



The Kwalikum Report

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings:

What a fantastic September and 2009 school year startup. By far one of the best startups I have been involved with. Students have settled into classes, teachers are well into course curriculum, and many students and teachers are involved in clubs and sport teams.

For the second year in a row, we were notified that the Garfield Weston Awards for Excellence in Education recognized KSS for being one of the top thirty schools in the province in the category of "Determination in Academic Achievement – Secondary". This award ensures that schools and students succeed regardless of the considerable obstacles that they face. I am very proud of our school's success. Well done! Our school community has a lot to celebrate. Our school performs very well, thanks to efforts of teachers, students, and the parents.

One of the key components to student success is to have parental support and involvement. Parents need to know that Interim Reports will be issued on October 14th and your student will bring home one for each course on that day. Please review these reports with your students. If you have any concerns or questions, make an appointment for a parent/student/teacher conference. Conferences are October 21st, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, and October 22nd, 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Conferences can be booked through the office at 250-752-5651, ext 100. Parents, please remember to bring your child with you to the conference.

Jesse Witte, Principal

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INTERIM REPORTS

Interim Reports will be issued to students in AG on Wednesday, October 14th



PARENT/ STUDENT/ TEACHER CONFERENCES

Wednesday, October 21st,
6:00 to 8:30 PM

Thursday, October 22nd,
9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Please call 250-752-5651 to make an appointment with your son or daughter's teachers.

Appointments may be made starting Wednesday, October 14th.



PHOTO RETAKES
TAKE PLACE ON
MONDAY,
OCTOBER 19TH

"Working together to realize our full potential"

Message Mailbox at KSS—Ext 400

The next PAC Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 3rd, 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

Gaylan Chequer	PAC CHAIR	752-9305
	VICE CHAIR	
Shirley Schley	TREASURER	shirleyschley@hotmail.com
Susan Imber	SECRETARY	
Sharon Recalma	DPAC REPRESENTATIVE	uloos@shaw.ca
	DPAC REP ALTERNATE	position open



RDN Recreation and Parks Programs

Register online and view program details at www.rdn.bc.ca or call 250-248-3252 or 250-752-5014.

Women's Self-Defence—18 years and older—Thursday, October 8th—December 10th, 7:00—8:00 PM. Qualicum Beach Elementary School.



Line and Ballroom Dancing in Bowser Lighthouse Community Centre

Tuesday, October 6th - November 10th

Line Dancing: 6:40—7:25 PM, \$46.50/6

Ballroom Dancing: 7:30—9:30 PM, \$93/



NEW! RDN Recreation & Parks Enewsletter

Go to www.rdn.bc.ca to sign up and receive highlights that are available to you in your quest for a healthy lifestyle.

A TRAINING OPPORTUNITY WITH RESTORATIVE PRACTICES

Restorative Practices can provide you with cooperative interventions to use effectively with your children, your peers, and in your life as a whole. Is gaining cooperation with others a goal that seems elusive? Restorative Practices presents a model that will help you develop new skills and possibilities in your relationships with others.

The District Restorative Justice Committee would like to offer an introductory training in restorative processes and practices. During the last few years, the RJ Committee has provided four such training opportunities with over forty district teachers and educational assistants participating. Participants have found the training valuable and transformative both personally and professionally. This year we would like to offer this training to the parents and staff of our school community. The fall training session will consist of 3 two hour sessions along with suggested reading material, and is limited to 12 participants.

The concepts introduced draw on the work of Diane Chelsom-Gossem and locally developed materials from the restorative justice training in our district.

For more information or to register for the sessions please contact David Osborn or Darcy Dalgaard.

Dates: Monday, October 19th, 26th, and November 2nd. Time: 7:00 to 9:00 PM Location: Arrowview Elementary

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Discovery
Youth & Family Addiction Services
**Alcohol and Other
Drug
Education Series for
Parents of Teens**

@ SOS ~ Upstairs

**Mondays @ 6:00 to 7:30 PM
(Starting October 19th, 2009)**

Four Weeks:

- **Week 1 October 19th**
 -Youth Substance Use
- **Week 2 October 26th**
 -Adolescent Development
- **Week 3 November 2nd**
 -Protective Factors
- **Week 4 November 9th**
 - Communication

Refreshments Provided

**For more information or to sign-up call
Jason LeFevre at 250-927-2956**

**Drop-ins are
welcome!**





GRADE 12 POST SECONDARY INFORMATION EVENING

On Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30 PM, KSS will be hosting our annual Post Secondary Information Evening for grade 12 parents and students. This is an excellent opportunity for parents and students to receive information about moving on into post-secondary education. Grade 11 students and parents are also welcome, as this is important information if you are looking at future planning.

