



The Kwalikum Report

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings:

As hard to believe as it is, Semester One is now over. Students should be working on exam review and finishing off any last minute projects. It is very important that parents and students check the exam schedule to make sure there are no conflicts. You are also reminded that students will attend school during the week of January 25th to 29th to write exams only. When students are finished their exams, they are expected to leave the school or participate in a study session.



February is an extraordinarily busy month: The deadline for course changes for Semester 2 in February 5th. First semester report cards will be issued on February 10th in AG. Grade 12's will participate in their transition interviews on February 11th.



The course selection process for next year begins on February 18th. Please have discussions with your son or daughter about course selections and try to attend any information session that is provided. Counsellors are available to discuss next year's options as well. Student course selections impact what KSS is able to offer; thus, accurate and thought out selections are needed.

Many more activities are listed in our calendar. Please check dates and be informed. If you have any concerns, please contact me.

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DONATIONS



Our sincerest thanks are extended to the Management of the Crown and Anchor Road House Pub for their generous donation of a large cooked ham.

The ham will be used for the Learning Centre Lunch Program, as well, a portion will be allocated for use by PAC to prepare sandwiches for lunches in the spring.

Also, a very special thank you is extended to "Santa" for the QF gift card which will further support the Learning Centre Lunch Program in preparing ham soup.

GRAD PORTRAITS



Grad portraits are scheduled for February 15th to 19th, from 2:00 to 9:00 PM, at the Lifetouch Portrait Studio, 2701 Alberni Highway.

Students must schedule appointments for these sessions and the signup sheets, as well as Graduation Portrait package information are in the main office.

"Working together to realize our full potential"

Message Mailbox at KSS—Ext 400

The next PAC Meeting will be on Tuesday, February 5th, at 7:00 PM, in the Library. We still need parents to fill some positions. Join us and get involved in your son's or daughter's education.

PAC EXECUTIVE for 2009/2010

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	VICE CHAIR	
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Susan Imber	SECRETARY	
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	DPAC REP ALTERNATE	position open



FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN SCHOOL DISTRICT 69 IN SEPTEMBER, 2011

Full day Kindergarten will be implemented in School District 69 (Qualicum) in September of 2011, Eve Flynn, the Board Chair announced today.

In the Throne Speech last year, the provincial government had announced it would implement full-day kindergarten over two years with funding for fifty percent of 5 year old students in the province starting in September 2010, and all 5 year olds eligible in September 2011.

In the fall of 2009, the Ministry of Education asked districts to complete a survey of their capacity to offer full-day kindergarten and asked Boards to submit a plan of proposed implementation. In a report submitted to the Ministry of Education on November 30, 2009, the Qualicum Board of Education requested that full day Kindergarten be implemented simultaneously in all of its elementary schools.

The District has since been advised by the Ministry that in response to the Board's plan, full-day kindergarten will be implemented in School District 69 in September of 2011.

In the interim, the district will continue to plan and prepare for full-day kindergarten.

For ten years, the district has worked with the Building Learning Together Coalition of Community Partners to offer early learning opportunities for children and their families through a variety of programs such as the Words on Wheels bus, Mother Goose and Friends, Mother Goose Goes to School, and the Munchkinland Strong Start Partnership Centres. Through Building Learning Together, the district has also worked with a local network of pre-schools and child care centres, some of which are located in elementary schools. This collaborative work with our community partners to support early learning will continue.

Information will be provided to parents and the community about the implementation of full-day kindergarten which will begin in September 2011.

MUSICAL & DRAMATIC THEATRE CLASSES

7-13 years, Wednesdays, 4 - 5:30 PM at Dolphin Bay Studios, Wallbeach Rd. Acting and vocal training in an atmosphere of supportive fun with a performance of the musical adventure, "Treasure Island" on April 24th. Contact tstavroff@shaw.ca or 250-752-9867 for more info.



