

KLO WEEKLY MEMO

November 17 - 21, 2025

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

On Monday, our school community took time to honour Remembrance Day at our Remembrance Day Ceremony. The Colour Guard, MC's, band students and student presenters did an incredible job honouring this important day. Thank you to all of the teachers and students who contributed to this ceremony. Our student body did an incredible job as they observed mindfully, and respectfully.

Our new kitchen and food programs are buzzing. We continue to work towards our goal of providing home-made meals for students accessing our programs. Students are now getting baked goods and pasta lunches that are made right here at KLO. We will continue to build and add items to our menu in the months to come. Thank you to all of the staff who make our food programs possible. I also want to thank Peter at "Peter's Your Independent Grocer" for all of the generous donations to our food programs. Thank you!




On November 20, we recognize Harmony Day in our District. While we always appreciate the rich diversity of our KLO community, this is a special day that celebrates the unique gifts that each individual brings. At KLO, we respect all differences and strive for a culture that is sensitive, inclusive and safe for all students. Have a great weekend.

Sincerely,
Nathen Elliott

Principal
École KLO Middle School
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Upcoming Events...

Monday • lundi Skixwíws	Tuesday • mardi sʔaslásq̄t	Wednesday • mercredi skaʔhlásq̄t	Thursday • jeudi smasq̄t	Friday • vendredi scíkstasq̄t
November 17 17 novembre	November 18 18 novembre	November 19 19 novembre	November 20 20 novembre	November 21 21 novembre
6712 Leadership Toy Drive!  Hockey Academy (1:30-3:00 Rink 2)	3456 Leadership Toy Drive!	7123 Leadership Toy Drive! KLO PAC Meeting 6:30 KLO Library	DD45 Leadership Toy Drive!  SD23 Harmony Day	6712 Leadership Toy Drive!
November 24 24 novembre	November 25 25 novembre	November 26 26 novembre	November 27 27 novembre	November 28 28 novembre
3456	7123 Gr 8 Upstream Survey Implementation	4567	DD12  Hockey Academy (1:54-3:15 Rink 2)	3456 Last Day of Term 1

KLO LEADERSHIP TOY DRIVE



The holiday season is fast approaching! November 17 - 21 will be a KLO Toy Drive. Students and staff are being asked to bring a new toy to their Block 1 class to donate.

GRADE 7 NETHERLANDS EXCHANGE - Update!



Thank you to all of the grade 7 students who submitted an application for the Veendam, Netherlands exchange trip!

The student selection process is now complete and students have been drawn to be added to the waitlist (waitlisted students were notified this week).

Successful applicant parents/guardians were sent an email today (November 14). The first group meeting is on **Wednesday, December 3 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the KLO Library**. This is mandatory for all successful applicants and at least one parent/guardian. If you cannot make it, please email justin.boersma@sd23.bc.ca to arrange an alternate plan.

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. 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. If you have any questions or would like to add items to upcoming PAC agendas, please email Klo.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca.

The next PAC Meeting is November 19 at 6:30 PM in the KLO Library.

Return-It Express Fundraiser



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

STUDENT CLUBS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH TIME				
<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Strength Training Club Gym Mr. Hernstedt</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Coding Club Room 6 Ms. Thodas & Mr. Wells</p> <p>Live Soccer Games Room 17 Mr. Bennett</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Beaded Crafters Room 6 Ms. Thodas</p> <p>Live Soccer Games Room 17 Mr. Bennett</p> <p>Strength Training Club Gym Mr. Hernstedt</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Coding Club Room 6 Ms. Thodas & Mr. Wells</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Strength Training Club Gym Mr. Hernstedt</p>
AFTER SCHOOL				
	<p>Reading Club Room 30 Ms. Arina & Mr. Dexter 3:15 - 3:45pm</p> <p>Conversation Circle (Practice your English) Room 30 Ms. Arina & Mr. Dexter 3:45 - 4:15pm</p>			

