercase letter, number and symbol.
- ♦ After too many unsuccessful attempts, your account will be disabled and you will need to e-mail the office to have it reset during school hours: KelownaSecondary.School@sd23.bc.ca



A few friendly reminders about student attendance and sign out.:

- Students are not able to leave school without parent or guardian permission. They can't "sign themselves out". We are not able to accept notes or text messages.
- Please enter your students early dismissal in school messenger. If you are aware of an appointment you can enter it in advance. The teacher will see that they are excused

The System can be accessed three ways:

(1) Enter an Absence Using the Smartphone App (most user friendly)



2) Enter an Absence Using the Online Parent Portal

- visit go.schoolmessenger.ca

(3) Enter an Absence by Calling the School and selecting "Report an Absence"

Enhancing Substance Use Prevention in BC Schools Survey: In Phase 2 of an ongoing engagement initiative, the Province is seeking input on how to help meet the challenge of youth substance use and its associated harms. Please invite parents and caregivers in your school community to complete this [short survey](#) by November 19.



KSS Foundry bottle drive



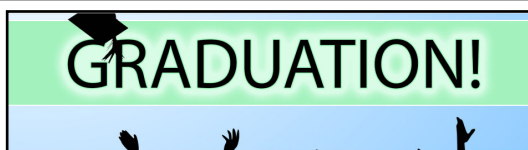
Dear KSS parents

We are collecting bottles for the month of November to raise money for the Foundry.

The Foundry is an organization in Kelowna that supports mental health and wellness for the youth of the Okanagan.

Please donate your bottles to any of the three bottle depots, and put them under the Kelowna Secondary phone number, 250-870-5105, and all proceeds will go straight to the Foundry.

Thank you for your support in our event, if you have any questions, please contact Mr. Triggs at



Attention Parents and/or Students!!!

Capstone Graduation Requirements

I would like to help clarify a few items that we are working on for our students in Career Life. Our District (and our Province) have been really stressing the importance of Career Life, Mentorship and a variety of student experiences in all areas of education. Our District and School Goals are to provide as many experiences as possible for our students, with particular emphasis on authentic career research. Please visit the [Career-Life Programs](#) Page on the KSS website for more information

Our District has identified that these experiences would be:

Program Shadows – these would be related to any Dual Credit program...students would connect with Mr. Parmar regarding these opportunities.

Job Shadows – these would be district approved experiences...students must connect with Ms. Gross regarding these opportunities.

Virtual Job Shadows – these are new to our district in light of our current environment...students would connect with Ms. Gross.

Indigenous Elder Experiences – these are new to our school and Mr. Sodaro will continue to work with our Indigenous Education Department on these.

Career Spotlights – these will be offered to students in a variety of ways, including in person/zoom here at KSS or visits to UBCO/OUC, etc...

All of these Career Life Mentorship Experiences would be considered authentic career research, which meets the District and Ministry goals for our graduating students. If you do have students struggling to find authentic career research opportunities, please have them continue checking our Career Mentorship Experience Google Sign-up sheet at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdfVM6XZdOeGLk-7vd6o2LtUw1ZIWJ2Po3Klb3eICnEZsPltw/viewform>

If there are parents and/or community members that would like to volunteer for one of these Mentorship Experiences or willing to contribute to our students' overall experience and development, please contact:

Tony Sodaro

tony.sodaro@sd23.bc.ca

Chris Cartwright

chris.cartwright@sd23.bc.ca

Camille Gross

camille.gross@sd23.bc.ca

KSS Parent Advisory Group News

The KSS PAC is updating its Constitution & Bylaws to reflect current roles, responsibilities and policies. Notice of proposed changes must be announced to the KSS community at least two weeks prior to the vote. The current PAC Constitution can be viewed on the KSS website [here](#) and the proposed changes are included [here](#). In summary, the proposed changes:

- add Indigenous Chair position
- update terms by changing his/her to their, Chairperson to Chair
- rename Applied Skills to Technical Education
- remove Nominations Chair appointment and duties
- provide AGM notification/call for nominations at ONE meeting prior to the AGM
- remove task of forming a committee for each department Chair



Any comments or questions can be sent via email to the PAC at kss.pac@sd23.bc.ca. The new Bylaws are on the agenda to be adopted at the next PAC meeting on Tuesday, November 9, 2021. In addition, we will be voting on the 2021-22 PAC budget at this meeting.

JAZZ & CHORAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT ZOOM MEETING FOR PARENTS!!



**Tuesday, November 16,
7:00 PM.**



Zoom link will be emailed that day.

Meet Mrs. French! Topics: Concerts, Festivals, Uniforms, etc.

We are still looking for an awesome volunteer for our Senior Girl's B Basketball Team!

*"Some people want it to happen. Some wish it would happen. Others make it happen."
Michael Jordan*

Contact Mr. B @ arnar.bernhardsson@sd23.bc.ca



Jr. Boys and Girls BB Tryouts sometime after November 15th.

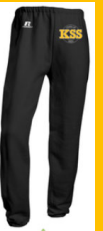
Please stay tuned to next week's Whoo's news for more details on tryouts!