GRAD COFFEE HOUSE

The Dry Grad Committee is looking for parents and students who would like to volunteer at this year's Coffee House on February 13th. This is a fun event where students and parents can drop in for coffee and goodies. The event usually includes live music and student singers/entertainers. If you can help out at the door, serving or with preparations, call Karen at 250-752-1278.



DRY GRAD NEWS

DRY GRAD NEWSLETTER—see KSS Home Page on the Internet and click on NEWSLETTERS

All parents are asked to please donate OF points to the KSS Dry Grad.

Grad fees of \$215 are due by March 15th. Students are welcome to pay in installments. Payments should be made to the office.

Dolly's Hardware has kindly offered to sell the popular Karma Coffee. This is an excellent, organic, fair trade, medium roast coffee at a reasonable price. Part of the proceeds go to support grad events.

Parent/Student Grad Meetings in the KSS Library—February 16th, 7:00 PM.

Program Information Sessions 2009/10

Mon, Feb 1, 7:30 PM Bldg 180, Rm 134
Tue, Feb 2, 7:30 PM Bldg 250, Rm 125
Wed, Feb 3, 7:30 PM, Bldg 250, Rm 308
Wed, Feb 3, 7:30 PM, Bldg 180, Rm 134
Thu, Feb 4, 7:30 PM, Bldg 180, Rm 134
Mon, Feb 8, 7:30 PM, Bldg. 315, Rm 216

Mon, Feb 8, 7:30 PM, Bldg 180, Rm 134
Tue, Feb 9, 7:30 PM, Bldg 250, Rm 125
Wed, Feb 10, 7:30 PM, Bldg 180, Rm 134
Thu, Feb 11, 7:30 PM, Bldg. 356, Rm 111

Child & Youth Care: Diploma & Degree
Tourism, Recreation & Sport Management
Masters in Business Administration (MBA)
Early Childhood Education & Care
Power Sport & Marine Technician Program
BSc (Computing Science, Math, Physics,
Engineering)

Automotive Service Technician
Hospitality Management
Dental Hygiene
Education Programs



Enjoy
the journey.

For further info, visit www.viu.ca/advising or phone Parksville: 250.248.2096, Nanaimo: 250.740.6410

RDN Recreation and Parks Programs - Register online and view program details at www.rdn.bc.ca.

Winter Carnival on Ice—Come out for some fun Carnival games and win Carnival prizes! Saturday, January 23rd. Everyone Welcome. 2:00-3:30 PM— Regular Admission.

Teen Glow Skate—Special lights and glow bracelets make for a fun skating session for 13 years and older. Saturday, January 23rd, 6:45-7:45PM— Regular admission, includes a slice of pizza at the end of the session.

German Ju Jutsu 7-16 years—Come learn the basics of self defense in what is rapidly becoming known as the world's most complete martial art! A fun introduction just for kids! Vancouver Island German Ju Jutsu Systems, January 28th to March 4th, Thursdays, 4:00-5:00 PM, 13-16 years \$36/6

Latin Ballroom 13-16 years—Oceanside Middle School, January 20th to March 3rd, Wednesdays, 7:15-8:15 PM, \$49/7

Beginner Latin/Ballroom Dance 16 years+ - Arrowview Elementary School, January 21st to March 4th, Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 PM

Co-ed adult Basketball - Sunday nights at Oceanside Middle, ongoing registration.

Women's Sport Sampler 16 years+, Mondays, 6:30-8:30 PM at Arrowview Elementary School, January 11th to March 1st

For more information visit us at www.rdn.bc.ca or call 250-248-3252 or 250-752-5014.



COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Please check the District Website - www.sd69.bc.ca for updated Community News and Events.

Click on the second tab on the left to access current information on all upcoming activities.

