

Dear Parents/Guardians:

October has been another very good month of learning for students and staff at KBES! Our Professional Learning Day last week was an opportunity for staff to attend a workshop of their choosing within the district or province! Our next Professional Learning Day will be in December. KBES staff will learn about Daily 5 and Café structures that promotes quality independent literacy activities, while the teacher is able to work with small groups of students.

I want to thank all of our parents who were able to make it out for parent teacher interviews and/or open houses last week. Home and school partnerships are so very important and I want to thank you for the opportunity to work with you for your child's benefit.

Our weather continues to fluctuate, but we all know that it is going to change for the colder. Please ensure your child comes to school each day dressed for the weather. With the exception of very wet and/or very cold days, children are expected to be outside for recess and lunch breaks playing with their friends. Winter boot racks will be coming out with the first sign of snow. Please ensure your child's boots are clearly labelled with their name. You will also want to ensure that your child has a pair of indoor footwear so their feet can always be dressed while at school.

We will be holding our annual Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 10 @ 10:30. Several of our classes art work will be on display in the gym. As well, a variety of classes will be performing during our assembly.

We are so pleased to have 3 volleyball teams this year. Special thanks to Mrs. Schultz and Mrs. Brennan for coaching our 2 girls' teams and to Mr. Johnson for coaching our boys' team. We also have our 2 After School Programs up and running for our Intermediate Students. These programs are currently full and we anticipate being able to offer more in the New Year.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the office if you have any concerns regarding your child/rens academic, social and/or emotional growth.

Regards,



Mrs. Wood, Principal

PRECIOUS AND VALUABLE ITEMS

All students are encouraged to refrain from bringing their precious and valuable items to school. The swapping/trading of toys, cards, etc are not permitted. Parents, please ensure you talk to your child to ensure they are not trading items or lending items to classmates while at school. The school will not be responsible for items that go missing at school. Students are always encouraged to have a lock on their locker and bicycles.

SCHOOL HOURS – ARRIVING EARLY

We continue to have a number of students arriving to school significantly early. Our front doors open at 8:00 am with the arrival of our secretary. Students are invited to enter the school at 8:20 am. We do not provide before school and after school supervision, hence students should not be arriving much before the 8:20 bell. Arrangements for being picked up at the end of the day should also occur shortly after the 2:30 dismissal. Please also make plans in advance of after school pickup arrangements.

FSAs

Our Grade 4 students have participated in the writing of the provincial Foundation Skills Assessments. These assessments in Reading, Writing and Numeracy will be marked within the district. Parents will receive their child's results prior to our Winter Break.



HALLOWEEN

Halloween is just around the corner! At KBES we will have our Monster Mash Parade on Tuesday, October 31 starting around 8:40 am. Primary students are invited to wear their Halloween

costumes and participate in our parade. We would ask that all school costumes are school appropriate and all accessories that are a weapon in nature (swords, knives, etc) not be brought to school. Stay tuned to your classroom's newsletter and child's agenda for any additional classroom activities on October 31st! Parents please be aware of the amount of candy your child/ren are bringing to school each day.

KAY BINGHAM STAFF

As you may know, Mrs. Sears went off early on Maternity Leave and gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. Please join us in welcoming Mrs. Cowan to KBES. Mrs. Cowan will be teaching in one of our Grade 1 classes until the end of the school year.

SCHOOL FEES

Parents please be mindful that YPC and School Fees are due in the office. If you would like to be on a

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payment plan, please contact Mrs. Bonderud in the office. Making small payments on a monthly basis is an acceptable means of ensuring school fees are paid and up-to-date.

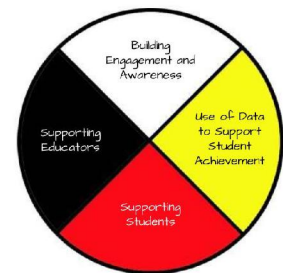
IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please continue to keep your child's information at the office up-to-date. This information includes: address, phone #, pick-up, court orders/legal alerts, medical information, contact info (work, cell, home #, email, etc). This information is all important to have in the event your child gets ill or there is an important school/community event occurring.



HEAD LICE

Head lice is a nuisance. We ask that all KBES families do their part in helping to manage head lice. Please continue to do weekly head checks and any subsequent treatment that is required. If you could also notify the school if you've found head lice and/or nits on your child, then we will in turn notify other families, so that they too can be diligent and do their part. Please know that student and family confidentiality will always be maintained. We do not do head checks at school, hence the responsibility is with each individual KBES family. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



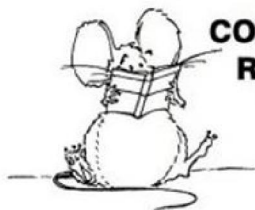
ABORIGINAL ED

We are so very fortunate to have Mrs. Leonard and Mrs. Palluck as Aboriginal Education Workers at KBES. In addition to hosting Homework Club (M, W, F) & Crafts (T, Th) during lunch hours, they support students in their classrooms, connect with families, and offer

Aboriginal Teachings to complement units of study in our classes. During our Early Closure Day, an Open House was held for our Aboriginal Families. All of our beautiful classroom dreamcatchers were made by Mrs. Palluck last year. This year we are hoping to engage students and staff in the teachings and creation of a button blanket for KBES.