Grad Clothing

Here is the link to the first of three grad clothing sales: <https://kssgrad22.itemorder.com/sale>

The deadline for this round is November 7 in order to receive the shipment at KSS in time for winter break. When the order arrives, students will be notified of when and where to pick up their items. We will also post in the next Whoo's News that orders have arrived, and when and where to pick-up. Occasionally, parents and guardians will order clothing as a surprise or gift for their grad. In that case, please email Ms. Culham after you submit your order so that the grad will not be contacted.



New Youth Art Programs

FALL 2021



For more Info and Register:
rotarycentreforthearts.com



ART AND ROBOTS

October 13 - November 3
every Wednesday
from 4:30 to 6:00pm
(Ages 8 - 12)



DRUM WORKSHOP

October 14 - November 25
every Thursday
from 4:00 to 5:00pm
(Ages 11 - 15)



AFTER SCHOOL ANIME

October 14 - November 25
every Thursday
from 4:30 to 6:00pm
(Ages 12 - 18)

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Start Your Future

Make an impact at one of Canada's
top engineering schools.

UBC Engineering Open House

Virtual: Saturday, November 6, 2021

On-Campus: Saturday, November 20, 2021

Sign up online to attend our
virtual or on-campus events at:
engineering.ubc.ca/openhouse

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Faculty of Applied Science
Engineering

ENGINEERING.UBC.CA





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x = independently organized TED event

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Take action, build international understanding, and make new friends around the world.

Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun.

What are the benefits?

Connect with leaders in your community and around the world to:

- Take action to make a difference in your school and community
- Discover new cultures and promote international understanding
- Become a leader in your school and community
- Have fun and make new friends from around the world

For more information please go to the MPR on Nov. 15th at lunch!

PARENTING YOUR ANXIOUS YOUTH



MEET FOR 1.5 HOURS WEEKLY WITH PARENTS/CAREGIVERS WHO ARE ON THE SAME JOURNEY

Who:

Parents/Caregivers of youth aged 12-16

5 Group Sessions:

Thursdays 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
October 7 - November 4

Where:

The Bridge Youth & Family Services
Online via Zoom

Admission:

No Cost

To register email jen.teigen@thebridgeservices.ca
or call 250-718-1412

We will talk about:

- ✓ What anxiety is and how it works.
- ✓ How to better understand your youth's experience.
- ✓ Skills to help your youth cope.
- ✓ Skills to communicate with your anxious youth.
- ✓ Skills to manage situations in which your youth's anxiety impacts daily life.



We transform lives and build community

8-2604 Enterprise Way | Kelowna, BC | V1X 7Y5
250-763-0456



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

[UBC/UBCO Admission Information Digital Guide](#)

Check it out!!

The Path to UBC



Additional Info

Indigenous Student Resources

- Indigenous Programs and Services (Okanagan)
- Indigenous Portal (Vancouver)
- Pathways for Indigenous students:
 - Aboriginal Access Studies
 - UBC-Langara Aboriginal Transfer Partnership

Plan Your Finances

- Loans, bursaries and financing
- Awards
 - Presidential Scholars Award
 - Centennial Scholars Award
 - Beyond Tomorrow Scholars Award
- **Awards for Indigenous students**
- First-year cost calculator

Program Highlights

- Bachelor of Nsyilxcn Language Fluency (Okanagan)
- Bachelor of Sustainability (Okanagan)
- UBC Sauder - University of Hong Kong Dual Degree (Vancouver)

Transfer Students

- Eligibility, requirements and evaluation process
- Transfer credit check
 - BC Transfer Guide
 - UBC Transfer Credit Search Tool

Contact Us!

recruitment.ok@ubc.ca
indigenous.recruitment@ubc.ca



you.ubc.ca/counsellors



Career Development Services

Online services now available!

AGES 16-30

Our **FREE SERVICES** are currently being offered for social distancing by **PHONE, EMAIL AND ZOOM!**

Paid programs, including Jumpstart will continue to be delivered virtually. For more information, visit www.ymcaokanagan.ca/careerservices

Our next JUMPSTART SESSION

is Nov 8th - Dec 17th!

Call or email to attend our next info-session!

Here's a few ways you can get in touch with us about our services offered:

- Call for detailed information. Our staff will be happy to tell you more about our great programs. Reach us at **250-861-5627**.
- Email us your questions. Book a meeting and get registered for services through connect@ymcaokanagan.ca

Building healthy communities



We're back and this time, we're talking with Red Seal Trades Instructors!

Every Tuesday this fall, OC Instructors will be providing an insider's look into skilled trades programs, shops, labs and kitchens. During these live-streamed virtual presentations, find out about admission requirements, employment outcomes and what it takes to be a successful student and tradesperson. Trades Talk Tuesdays are designed for people who are interested in learning more about entry-level trades training opportunities at the Kelowna, Vernon, Salmon Arm and Penticton campuses.

Registration for each virtual event is required. Sessions will be recorded and available after the event. Review presentation dates and to register, visit:

okanagan.bc.ca/trades

Questions?

