





FAMILY WEEKLY MEMO

October 16 - October 22, 2023





Monday • lundi Skixwíw's	Tuesday • mardi sʔasłásq̓t	Wednesday • mercredi skaʔłásq̓t	Thursday • jeudi smasq̓t	Friday • vendredi scłkstasq̓t
October 16 16 octobre	October 17 17 octobre	October 18 18 octobre	October 19 19 octobre	October 20 20 octobre
5678  Hockey Academy 8:15 - 10:15 am  Basketball Academy 1:45 - 3:10 pm	2143	6587 Gr. 9 Pengilly Field Studies (Bamfield)	3412 Gr. 9 Pengilly Field Studies (Bamfield) Shake Out BC	Gr. 9 Pengilly Field Studies (Bamfield) Professional Development Day (No School)



Please check the [KLO Calendar](#) on our website for the most updated information/events.
Students and families are encouraged to subscribe to the online calendar on their personal devices.

Please go to the [Parents Tab](#) on our website for access to past Family Weekly Memos.

Other Upcoming Events...

October 23 23 octobre	October 24 24 octobre	October 25 25 octobre	October 26 26 octobre	October 27 27 octobre
		 Basketball Academy 9:00 - 10:15 am Early Dismissal (12:45 pm) Student Led Learning Updates (intro details below)		Rugby Jamboree  Hockey Academy 8:15 - 10:15 am Gr. 7 Pengilly / Williams Field Studies (Knox Mountain)  Basketball Academy 1:45 - 3:10 pm
October 30 30 octobre	October 31 31 octobre	November 1 1 novembre	November 2 2 novembre	November 3 3 novembre
	Happy Halloween 	Grade 9: Take Your Kid To Work Day Discovery Day Field Studies (McCurdy Bowling, Hiking, CNC, Gneiss Climbing, etc)		

SCHOOL BUS



Please review SD23's [School Bus Rider Rules](#) if your student is taking the school bus.

STUDENT LED LEARNING UPDATES

Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Student-Led Learning Updates will allow families time to go into classrooms, hear first hand from their student about their in-class learning, and connect with teachers.



If you have any questions or concerns about your student's learning, please keep in touch with their teachers. We aim to provide open communication between school and home to ensure a smooth year for all learners.

Teachers can most easily be reached by email. All staff emails are firstname.lastname@sd23.bc.ca. Please contact KLOOffice@sd23.bc.ca if you are having difficulty contacting a teacher.

KEEPING OUR STUDENTS SAFE

All middle schools in the Central Okanagan Public Schools are closed campuses. Once school commences, students must stay on school grounds. The college campus, adjacent mini mall, church property, and any surrounding residential private properties are off limits to KLO students during school hours. Students are expected to conduct themselves as responsible members of the surrounding community, including travelling to and from school. Students are not permitted to order food delivery to the school from any online food delivery service.

Parents/Guardians can use the School Messenger app to pre-excuse students who arrive late or who need to leave school early. It is important that students sign out at the office when they are leaving the school, even if they have been parent-excused.

For Health and Safety reasons, students who have signed out at lunch, must be accompanied by a parent or guardian when leaving the school.

Students who have signed out early cannot be on any School District 23 property without an adult. For example, students cannot sign out at KLO to observe a sports activity in another school without their parent/guardian.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

ABSENCE / LATE / EARLY DISMISSAL REPORTING

All Absence / Late / Early Dismissal Reporting is recorded through SchoolMessenger which is School District 23's system for school attendance. Families now have 3 options on how they can report an absence, late or early departure to the school:

1. Use the "SchoolMessenger SafeArrival" App on your smartphone
2. Use the SchoolMessenger SafeArrival Website at go.schoolmessenger.ca
3. Phone the school and **push "1"** to report using the SchoolMessenger SafeArrival automated system (note: be sure to wait for your confirmation code or the absence may not be reported properly)

Visit www.sd23.bc.ca/SchoolMessenger for parent resources to help you get started with SchoolMessenger SafeArrival, and please contact the school if you have any trouble getting your account set up.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When your child is signing out, they must check out at the office.

SCHOOL FEES



School Activity/Cultural Fees are \$30.00 per student for this school year. They have now been added to your child's student account by School District #23. All School District #23 fees are paid using [School Cash Online](#).

If you are having difficulties with School Cash Online, please contact the parent support line at 1-866-961-1803 or email parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com. See more information about School Cash Online [HERE](#).

*At times, there may be additional Field Studies Fees for class trips. Please pay Field Studies Fees **before** the trip.*

You can contact tania.mchale@sd23.bc.ca if you have any questions about your child's school fees.

Please contact the KLO Admin team if you are facing a financial hardship that may restrict the ability of your child to access a school program so we can help with financial matters.

Grade 7 - laura.wiemken@sd23.bc.ca

Grade 8 - blake.smith@sd23.bc.ca

Grade 9 - ashley.ragoonaden@sd23.bc.ca

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

The purpose of the KLO PAC is to promote and improve the quality of education and the well being of students at KLO Middle School. **All parents/guardians welcome!** Our PAC helps decide where to allocate the gaming funds to specific needs within our school. They also run school events and fundraisers to help improve the KLO community.

The KLO PAC is looking for a President! At our AGM on September 20, the KLO PAC elected a full slate of volunteers, but could not find someone to be President. Duties involve chairing six monthly meetings on Monday nights this school year, and some email correspondence. We would love to have you! For more info, email klo.pacpresident@sds23.bc.ca or call Adrian at (604) 408-4836

The next PAC meeting is on **Monday, October 23rd from 6:30-7:30 PM in the KLO Library Learning Commons.** Please join us!

