

KAMLOOPS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS



(K-12)
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SEPTEMBER 2017

2017-2018 School Calendar (tentative)

Sept 22, 2017	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
Oct 09, 2017	Thanksgiving – NO SCHOOL
Oct 12, 2017	Early Dismissal – Elem 12:00 pm /Sec – 12:30 pm
Oct 20, 2017	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
Nov 13, 2017	REMEMBRANCE DAY – NO SCHOOL
Nov 24, 2017	Report Cards – Secondary only
Dec 04, 2017	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
Dec 23, 2017 to Jan 07, 2018	WINTER VACATION – NO SCHOOL
Jan 08, 2018	School Re-opens
Jan 22 to 26, 2018	Numeracy Assessment ** New
Jan 25, 2018	English 12 Provincial Exam
Feb 12, 2018	FAMILY DAY – NO SCHOOL
Feb 15, 2018	Early Dismissal – Secondary only @ 12:30 pm
Feb 16, 2018	Report Cards – Secondary only
Feb 22, 2018	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
Feb 23, 2018	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
Mar 16, 2017	Report Cards – Elementary only
Mar 17 to Mar 25, 2018	SPRING VACATION – NO SCHOOL
Mar 30, 2018	GOOD FRIDAY – NO SCHOOL
Apr 02, 2018	EASTER MONDAY – NO SCHOOL
Apr 23, 2018	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
May 04, 2018	Report Cards – Secondary only
May 18, 2018	PRO-D DAY – NO SCHOOL
May 21, 2017	VICTORIA DAY – NO SCHOOL
Jun 22, 2018	Last day of Secondary classes (Full Day)
Jun 25 to 28, 2018	Numeracy Assessments ** New
Jun 28, 2018	Report Cards – Elementary and Secondary
Jun 28, 2018	Last Day of Classes – dismissal @ noon
Jun 29, 2018	Administrative Day

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear KSA Parents, Families and Friends:

It is hard to believe that the first 2 weeks of school have zoomed by already! Time passes quickly when you are having FUN! WE are busy establishing classroom routines, learning behaviour expectations and meeting new friends and new class mates. It is wonderful to have the school filled with students who are laughing, playing and learning together!

I hope you will join me in welcoming the new KSA staff members. We have a couple of new support team members and a number of new teachers too. As you know, class configuration has may it possible for many teachers across the province to join schools in full time positions and newly created positions which means there has been tremendous movement of teachers from one school to another. Although it is always difficult to say goodbye to the teachers we know and love it is also exciting to welcome new teachers to KSA!

As an educational team, we look forward to working with our families and partnering with you in your child's social/emotional, physical and academic growth. If at any time you have questions or concerns in relation to your child's progress or the expected learning outcomes they are to achieve, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

We continue to celebrate all of the positive contributions your children are making to our school! It is VERY easy to see our S.T.A.R. students *sparkle* by demonstrating: **S**afety **T**eamwork **A**ccountability and **R**espect. Next week we will start awarding SUPER STARS to students who demonstrate these positive traits. There are prizes drawn each Friday to celebrate the KSA S.T.A.R. results.

I'd like to express my appreciation for the enthusiasm, help and support I have received from the staff, students, parents and community as our second year unfolds! KSA is a very special place to be each day!

Sincerely,

Sydney Griffith, Principal



ELEMENTARY NEWS

NEW STUDENT ATTENDANCE PHONE & EMAIL ADDRESS

The provincial curriculum is taught through an integrated fine arts program. Consistent attendance is a vital component of the program and is absolutely necessary for your child to succeed. Significant student absences and lateness will impact your child's ability to do well and achieve success in the educational program we offer. However, on occasion, it is necessary for your child to be away due to illness or other factors.