Information will be provided about graduation requirements, graduation transitions, scholarships & bursaries, and what it is like to be a university student. Representatives from Vancouver Island University will be in attendance with advisors from the academic programs, trades & technology programs and from the financial aid office. As well, we will have a current VIU student to speak about life as a university student.

- 6:30 PM- General Information Session (Multi-Purpose Room)
*Graduation Requirements
*Graduation Transitions
*Scholarships & Bursaries
*Guest Speaker: Fernando Polanco (VIU student)
- 7:20 PM- Session #1 (small group sessions with VIU advisors)
7:55 PM- Session #2 (small group sessions with VIU advisors)

SCHOLARSHIP PREPARATION 12



Grade 12 students have the option of registering for Scholarship Preparation 12 (4 credits) which assists those students planning to carry on into a post-secondary education and who are seeking out scholarship & bursary funding. In order to receive course credits, students must attend all sessions.

The course meets during Weeks 1 and 3 of each month during Semester 1. Students are required to attend one session during each weekly session. In Semester 2, the class will meet every week until the local scholarship & bursary application deadline of April 7th, 2010.

This is an excellent opportunity for any grade 12 student who is looking for assistance with choosing post-secondary programs and institutions. As well, students will be provided with all current information regarding national, provincial and local scholarship opportunities.

Other topics include information on career exploration, budgeting, time management, and study skills. This course assists students with developing a solid scholarship application package from writing a strong application letter, creating an appealing scholarship resume to seeking out valuable personal references.

The next sessions are during October 13th to 16th and are:

Tuesday	3:15 PM – 4:00 PM
Wednesday	11:20 AM – 12:05 PM
Thursday	11:20 AM – 12:05 PM



For further information, please contact Ms. S. Slaughter in the Counselling Office or at ext. 137.

School Calendar 2009-2010

OCTOBER

Thu. 8th
Mon. 12th
Tue. 13th

Wed. 14th
Wed. 21st
Thu. 22nd

Fri. 23rd
NOVEMBER

Tue. 3rd
Mon. 9th
Tue. 10th
Wed. 11th
Fri. 20th
Tue. 24th
Wed. 25th
Fri. 27th

DECEMBER

Tue. 1st
Tue. 8th
Wed. 9th

Fri. 18th
21st—Jan 1st
JANUARY

Mon. 4th
Tue. 5th
Wed. 6th
Wed. 13th
Thurs. 14th
25th-19th
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

Thurs. 18th
Fri. 19th
Mon. 22nd
Thurs. 25th
MARCH

Mon. 1st-3rd
Tue. 2nd
Thurs. 4th

Presentation of "Gauche The Bassist" KSS MPR
Thanksgiving Holiday
Grade 12 Post-Secondary Information Evening,
6:30 pm (for Students and Parents)
Interim Reports (issued in AG)
Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences, 6:00-8:00 pm
Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences, 9:00-12:00
Noon. Non-Instructional Day
Provincial Pro-D Day. Students Do Not Attend.

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm
Music Parents General Mtg. 7:30 pm
Remembrance Day Assembly, 10:30 am
Remembrance Day
Post Secondary Liaison Day
Grade 11/12 Post Secondary Visit to V.I.U.
Report Cards (mailed to students)
School Based Pro-D Day. Students Do Not Attend.

PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm
Music Program Christmas Choral Concert, 7:00 pm
Music Program Christmas Instrumental Concert,
7:00 pm
Last Day of Classes before Winter Vacation
Winter Vacation

School Re-Opens
PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm
Grad Polar Bear Swim, 3:30 pm
Honours Society Luncheon
Grad Transitions Package Due
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)
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

Fri. 5th
8th—19th
Mon 22nd
APRIL
Thurs. 1st
Fri. 2nd
Mon. 5th
Tue. 6th
Wed. 7th

Thurs. 8th
Fri. 9th
Mon. 12th

Wed. 14th
Thurs. 15th

Fri. 16th

Wed. 21st
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 3:00 pm

Last day of classes before Spring Break
Spring Break
School Re-opens

Final date for Passport letter to Principal
Good Friday
Easter Monday
PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm
Waterloo Math Contest, Grade 12
Scholarship Application Deadline
Report Cards (mailed to students)
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
Premiere Performance, QF Civic Centre, 6:00 pm
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