

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Summer holidays are one week away! What an amazing year of learning at KBES! As always, June has been an exciting and busy month! Our Young Entrepreneurs Show was yet another hit with students and staff! This week ends with all of our classes having a Eureka Science Workshop in their class. Next week our senior students will be hosting Fun Day for us!

Thanks so much to all of our families who were able to take time out of their busy schedules to attend our Appreciation Tea last Thursday. We truly appreciate your partnership and support throughout the year. KBES wouldn't be what it is without your cheerful smile and dedication to students, families and staff. A very special thank you to Angela Knaus for all of her hardwork and dedication to KBES over the past several years.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. Our PAC is an awesome group of dedicated parents who work tirelessly for KBES! The Family BBQ earlier this month was yet another huge success! As a staff we appreciate our PACs support in purchasing resources, supporting field trips, and of course bringing in Eureka Science for classroom workshops.

On behalf of the staff I want to thank all of our parents for allowing us the privilege of working with your children for the past 38 weeks. It has been a joy and pleasure to watch their growth and many successes. Our wish for you and your family is that your summer is filled with many fun times with both family and friends.

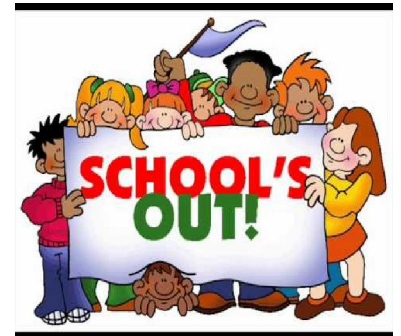
Sincerely,

Mrs. Wood, Principal



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Please be advised that **students are dismissed on Thursday, June 29th @ 12:00 noon.** We will begin our year-end assembly at 10:30 in the gym. This will be our final celebration for this school year.



While students are dismissed on June 29th, know that teachers are in school until the end of Friday, June 30th. If you have any concerns with your child's report card, please do not hesitate to call.

The school office will be open until Friday, July 7th. It will then close and reopen on Monday, August 28th @ 8:00 am.

GOOD-BYE, HELLO

At the end of June we say goodbye to students as they move on to Brock Middle, families as they move away from Kay Bingham Elementary School catchment and staff as they move to new assignments and schools. Know that you will be missed and we wish you all the best.

Thank you and all the best to the following staff members who are moving on to other schools in the fall. Teachers: Mrs. Gurski, Mrs. Cattermole, Mrs. Bone & Mrs. McKay. Support Staff: Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Killam & Mrs. Jules.

Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Brennan & Mrs. Carr to KBES as teachers. We also want to welcome Ms. Wood, CEA and Ms. Leonard, AEW.

KAY BINGHAM NEWSLETTER

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Even though we were unable to host a skip off this year, we had 33 students who actively participated in fundraising, resulting in \$2560.85 being raised. WOW! What an amazing showing for these 33 students!



OFF-SET THE SUMMER SLIDE

Reading, like any skill, requires ongoing practice. When there is a lapse in practice, developed skills begin to decline. As much as a 20% decline in skills can occur over the summer months for children who don't read.



While those children who do read over the summer months, they will either maintain or most likely improve their reading skills. Children who return to school with strong reading skills often feel confident returning to school and entering a new grade. Please help off-set the summer slide in reading by making reading a part of your daily routines.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

There are a number of Summer Programs and Camps occurring throughout the city and region again this summer. **The Bright Red Book Bus will once again be visiting KBES every Monday from 10:00 to noon.** The Bright Red Book Bus is an opportunity for you and your children to obtain some free books to read, as well as,



participate in some fun, free activities. The BRBB will start visiting on July 4th and continue through to August 25th.

PAC NEWS

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Year End BBQ/Raffle. What a great turn out and tons of fun!!! Congratulations to the families who won the raffle baskets.

Our donations from local businesses this year were: Wendy's, Canadian Tire, Senor Froggy's, Aberdeen Mall, McDonalds, DQ, Wholesale Sports, Panago & Fun Factor. Thank you! The Daybreak Rotary came through once again; thank you!



This school year is coming to an end but we are already planning for September. There is a wonderful program called One to One Reading. This is where volunteers spend 90 minutes, once a week reading with children. If you have any interest in finding out more, please contact the PAC. We currently do not have enough volunteers to run this program at our school in September. Please ask around to parents and grandparents for help. Let's keep this program going.

Have a great summer.

Looking forward to seeing all KBES families in September.

Kay Bingham PAC

Kay Bingham Elementary  S.!

Fun Summer Reading!

Parents and children might wish to try these ways to make reading fun:

BC Summer Reading Club



Children are encouraged to join the BC Summer Reading Club at their local **TNRD Library**. This year's theme is **Walk on the Wild Side!** It runs July 3 to August 26. Children try to read every day and record their reading in a booklet. When they visit the library, they can receive stickers for books read and enter draws for prizes.

Registration at your public library opens June 12.

3 to August 26.



Bright Red Book Bus

Visit Facebook to learn more and see the schedule:

<https://www.facebook.com/brightredbookbus/>

Online books

Online books work well when children are on the move, and they can be engaging. Here are some resources that share books for free:

Epic! is an eBook library for children up to 12, and it works on most devices. There are a lot of interesting books and some have audio. It offers free access for one month (usually \$4.99). Register here: <https://www.getepic.com/>

Unite for Literacy is an eBook library for early readers. These books are about real-life experiences and have photograph illustrations. All books are in English, but they can be listened to in many other languages: <http://www.uniteforliteracy.com/>

Wonderopolis has short, interesting articles about all sorts of scientific wonders older children may have. Each wonder has a brief, engaging video to introduce the topic: <http://wonderopolis.org/>

Happy Summer Reading!





Summer 2017 at the BIG Little Science Centre

Unless otherwise stated, programs run daily and are:

At 11:00am and again at 1:30pm

Included with standard entry fee

Free for members

Located at the BIG Little Science Centre

The BIG Little Science Centre is open year round: Tuesday to Saturday.

The Exploration Room is open 10am to 4pm, with over 140 different exhibits to enjoy.

Full activity information is on the website calendar.

Tuesday June 27 to Friday 30

LEGO and other construction materials out all day for your building pleasure.

Saturday July 1: The main centre is closed.

Please join the BIG Little Science Centre Travel Booth in Riverside Park from 9:00 am to 6:00pm

Tuesday July 4 to Saturday July 8

LEGO and other construction materials out all day for your building pleasure.

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Static Electricity Show

Tuesday July 11 to Saturday July 15

Magnetism Show

Tuesday July 18 to Saturday July 22

Light and Colour Show

Tuesday July 25 to Saturday July 29

Astronomy Show and Craft

Tuesday August 1 to Saturday August 5

Sticky Water Lab

Tuesday August 8 to Saturday August 12

Air Pressure Show

Tuesday August 15 to Saturday August 19

Forces and Motion Show

Tuesday August 20 to Saturday August 26

Static Electricity Show

Tuesday August 29 to Saturday September 2

Build and Test a Boat Lab

For more information please contact Susan Hammond: susan@blscs.org, or call 250-554-2572.

The BIG Little Science Centre reserves the right to substitute alternate programming if needed.

Location: 655 Holt Street, Kamloops, BC, V2B 5G2

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