FUNDRAISERS:



KLO PAC has an ongoing fundraiser with **Return-It Express**. Please consider supporting your PAC when returning your cans/bottles. See more information [HERE](#).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



Any parent/guardians who are able to occasionally volunteer to help during our free Student BBQ and Smoothie Days this year, please email PAC member Stephanie Harland at saharland@shaw.ca. We could use your help!

FRESH TO YOU FUNDRAISER

The KLO Fresh to You Fundraiser through Agriculture in the Classroom BC is available for purchase through School Cash Online! <https://CentralOkanagan.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/71128/15/False/True>

40% of sales from this fundraiser go toward the [KLO Modular Farm](#).

This year's bundles are;

Bundle 1 (\$25) - 5 lb Pacific Premium Potatoes, 5 lbs beets, 3 lbs carrots and 3 lbs yellow onions

Bundle 2 (\$30) - 5 lbs Pacific Premium Potatoes, 5 lbs beets, 1 lb parsnips and 283 g shallots



Order deadline: October 18th
Delivery date: November 15th - 25th

Thank you for your support!

CLAWSCO, KLO'S SCHOOL LUNCH STORE

Clawasco is open for students to purchase food and snacks at lunch time in the Cougar Den. Payments accepted include debit or cash.



If you need food support for your child, please contact Laura Wiemken to enroll in the Brown Bag Lunch program (250-870-5106 ext. 8359 or laura.wiemken@sd23.bc.ca)

GRADE 7 FOUNDATION SKILLS ASSESSMENT (FSAs)

The Foundation Skills Assessment is an annual province-wide assessment of all B.C. students' academic skills in grades 4 and 7, and provides parents, teachers, schools, school districts and the ministry with important information on how well students are progressing in the foundation skills of Literacy and Numeracy. For further information, please see the info brochure ([English Version](#) and [French Version](#)).

The Grade 7 Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) will be completed in English and Math classes sometime between October 3 – November 10, 2023.

Please contact Laura Wiemken if you have any questions (250-870-5106 ext. 8359 / laura.wiemken@sd23.bc.ca)

NOON HOUR SUPERVISORS NEEDED



We are hiring Noon Hour Supervisors to help students during our daily lunch break. If you are committed to working one hour per day and ensuring KLO students are safe and well taken care of, please contact laura.wiemken@sd23.bc.ca for more information.

STUDENT ATHLETICS:

Current KLO Sports at a Glance

For detailed athletics information, please see the [KLO Athletics Website](#)

Rugby

Grade 7/8 - Contact: Mr. Bennett (paul.bennett@sd23.bc.ca)

Cross Country Running

Grade 7/8/9 - Contact: Mr. Williams (james.williams@sd23.bc.ca)

Volleyball

Girls Grade 9 - Contact: Ms. Goutier (michole.goutier@sd23.bc.ca)

Boys Grade 9 - Contact: Mr. Ragoonaden (ashley.ragoonaden@sd23.bc.ca)

Girls Grade 8 - Contact: Ms. Blatchford (claire.blatchford@sd23.bc.ca)

Boys Grade 8 - Contact: Mr. Vieweg-Cyr (kyle.vieweg-cyr@sd.23.bc.ca)

Girls Grade 7 - Contact: Ms. Piche (andrea.piche@sd23.bc.ca)

Any interested volunteers can contact our Athletic Director at garth.dupre@sd23.bc.ca

KLO LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Lunch Time Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Diversity Club Portable 1 Bailey / Martinson	Diversity Club Portable 1 Bailey / Martinson	Diversity Club Portable 1 Bailey / Martinson	Diversity Club Portable 1 Bailey / Martinson	Diversity Club Portable 1 Bailey / Martinson
Games Club - LLC Dumont	Games Club - LLC Dumont	Games Club - LLC Dumont	Games Club - LLC Dumont	Games Club - LLC Dumont
	Champions League / Europa Cup Live Streams Rm 17 Bennett	Champions League / Europa Cup Live Streams Rm 17 Bennett		Art Club - Rm 6 Charest
	Magic Card Club - Rm 9 Racine	Multicultural Club - Rm 26A Gingera		
	Uno Club - Rm 28 Rootes	History / Geography Club The Boardwalk Daponte		

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- 📄 **Babysitter Training and Home Alone Courses 2023.jpg**
- 📄 **New Vintage Theatre Company - ELF The Musical.pdf**
- 📄 **Okanagan Symphony Orchestra - New Discoveries.pdf**
- 📄 **Sustainable Development Challenge 23-24.pdf**
- 📄 **Sustainable Development Challenge Art for Social Change.pdf**
- [Digital Family Wellness Resources](#)

SD23 Appeals Procedure/Financial Hardship Language/Sanctuary Schools Policy

The Central Okanagan School District's Appeals Process Board Policy 460 [LINK](#)

The Central Okanagan School District's Financial Hardship Clause Within Board Regulation 425R [LINK](#) for more information. Student Fees (see www.sd23.bc.ca), the Board of Education has indicated "that a student will not be excluded from any educational program due to financial hardship".

The Central Okanagan School District's Sanctuary Schools Policy Board Policy 421

Sanctuary Schools upholds the Board's commitment to providing educational opportunities for all students who are ordinarily residents in the Central Okanagan, including those with precarious immigration status or no immigration status. Student registrations that pertain to Policy 421 – Sanctuary Schools will be processed through the Welcome Centre.

Policy 421 – [Sanctuary Schools](#)
[Welcome Centre](#)