Kwalikum Kurrent for Guardians

November, 2023



How to connect with us:

School Website: https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/kss Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/kss.news/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100053217285616 MySchoolDay App

DATES TO REMEMBER:

November

- 1 Grade 9 Take Your Kids to Work Day
- 7 PAC meeting at 7pm
- 9 End of the 1st Quarter Remembrance Day assembly at 10am
- 10 Conferencing Adjustment No school
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 13 Statutory Holiday No school
- 14 Pro-D Day No School
- 15 Beginning of the 2nd Quarter Start of the food driving - ending November 30th



- 20 Learning Updates issued for 1st Quarter, these will be handed out in homeroom
- 23 Gym Riot

Daily Announcements

If you are ever curious about what is going on within the school, please check out our website where you can find the daily announcements. They will give you a good idea of the many opportunities and happenings here at KSS.

https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/KSS

School News

Kwalikum Observer-student publication

Kwalikum Observer -November 2023

Kwalikum Kurrent Parent/Guardian Newsletter

KSS October 2023 Parent/Guardian

Daily

VIEW ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements!

Monday, October 30, 2023

Reminders



There will be a spirit-wear sale this month, watch for a post on our social media accounts, an alert on the MySchoolDay app, or a notice in our daily announcements. Orders can be purchased at https://www.schoolcashonline.com

Learning updates (formerly known as report cards) for the 1st Quarter will be sent home on November 20th, if your student misses the homeroom pick-up on the 20th, they can come to the main office to grab them after that date.

The school will be closed from November 10th to the 14th inclusive, we will be back in session on November 15th which is also the first day of the 2nd Quarter.

Kwalikum Kondor News

Congratulations to the Kondor Fall athletic teams: Cross Country, Boys Soccer and Grade 8 girls, Jr. Girls and Sr. Girls Volleyball. All teams are wrapping up their league schedules. Best of luck in your District and Zone Championships.

Upcoming Winter athletics: Grade 8, Jr., and Sr. Basketball for Boys and Girls

Check out the Gym bulletin board and announcements in early November for try-out times and dates.

Leadership Events

Gym Riot has been rescheduled to Thursday, November 23rd.

Food drive begins November 15th and ends November 30th so please send some non-perishable food items to school with your student.

Music Events and Fundraisers

Purdy's Chocolates and Poinsettia fundraisers are underwaybuy some chocolate or plants from a music student and help them raise money to go on music trips this year! Purdy's orders must be in by Sunday, November 19th. Poinsettias orders must be in by Wednesday, November 9th.



Our Winter Music Concert will take place on Wednesday, December 6th at 7pm in the KSS MPR.

Counselling Centre Information

Any Gr. 11 or 12 students interested in going for a tour of Camosun and UVIC on Tuesday Nov. 7, there are a few spots available on the bus. Please come and get a permission form from the counselling office. Forms and money are due no later than Friday Nov. 3. It is first come first serve, so get your forms in quickly.

For information on scholarships visit the website below.

https://ksscounsellingcentre.weebly.com/scholarshipspsp-12.html

There are weekly updates and schedules for the Post Secondary Prep 12 class posted on the website as well.

Career Centre News

The KSS Career Center welcomes Mr. Gauvin, our new Career Coordinator who, with the help of Ms. Gibson, will work with students to explore potential career and educational paths for their future.

The Career Center offers the following services for the students of the school:

- Work Experience Courses (WEX12A&B) If your child is working, this is a great opportunity to earn up to 8 grade 12 credits towards graduation. They can start enrolling in this as early as Grade 9.
- Food Safe Certification (Costs \$20) A great opportunity if your child is interested in a job where they are handling and preparing food.
- Dual Credit Academic Complete some university and college courses during the grade 12 year, which will go towards certifications, diplomas, and degrees.
- Dual Credit Train in Trades Students can start their training towards a chosen trade during their grade 12 year.
- Dual Credit Trades Samplers This program is for Grade 10 and those thinking about the trades, but not sure which path interests them the most.
- Youth Work in Trades Setting up youth apprenticeships for students working in a trade related field.
- A Job Posting Board which lists current job opportunities for students seeking employment in the Oceanside area.

If students are interested in adopting a Red Kettle with the Salvation Army and volunteering their time to collect money for those less fortunate in the community, they can come talk to Mr. Gauvin in the Career Center. Students will volunteer in pairs, with an adult (parent/guardian) for two hour blocks of time. This can be used as part of their volunteer time towards the graduation requirements. The Salvation

Army is flexible in scheduling and the campaign will run from November 18th to December 23rd (excluding Sundays).