School Calendar 2009-2010

JANUARY

25th-29th

25th-29th

Mon 25th

Tue. 26th

Wed. 27th

Thu. 28th

Fri. 29th

FEBRUARY

Mon. 1st

Tue. 2nd

Fri. 5th

Wed. 10th

Thurs. 11th

Mon. 15th

Tue. 16th

Thurs. 18th

Fri. 19th

Mon. 22nd

Thurs. 25th

MARCH

Mon. 1st-3rd

Tue. 2nd

Thurs. 4th

Fri. 5th

8th-19th

Mon 22nd

Tue. 23rd

APRIL

Thurs. 1st

Fri. 2nd

Mon. 5th

Tue. 6th

Wed. 7th

Thurs. 8th

School Based Exams

Provincial Exams

Geography 12, Biology 12

Comm 12, Physics 12, Prin. Math 12

English 12, Socials 11, Lit 12

English 10, BC First Nations 12, French 12,

Princ/App/Ess Math 10, App of Math 12, History 12

Science 10, English 12 First Peoples, Chemistry 12

Semester 2 Begins

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm

Course Change Deadline

Report Cards (issued in AG)

Grad Transitions Interviews

Grade 8 Orientation, 7:00 pm

(for Students & Parents)

Dry Grad Meeting, Library, 7:00 pm

Course Selection, Grade Assemblies

Jazz Extravaganza, 7:00 pm

District Pro-D Day. Students Do Not Attend.

Waterloo Math Contest, Grades 9-11

Course Selection Visits to Classes

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm

Interim Reports (issued in AG)

Course Selection Form Submission Deadline

Last day of classes before Spring Break

Spring Break

School Re-opens

Dry Grad Meeting, Library 7:00 pm

Final date for Passport letter to Principal

Good Friday

Easter Monday

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm

Premiere Performance, QF Civic Centre, 6:00 pm

Waterloo Math Contest, Grade 12

Scholarship Application Deadline

Report Cards (mailed to students)

Fri. 9th

Mon. 12th

Wed. 14th

Thurs. 15th

Fri. 16th

Fri. 30th

MAY

Tues. 4th

Thurs. 13th

Fri. 14th

Mon. 24th

Thurs. 27th

Mon. 31st

JUNE

Tue. 1st

Wed. 2nd

Thurs. 3rd

Sat. 5th

Mon. 7th

Wed. 9th

Fri. 18th

21st-23rd

21st-29th

Mon. 21st

Tue. 22nd

Wed. 23rd

Thurs. 24th

Fri. 25th

Mon. 28th

Tue. 29th

Mon. 28th

Tues. 29th

Wed. 30th

JULY

Mon. 5th-Fri 9th Report Cards available for pick-up, 8:00 am to

Waterloo Math Contest, Grades 9-11

Music Parents Exec Mtg. 7:00 pm

Music Parents General Mtg. 7:30 pm

Honours Society Luncheon

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences,

6-8:30 pm

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences,

9-12:00 noon. Non-instructional Day

District Pro-D Day. Students Do Not Attend.

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm

Grade 10 Visit to V.I.U.

BC High School Math Exam at V.I.U.

Victoria Day

Grad/Staff Banquet, QB Civic Centre, 5:30 pm

Music Program Presents "A Night At The Movies"

7:00 pm

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm. Music Program Presents

"A Jazz Affair", 7:00 pm

Honours Society Banquet

Deadline for Commencement Eligibility

Prom/Dry Grad

Music Parents Exec Mtg. 7:00 pm

Music Parents General Mtg. 7:30 pm

Music Program Social, Rotary Park

Last Day of Classes Prior to Exams

School Based Exams

Provincial Exams

Physics 12, App/Princ of Math 12

English 12, Socials 11

Comm 12, Chemistry 12, Lit 12, English 10,

History 12

English 12 First Peoples, French 12, Biology 12,

BC First Nations 12

Science 10

App/Ess/Prin Math 10, Geography 12

Japanese 12, Mandarin 12

Awards Ceremony, KSS Gym, 6:30 pm

Commencement Ceremony, KSS Gym, 3:30 pm

Administration Day



LITTER: Let's be responsible citizens and take care of the litter outside the school, in the parking lots and on the chip trail.