250-862-5457 • trades@okanagan.bc.ca



OWLS This is your opportunity to sign up for a Career Mentorship Experience with a community member that will be here at KSS in Room 101E beside the Career Counselling Center. This opportunity will meet your Job Shadow requirement, once you attend and complete the Virtual Job Shadow Booklet.

Please add your name only to the sessions that you are interested in as space is limited.

To sign up go to KSS Website>Career-Life Programs>Spotlights, Conferences, and Career Fairs>Career Experiences Form OR come into the Career Office.

The following Experiences are now open for sign up.

*Tuesday, November 2nd at 9:30am for the Veterinary practices hosted by Chris Collingwood.

*Thursday, November 4th at 9:30am for TRU Software Engineering Career Talks. Learn from an Engineering Advisor and Accreditation Coordinator how students navigate their academic career at TRU in their BEng in Software Engineering Program. This experience CANNOT be used as a Job Shadow.

*Monday, November 8th at 12:30pm for Lawyer Joe Gordon who practices in Litigation, Family Law, Driving Prohibitions, DUI, Speeding Tickets, and Criminal Law.

*Monday, November 15th at 9:30am for Sandman Hotel & Suites Group hosted by Chantal Hoffer, Regional Sales Manager. This session will focus on career paths related to Business Executives, Sales, Restaurant and Conference opportunities.

*Wednesday, November 17th at 9:30am for career paths related to Optometry. Karen Jansen van Rensburg from IRIS optometry will be here to discuss this field and potential opportunities in medicine.

*Tuesday, November 23rd at 12:30pm for the Airline Industry and Pilots hosted by Dave Spevakow.

*Thursday, November 25th at 12:30pm with Chris Keer from Keer & Company Chartered Professional Accountant who provides Tax, Accounting and Advisory services to small businesses and individuals.



KSS'S CURRENT PRODUCTION 2021-22 SEASON

FALL PRODUCTION

TREASURE ISLAND



Kelowna Secondary School's NIGHT OWL THEATRE COMPANY is proud to present *Treasure Island* this holiday season. Adapted by Todd Espeland from Robert Louis Stevenson's thrilling pirate adventure, this play will give you an action packed evening of live theatre that will leave you whistling sea shanties for days! Our play begins in the mid 1700's, along the coast of England, and ends up with a harrowing escape from the deserted Skeleton Island. There are treasure maps, sword fights, outlandish characters, and of course, pirates. The author, Espeland, does an amazing job keeping the gritty feel of the time, while making it a story fit for all ages of the 21st Century. We hope you can join us!

Shows will run from **Wednesday, December 8th to Saturday, December 11th**, at the KSS Studio Theatre, 1079 Raymer Avenue. The shows will begin at 7 pm, with doors opening at 6:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased: at the door; in person from the box office up to one week before opening night; or reserved by email at nightowltheatre@gmail.com. Prices are **\$10** for students/seniors and **\$15** for adults. We will be donating \$1 of each ticket to the Foundry here in Kelowna.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

The Kelowna Art Gallery is looking for students to volunteer on Family Sundays. Contact the KSS Career Centre to apply!

SFU's Faculty of Applied Sciences is for those who see problems as opportunities and are ready to discover their potential for shaping a better tomorrow. Home to the Schools of Computing Science, Engineering Science, Mechatronic Systems Engineering, and Sustainable Energy Engineering, we are shaping the next generation of leaders in technology and engineering. We offer rewarding areas of study complemented by unique learning experiences that foster innovation and an entrepreneurial spirit.

The online sessions will be taking place on the following dates and times:

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date: Wednesday, November 3rd

Time: 8:00-9:00am

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Date: Wednesday, November 3rd

Time: 8:00-9:00am

Future Students Information Session: Computing Science and Software Systems

Date: Wednesday, November 10th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Learn about Applied Sciences

Date: Wednesday, November 17th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Engineering Sciences, Mechatronics Systems Engineering, Sustainable Energy Engineering

Date: Wednesday, November 24th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

Future Students Information Session: Transfer Presentation

Date: Wednesday, December 1st

Time: 4:30-5:30

Future Students Information Session: Computing Science and Software Systems

Date: Wednesday, December 8th

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

RSVP: <https://www.sfu.ca/fas/prospective-Students/events.html>



FREE WEBINARS: VISUAL EFFECTS and GAME ART & DESIGN AT VANARTS



VanArts (Vancouver Institute of Media Arts) is hosting free webinars on their 12-month diploma programs for Visual Effects and Game Art & Design. Featuring working graduates from our programs, industry guests, and current students, this will be a golden opportunity to ask questions about life in the film & video game industries. Join us streaming in real time on YouTube, and ask questions in the live chat.

DATES, TIMES, & REGISTRATION LINKS

VISUAL EFFECTS - Wednesday, Nov 10 @ 6pm: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/webinar-visual-effects-at-vanarts-tickets-203432350637>

GAME ART & DESIGN - Monday, Nov 15 @ 4pm: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/webinar-game-art-design-at-vanarts-tickets-198611812277>



Register for one, or both and the school will email you a link to the livestream before it starts.