STUDENT ATHLETICS

KLO Athletics

Grade 9 Girls Basketball

Coach: Looking for coaches
Try Outs: Nov 10 @ 5:00-6:30pm / Nov 13 6:30-8:00pm

Grade 9 Boys Basketball

Coaches: Ms. Cavers & Mr. Scorgie
Try Outs Nov 12/13 @ 7:30am

Grade 8 Girls Basketball

Coaches: Mr. Jackman & Mr. McLaughlin
Sign up in the Gym Monday, Nov 10 at lunch
1st Practice: Nov 13th 3:30-4:45pm
2nd Practice: Nov 18th 7:30 -8:30am (morning)

Grade 8 Boys Basketball

Coaches: Mr. Moisan & Ms. Ulmer
Sign up in the Gym Monday, Nov 10 at lunch
1st practice: Nov 13th 5:00-6:30pm
2nd practice: Nov 17th 5:00-6:30pm

Grade 7 Basketball

Starts at the end of January / beginning of February

SD23 Wrestling Team

Please connect with Mr. Dupre if you missed the start up meeting on October 15.

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



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

CLAWSCO - KLO'S SCHOOL LUNCH STORE

Monthly Prepaid Lunches: Pre-paying for the month guarantees your child gets the daily meal everyday and they do not have to wait in the main line up unless they are purchasing snacks. This will be available monthly on SchoolCashOnline: December \$70 / January \$95 / February \$85 / March \$55 / April \$105 / May \$95 / June \$70

*No refunds or partial refunds available for absences or food preferences due to the high cost of food programming.

WEEKLY MEAL MENU*

Monday - Pasta \$5

Tuesday - Burrito \$5

Options: Chicken or Black Bean

Wednesday - Sushi \$5

Options: California, Spicy California, Yam, Cucumber or Mixed Veggie

Thursday - Sandwich \$5

Options: Ham, Turkey or Veggie

Friday - Pizza \$2.50 / slice

Options: Cheese, Pepperoni, Ham & Pineapple, Veggie or GF Veggie

**Subject to change as Leadership & Business classes get involved in running the school store and menu planning*



We strive to ensure all our students are well-fed and ready to learn.

BREAKFAST is available every morning for any students who need it. No need to sign up - just stop by the "Cougar Den" cafeteria for some good brain food before a day of learning.

Any families who need additional food support at LUNCH can email laura.wiemken@sd23.bc.ca to be added to our school sponsored lunch list.

DIGITAL DEVICE RESTRICTIONS (e.g. Cell Phones, Smartwatch, etc)



In accordance with the requirements from the Ministry of Education and Child Care, schools across our district have updated their Student Code of Conduct to include the restricted use of cell phones and personal digital devices during school hours effective July 1, 2024. Please see [HERE](#) for further information. All electronic devices that are used for communication must be stored in student lockers from the time a student enters the school until the end of the school day, unless directly authorized by school staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please connect with Administration.

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Vice Principal (Last Names A-K): Ty.Nelson@sd23.bc.ca

Vice Principal (Last Names L-Z): Laura.Wiemken@sd23.bc.ca

COMMUNITY EVENTS / RESOURCES

NEW VINTAGE THEATRE
proudly present



November 26-December 4, 2025
Mary Irwin Theatre, Rotary Centre for the Arts
**with permission of MTI, Character Arts LLC.*

Tickets at www.theboxoffice.ca
www.newvintage.ca

Strong Neighbourhoods YOUTH Development & Engagement Grant

Be a leader. Build connection in your community. The City of Kelowna offers up to **\$1,000** in matching grant funds for youth-led community projects or events.

Have an idea that will improve your neighbourhood or build relationships? Team up with fellow youth aged **13-24** in your community to get creative and take the lead. Rack up volunteer hours, boost your resume, hone your leadership skills, and build friendships while improving your community.



City of Kelowna
neighbourhoods@kelowna.ca
kelowna.ca/neighbourhoods

Register Today!