If you have any questions or inquiries, please connect with Mr. Gauvin in the Career Center (Room 151) or by email at cgauvin@sd69.bc.ca

SD69 COMMUNITY PAGE https://www.sd69.bc.ca/Community69



QUALICUM SCHOOL DISTRICT

Inclement Weather Procedures Reminder for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers:

During this time of season, inclement weather may affect the safety and welfare of students. When snowfall or power outages have the potential to cause school closures, classes to be postponed, or School District bus services to be disrupted, alerts will be posted as quickly as possible on the district website (as power permits). The information will also be forwarded to local media outlets and conveyed through School Messenger*.

Before a decision is made about whether buses will be running, or schools will remain open or be closed, the Superintendent consults with the Director of Operations. These administrators take the current and forecasted weather into consideration, and are in communication with Highways Maintenance, our own crews, and other community members who can verify local conditions. District staff will be considering current road and weather conditions, and also whether schools have power. Freezing weather overnight may mean that conditions are hazardous for travel.

It is our intention to make decisions on whether or not buses or schools are operating by 6:15 am, and to have these decisions communicated to local media outlets by 6:30 am.

Parents/Guardians should continue to monitor their local media for any weather-related updates and the potential impact on school district operations (i.e. bus operations or school closures).

Parents/Guardians are also reminded to keep battery-operated radios handy and land line telephones plugged in to prepare for power outages. Since weather conditions can be very different in the various communities that make up our school district, we recommend parents/guardians exercise their judgement based on their own local circumstance when making the decision whether to send or drive their children to school. If a decision is made by the District to keep schools open but parents/guardians are concerned about safety issues, they are welcome to keep their children home.

*SchoolMessenger - Opt In/Out/Set Preferences Sign up for SchoolMessenger at https://go.schoolmessenger.ca/#/home or download one of the following apps on your phone: Apple App Store: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/schoolmessenger-infocenter/id978894818 Google Play: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.schoolmessenger.recipient

See also Administrative Procedure: Emergency Closure of Schools (Student) under Board Policy 708: Emergency Preparedness and Closures

https://www.sd69.bc.ca/Board/Policies-and-Bylaws/Bylaws-Policies-and-Administrative-Procedures/ 700%20Student%20Services/708%20Emergency%20Preparedness%20and%20Closures.pdf



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The Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) is considering the disposition of property located at 2350 Alberni Highway, Coombs, British Columbia (known as the former French Creek Elementary School). Specific details of the property are Lot A, District Lot 143, Nanoose District, Plan 15661.

Prior to making any final decision with respect to the disposition of this property, the Board is seeking community input as to the best use for this land and invites written comments from the public **on or before November 30, 2023.**

Comments: Written comments can be mailed to: ATT: Ron Amos, Secretary Treasurer School District 69 (Qualicum) PO Box 430 Parksville, BC V9P 2G5

Or

Emailed to: ramos@sd69.bc.ca

Or

Dropped off to the School Board Office, 2nd floor; 100 Jensen Avenue E.; Parksville, BC

SOS Child & Family Programs

Supporting District 69 families



TIC TAC 0-5 years, Pre-Kindergarten

A friendly environment for parents and caregivers to take a break and recharge while children play and socialize. **Parksville** Tues/Thurs, 9-11 am **Qualicum** Mon/Wed, 9-11 am

Intergenerational Family Night Families and Seniors

Quality family time and community connection through activities and a home-cooked dinner. We welcome seniors to join us and interact with families.

Parksville Tuesdays, 4:30-7 pm Qualicum Wednesdays, 4:30-7 pm

Kids Movement: Play, Express & Grow Grades 4-6

Build self-esteem, healthy relationships and new connections. SOS bus pickup available for SD69 schools. **Parksville** Thursdays, 3-5:30 pm **Qualicum** Mondays, 3-5:30 pm.

Tutoring Program Grades 6-12

One-on-one tutoring services for students who need extra support in Math and English. **Parksville** Mon-Thurs, 3:30-4:30 or 4:30-5:30 pm (September - June).

Recreation Assistance for Children & Youth

Helps low-income families with costs to register local children and youth in recreation activities. **Call 250.248.2093 ext. 241 for an appointment.**

SOS programs rely on SOS Thrift Shop support, volunteers and financial donations from the community.

SOS Community Services Centres

Child and Family Programs contacts: Parksville 245 Hirst Ave. W. | 250.248.2093 ext. 249 Cell: 250.228.4066 | cyfcoordinator@sosd69.com Qualicum 744 Primrose St. | 250.752.2040 ext. 201 Cell: 250.248.0997 | childandfamily@sosd69.com www.sosd69.com