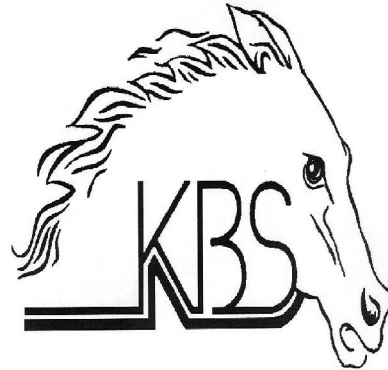
COME READ WITH ME

Parents of our Grade 1 students are welcome to come and read with their children on Friday, November 24 at school. Literacy in Kamloops (LinK) has partnered with School District No 73 to offer a 2 hour session for



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parents and caregivers of grade 1 students. Parents go home with many new strategies and a bag of materials including a new book, sight word cards, word games, foam dice, a bookmark, and many more strategies and tools. An invitation will be sent home with our Grade 1 students next week!



KBES SPIRIT WEAR ORDERS

Mrs. Hawkins will be sending home with students an order form for KBES Spirit Wear on Tuesday, November 7th. All orders will need to be returned and

placed in the office by November 28th!

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

Our next school spirit day is scheduled for November 17. Our theme is Proud to be Canadian! Our POD 1 students/staff choose our date and theme for this upcoming month!



LOONIES/TWONIES FOR CANCER RESEARCH

KBES students raised just under \$400 for Cancer Research! Thanks so much to everyone who donated and participated in this event.

SAFE ARRIVAL

Parents please continue to use our district's safe arrival system and **report your child/ren's absence before 8:30 am each day**. You can do this by:

- Calling toll-free number 1-844-350-2647
- Internet <http://ktsd.schoolconnects.com/>
- Download app (smartphone, iOS and Android versions are available for free)

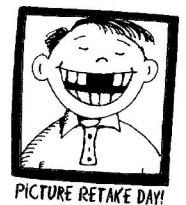


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**Don't forget to wait for a confirmation # to ensure your child's absence has been recorded.

PHOTO RETAKES

Student photos were sent home earlier this week. You will note that orders are due by October 27th. Retakes are scheduled for the afternoon of November 16th.





COMMUNITY SERVICES/PROGRAMS

A variety of programs are offered throughout Kamloops for students and families. Here are a few:

Let's Vent Group – This is an opportunity to discuss various subjects that may contribute to you and/or loved ones substance misuse or recovery process. This is a 4 week program scheduled for November 14, 23, 30 & Dec 7th from 1:15 – 2:30pm. Call White Buffalo to Register 250-554-1176.

Circle of Security – This is a relationship based early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children. Various community agencies have groups throughout the year for families. Contact CTRC & CYMH at 250-376-4771; ICS at 250-554-3134 or Secwepemc Child & Family Services at 250-314-9669.

Incredible Years – This is a parenting program to promote children's social competence and reduce behaviour problems with an emphasis on parenting skills. Contact the Boys and Girls Club at 250-554-5437 Ext 206.

KAFS Community Drumming – Cultural balance and understanding of the FN's tradition and values based drumming. Contact the Kamloops Aboriginal Friendship Society at 250-376-1296

Lift the Lip Dental Program – This program is for young children from 12 – 47 months in age and is offered by the Interior Health Dental Program. Contact the Kamloops YMCA – John Tod Y – Early Years Center at 250-851-7300.

PAC NEWS

KBES is very fortunate to have a very engaged and active parent group who are continuously supporting learning initiatives at KBES. As a school we want to thank our PAC for providing \$3000 this past month so that we could purchase



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new books for our youngest learners to read! As a school we are so thankful for all of their good work and support of students, staff and learning initiatives.

Some upcoming fundraising activities and events are:

Craft Fair – November 4 from 10:00 – 2:00

This is our second Craft Fair hosted by our PAC in the School Gym. Thirty crafter/vendor tables have been booked. Please come out and support our PAC and do some early Christmas Shopping!



Cookie Dough Sale – October 23 – November 14
PAC will be selling cookie dough. Volunteers are needed to help out with this fundraiser. If you are able to help, please contact one of our PAC Members on the KBES PAC Facebook page.

Pizza Day – Friday, November 24

Order forms will be sent home later in November.

HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP – December 4 – 8

The PAC will once again be hosting their annual Holiday Gift Shop. This highly successful event will allow students to preview gifts and then purchase Christmas gifts for family members for 3 days. This annual event is very much loved by students, however it is labour intensive. If you can, please lend a helping hand!

A special thank you to all of our families for supporting the many initiatives of our PAC!


WANTED

We are currently looking for a Parent Volunteer who would be interested in being the DPAC representative for our school. Once a month you would go to the DPAC meeting at the Henry Grube Education Center. You would then provide an update of the discussion at the regular monthly KBES PAC meetings.

KBES parents and guardians are all invited to our monthly PAC meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 3 at 8:45 am. You may stay in touch with all PAC events and meetings by joining the Facebook page @ Kay Bingham PAC.

**OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE
POSTED ON THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 30TH.**



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30 After School Sports Program	31 After School Art Program	1	2 Fine Arts Performance at 1:15	3 First YPC concert at Sagebrush Theatre PAC Meeting @ 8:45 am
6 After School Sports Program	7 After School Art Program	8	9	10 Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:30
13 No School 	14 After School Art Program	15	16 Photo Retakes Today	17 School Spirit Day Theme: Proud to be Canadian
20 After School Sports Program	21 After School Art Program	22	23	24 Come Read With Me @ 8:20 – 10:00 am PAC Pizza Lunch
27	28	29	30 Newsletter Posted to Website	Dec 1