If you know when your child is going to be away, please contact the Safe Arrival Program via email at ktsd.schoolconnects.com or call the new Safe Arrival Phone Number @ 1-844-350-2647 BEFORE 8:30 am and follow the prompts. If you call after 8:30 am you will have to wait for the system to contact you and correct your child's absence/late information. If you are picking up your child for an appointment, you need to come into the office to sign your child out at the office.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - ELEMENTARY

School supplies (pencils, notebooks, etc.) are available at a minimal cost through the school. Please watch for a School Supply costs sheet come home during the first week of September 2017. This cost sheet will also include the price for our ArtStart presentations throughout the year.



Please pay by September 30, 201. Thank you.

COMMUNICATION

If you have any questions or concerns that may come up throughout the year, there are a number of ways to get in touch:

- Just give a call to the school and we will try and redirect you as best we can.
- Send an email. Most of the email addresses are the first initial and last name of the teacher with the @sd73.bc.ca to follow. (example: John Smith: jsmith@sd73.bc.ca) . If for some reason you do not reach the teacher, please contact the office and we will give you the email. There are a few exceptions but staff emails are also listed on our school website.
- Check out the website!! It is located at: www.ksa.sd73.bc.ca.



STUDENT DROP-OFF IS ON FRASER STREET

Student drop-off is on Fraser Street. **9th Avenue is for School Bus, Handicapped Bus and Daycare Bus only!!**

Unfortunately, as with most schools, there is very limited parking available on the streets immediately adjacent to the school. We certainly encourage carpooling and/or walking as a friendly group – to avoid the most congested areas at morning and afternoon times. The rear parking lot is for **KSA STAFF ONLY**.

Thank you.

TRAFFIC AND STAFF PARKING LOTS ARE “OUT OF BOUNDS”

Thank you for not driving into our staff parking area to pick up or drop off students. We have had a few stressful moments when children have gone unnoticed as cars have attempted to back-up in the STAFF Parking Lot.

Of course, we have accommodated a special request when mobility issues or handicapped parking are required. **Take care that your child does not run across any road near our school.** We are teaching students to **USE the CROSSWALKS** in an urban setting. Violation of these rules, even for a moment, increase road safety hazards for our students and drivers.

STAFFING AT KSA

ADMINISTRATION

GRIFFITH, Sydney Principal

HALL, Greg Vice Principal

REGIER, Sherrie Secretary in Charge

ULLSTROM, Mary Steno 1/Counselling

ELEMENTARY TEACHING STAFF	GRADE LEVEL	SECONDARY TEACHING STAFF	SUBJECT
ALPAUGH, Jennica	0607	BURN, Dawn	Art
BALDWIN, Nicole	LART	EMERY, Gillian	
BINNS, Jenny	02	FISHER, Danielle	Science
BOUWMEESTER, Joy (PT)	03	GENDRON, Paulette	French
CLARK, Pamela	07	KUBIN, Lia	LART
COATES, Jennifer	01/02	MACFARLANE, Kirk	Media Arts
COVINGTON, Claire	05	MCMILLAN, Ellen	Music & Counselling
MACLAUGHLIN, Caitlin (Mat Leave)	KF	MELAN, Katrina	Home Ec/Drama
MCBRIDE, Devon	Gym, French, Drama	PENNEY, Nichelle	Math
MOROZ, Emma	05/06	STELLA, Steve	Science
NORMAN, Charmaine	KF	WEISGERBER, Stephen	Music, Gym
PENDERGAST, Jennifer (Mat Leave)	05/06	WILLIAMS, Lindsay	Dance
PIRODDI, Sara	04		
REMPEL, Jasmine	KF		
RICHMOND, Michelle (Mat Leave)	02		
SADIK, Karim	03		
STAGINNUS, Dennis	Librarian		
WOODS, Carmelina	01		
YANKO, Jessica	03/04		
ZAHIR, Kate	Music		
ZETTERGREEN, Brittany	05/06		

CUPE STAFF	CUPE STAFF
BARGER, Karen	HASAN, Sommiya
BEHRMANN, Pam	JACKSON, Amy
BREGOLISS, Lori	MONTGOMERY, Brandi
BRUNO, Dino	PADDA, Manjit
BURKHOLDER, Melanie	SCHULZ, Carman-Ann
DEACON, Elizabeth	WALTON, David
FAUTEUX, Arlene	YAMELST, Jacqueline
GRIGG, Darren	

BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2017-2018

Secondary Bell Schedule		Bells scheduled to ring outside only
8:20	Warning	8:20 (warning to come in)
8:42 – 10:00	Period 1 (78 minutes)	
10:00 – 10:15	Long Break (15 minutes)	10:15 end of long break
10:15 – 11:50	Period 2 (95 minutes)	
11:50 – 12:41	Lunch (51 minutes)	12:36 warning bell
12:41 – 1:42	Period 3 (61 minutes)	
1:42 – 1:45	Transition Period (3 minutes)	3 minute transition
1:45 – 3:03	Period 4 (78 minutes)	

Elementary Bell Schedule		Bells scheduled to ring outside only
8:20	Warning	8:20 (warning to come in)
8:30–9:15	Period 1 (45 minutes)	
9:15–10:00	Period 2 (45 minutes)	
10:00–10:15	Recess (15 minutes)	10:15 (end of recess)
10:15–11:05	Period 3 (50 minutes)	
11:05–11:55	Period 4 (50 minutes)	
11:55–12:55	Lunch (60 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11:55-12:15 inside • 12:15-12:48 outside • 12:48 warning 	12:15 (students go outside; bell inside) 12:48 (warning to come in)
12:55 - 1:45	Period 5 (50 minutes)	
1:45 - 2:30	Period 6 (45 minutes)	2:30 dismissal

Wednesday Secondary Bell Schedule		Bells scheduled to ring outside only
8:20	Warning	8:20 (warning to come in)
8:42 – 9:44	Period 1 (62 minutes)	
9:44 – 9:59	Long Break (15 minutes)	9:59 (end of long break)
9:59 – 11:01	Period 2 (62 minutes)	
11:01 – 12:03	Period 3 (62 minutes)	
12:03 – 12:49	Lunch (46 minutes)	12:49 (end of lunch)
12:49 - 1:51	Period 4 (62 minutes)	
1:51 - 1:56	Transition (5 minutes)	(5 min transition)
1:56 - 3:00	A & E Block (64 minutes)	

WEEK ONE: MAJOR DAYS (Seniors) - A, B, C, d
WEEK TWO: MAJOR DAYS (Juniors) – D, C, B, a

Please program the bells to ring at the following times:

- 8:20 RING INSIDE/OUTSIDE (warning for elementary and secondary to come in)
- 10:15 RING OUTSIDE (for elementary & secondary to come in from recess/long break)
- 12:15 RING INSIDE (for elementary to go outside)
- 12:36 RING INSIDE (for secondary to go to class)
- 12:48 RING OUTSIDE (for elementary to come in from lunch)
- 3:03 RING INSIDE/OUTSIDE (for secondary end of day)

PROPER GYM STRIP AND FOOTWEAR

On the days that students have Dance or PE, students are required to wear a T-shirt, shorts (or other flexible clothing like yoga pants), and non-marking running shoes. Primary class clothing requirements will vary with individual teachers. Parents should check with their child's teacher for details.



AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

Elementary students who have an older sibling at KSA, in our Secondary program, are provided supervision on the playground between 2:30 pm and 3:03 pm.

This will enable families to pick-up children at the same time after the school bell rings at 3:03 pm. Students being transported by designated school district buses such as the "Paul Lake Bus" are also part of this after school supervision plan.

We are pleased to see a number of children playing after school, while their parents provide the necessary supervision. We will encourage all other elementary students to make their way home after school. This will help them avoid the vehicular and pedestrian traffic related to our large neighbour, South Kamloops Secondary School.

Thank you for helping to keep our youngest KSA students safe!

GUIDELINES FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICES

As per the District's Policy 406.1, the safe keeping of these devices are solely the responsibility of the owners. We ask that elementary students use the office phone when calling parents during the day, due to illness or urgent matters.



School equipment such as digital cameras and movie cameras may be used for school activities with the permission of the teacher but no other recording/photographic devices may be used at any time.

After school plans must be made between parents the night before – our office will need our phone lines for urgent matters, safety and school business, thank you.

SCHOOL CLOTHING – AUTUMN REMINDERS

Autumn & Winter conditions require **indoor shoes are required** due to the hazard created by wet/dirty floors.

Students are expected to bring jackets and appropriate clothing to stay warm and dry. Students in grades 4 –7 require gym strip (T-shirt, shorts or sweat pants, running shoes) for physical education instruction. **Students' names should be on their gym strip and outdoor clothing.**



PARENT INVOLVEMENT

There are several ways in which you can be an active parent at our school. Our Parent Advisory Council meets at the school on a regular basis and is always looking for volunteers to help them. Their meeting times are published usually under our Calendar of Events at the beginning of the newsletter.

KSA Beanies! \$20

Deadline for orders: Monday, 25th Sept 9am. PAC has arranged for 100% acrylic double-layered knit toque/beanies with our multi-green KSA logo embroidered on the cuff, just in time for fall! Apparel, design and embroidery by small, local Kamloops company.

- A) Green, grey and white or
- B) Black, grey and white.

Cash or cheque to KSA PAC in our PAC mailbox in the office. Please include your students name, teacher name (or secondary grade), and your phone number, as well as colour choice. Delivery to students' classes upon arrival.

Questions? Lonihorsley@gmail.com

Many people volunteer in our school. Their involvement is greatly appreciated and also allows us to expand our programs and to support children in ways that we otherwise may not be able to do. Whenever parents are in the school, we emphasize that they must sign in at the Office and must be aware of confidentiality issues. Records and personal information are confidential and we expect our parents to respect this as well. Regular volunteers are required to sign a volunteer agreement in order to help out at the school.

Popcorn will start on Sept 21st on Thursday mornings for \$1.00 each. We have one volunteer who is committed for the whole year! If there are any other volunteers that could help us out, we would be very appreciative. Please contact us at: kamloopschooloftheartpac@gmail.com. We welcome any feedback from staff and parents as well.

Booster Juice will be available on specified days again this year. More information to come and also will be posted on our website.

MEDICAL POLICY

Please contact the school if your child has any health issues or potentially life-threatening conditions that we need to be made aware of. No medications (prescription or non-prescription) are to be administered by school district employees without prior written consent of the parent/guardian and doctors must sign a "Request for Administration of Medication at School" form which includes written medical advice from the physician. For more information, please see district policies 1006.1 and 1006.2 @ www.sd73.bc.ca.



ABORIGINAL NEWS

NEW ABORIGINAL WORKER:

Hello Parents/Guardians, My name is Mrs. Jackie Yamelst, I am the new Aboriginal Education Worker here at KSA.

I am from the Nlakapamux Nation; however, I have been very honoured to be working in the Secwepemc Nation for over 15 years. I am working Monday to Friday from 8 am-3 pm with the high school and elementary students.

I look forward to meeting you and working with your children. Please feel free to stop by for coffee, email or call me at anytime. jamelst@sd73.bc.ca

ABORIGINAL FAMILY COUNSELLOR:

Our Aboriginal Family Counsellor is Mrs. Ashley Broadfoot. She will be available for one to one counselling on Friday's from 9 am to 12 pm. Please call myself or Ashley for more info.

Ashley Broadfoot, B.ed, M.ed (Counselling)
Aboriginal Family Counsellor
School District #73(Kamloops/Thompson)
Phone (778)220-2836
Email: abroadfoot@sd73.bc.ca

ABORIGINAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FORM:

I have given your child a form and information about the Aboriginal Programs and Services offered here at Kamloops School of the Arts. Can you please read it over and send it back with your child on Monday? I have attached a copy...just in case they misplaced it. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call me.

Thank you!

SHOES IN OUR BEAUTIFUL KSA GYM

To maintain the quality of our newly renovated gymnasium, please ensure that your student has proper athletic, **no-marking running shoes** for use in the gymnasium.



The floor of the gymnasium has been refinished this summer. It is beautiful and ready for lots of action.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



Free Family Movie Night for KSA Families

Featuring "Captain Underpants the First Epic Movie" on Thursday, September 21, 2017

Come meet students & families 6:45 p.m. Movie start time: 7:45 p.m. **Students 16 and younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for the entire evening.**

Concession Items \$1 - \$2 (cash only, while supplies last)

Bring blankets, pillows, & prepare for an outdoor show (Moved indoors if weather doesn't co-operate). Brought to you by the Kamloops School of the Arts PAC

ELEMENTARY MATH PUZZLERS

ELEMENTARY BOOK Prize ENTRY FORM

Please sign on behalf of your child. Yes, I have read this newsletter and would like to enter my child in the school book draw.

ADULTS ARE ALLOWED & ENCOURAGED TO HELP STUDENTS!! WE LOVE THAT! *Talk MATH & NUMBERS with your child!!*

This month's skill testing questions...

INTERMEDIATE MATH PUZZLER	PRIMARY MATH PUZZLER
<p>Samantha is saving to buy a new Mountain bike that costs \$325. Every time she gets any money, she puts it safely in the bank. Samantha was given \$65 for her twelfth birthday last month. She won \$75 when placed first in the writing contest. Samantha sold her old video games for \$40.</p> <p>a) How much more money does Samantha need? (Show your work)</p>	<p>At Kamloops Toys, a toy car costs \$4 less than a toy rocket. A toy rocket cost \$19.</p> <p>a) How much does the toy car cost?</p> <p>b) Richard has \$6. Scott has \$8 more than Richard. How much money does Scott have?</p>
<p>To get the rest of the money, Samantha decides to walk Mrs. Griffith's dog each morning. The job pays \$8 per week.</p> <p>b) How many weeks will it take Samantha to earn the rest of the money? (Show your work.)</p>	

PLEASE SHOW your work to get your name entered to WIN a BEAUTIFUL BOOK!

***Books on display by main office*

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Teacher: _____ Parent Signature _____

SECONDARY NEWS

KSA MUSIC FUNDRAISER – PAINT NIGHT

Hi Everyone!

Don't miss this fun night – no experience required! The attached link has the information to jump in and give it a try!

The registration link is on the front page of the school website @ www.ksa.bc.ca

Everyone is Welcome so bring a friend or two and have a great night!

FREE TUTORING @ TRU FOR GRADE 8 - 12 STUDENTS!

Days? Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

Time? 6 pm - 8 pm

Where? The TRU UPrep Centre - located in Old Main (Room # 2465 in Old Main)

Starts - Tuesday, September 19th

The P.A.U.L. Initiative - named in honour of Paul Jubinville. Paul was one of TRU's first volunteer tutors. He died of cancer during the first semester of this tutoring service and will be remembered as a founding member of this team.

This year this service for high school students from grades 8 through 12 will be available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays! We have 3 tutors (Jon, Francis, and Alex) and other volunteers who can help students in Mathematics, Sciences, French and English classes.

For further information please call Jane Horton at: [250-828-5261](tel:250-828-5261) or email her at jhorton@tru.ca.

SECONDARY MATH PUZZLERS

THREE KSA MUSIC STUDENTS AT A HOTEL RIDDLE

Three Music students have to share a hotel room for the night while they are on tour.

When they get to the hotel, they pay the \$300 fee, then go up to their room. Soon the bellhop brings up their bags and gives the students back \$5 because the hotel was having a special discount that weekend. So the three students decide to each keep one of the \$5 dollars and to give the bellhop a \$2 tip. However, when they sat down to tally up their expenses for the weekend, they could not explain the following details:

Each one of them had originally paid \$10 (towards the initial \$30), then each got back \$1 which meant that they each paid \$9. Then they gave the bellhop a \$2 tip.

HOWEVER: $3 \times \$9 + \$2 = \$29$. The guys couldn't figure out what happened to the other dollar. After all, the three paid out \$30 but could only account for \$29.

Can you determine what happened? SHOW your work.