Big White Ski Club BLAZERS:

- 10 week program
- Starting early January, choose Saturdays or Sundays
- An introduction to ski racing
- For skiers aged 6-11 (not a learn to ski program)



Big White Ski Club
*payment plans available
www.bigwhiteskiclub.com/registernow

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SUMMIT

Kelowna Ramada Hotel & Conference Centre
2170 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna BC Canada V1Y-6G8
Thursday November 20th, 2025 | 1 pm - 7pm

A FREE Inclusive Employment Event for youth with disabilities

Register and read more at: inclusionBC.org/YES

The Youth Employment Summit (YES!) is coming to your community — and we want you to be part of it!

These inclusive, free events are designed to spark inspiration and open doors — whether you're just starting to think about your future or ready to step into the workforce. Join us to meet new people, learn from professionals, and take the next step on your employment journey!

FREE Snacks & Drinks!
Fuel up while you connect and learn.

This event is brought to you in collaboration with Pathways Abilities Society, Central Okanagan Public Schools, WHEELS Transition to Employment Program & Okanagan College

inclusion BC

NEW VINTAGE THEATRE

Winter Theatre Classes

November-December 2025
Professional Instruction/Last Class Show
Studio 100, Rotary Centre for the Arts

Youth	Teens	Adults
HOME ALONE SATURDAYS 10-11AM OR MONDAYS 4-5:30PM	WINTER MYSTERY PLAY SATURDAYS 11-1PM OR CHICAGO MUSICAL SATURDAYS 2-5:30PM	IMPROV MONDAYS 5:30-7 LET'S MAKE A HOLIDAY MURDER MYSTERY IMPROV TUESDAYS 5:30-7
K-POP COMEBACK SATURDAYS 1-2PM OR WEDNESDAYS 4-5:30PM		
SLEEPING BEAUTY SATURDAYS 2-3PM OR TUESDAYS		

Register/Info
www.newvintage.ca

City of Kelowna



Basketball for Teens

Mondays, 4 - 5 pm
Nov. 17th - Dec. 15th
PRC Gymnasium

\$30 Register here or online at kelowna.ca/recreation

KCR COMMUNITY RESOURCES



UAD Inclusive Youth Soccer

Ready to help your child elevate their soccer game?

Our recurring soccer sessions welcome players of all skill levels to make friends, build a community all while enjoying the sport. This is their chance to experience dynamic, fun, and challenging training that will help them develop not only their soccer skills but their social skills as well in an inclusive environment.

Session Details:
Group I: Ages 9-13
Group II: Ages 14-17

Limited spots available; registration is ongoing

Where: Rutland Bubble (Dome), 705 Rutland Rd N
Dates: Sundays, Nov 30th, 2025 - Mar 15th, 2026
When: 12:00pm - 2:00pm (Please arrive 10 minutes early)
Cost: FREE

Register for FREE!


UBC UAD UNITED AGAINST DISABILITY ORGANIZATION City of Kelowna

City of Kelowna

Plant-Based Teen Cooking Classes

Vegan Black Bean Quesadilla with Mango Salsa & Crema

Wednesday, November 19, 6pm-8pm



Presented by Award-Winning Chef and local Author of the Irresistibly Vegan - Gourmet Cookbook
Elvira Rodriguez Alonso
www.irresistiblyvegan.com

Register Here or online: kelowna.ca/recreation
250-469-8800

Resources to support you and your child



Register for free training

Tips to protect children and youth online



Have a conversation

Talk with children and youth about things they may be experiencing

What kind of information can I find on erase.gov.bc.ca?

- **Practical guidance** to help you support your child's safety and well-being
- **Resources and information about:**
 - Diversity and inclusion
 - Mental health and substance use
 - School and online safety
- **Free training sessions** to help you keep your child safe online
- **Videos** explaining erase, the Report It Tool, and safe, caring and inclusive schools
- **Tips** for bringing concerns to your child's school

What is the Report It Tool?

Report It is an **anonymous online tool** for **students** to report anything concerning to their school safety team—whether it happens at school, online, or somewhere else. Find it at erase.gov.bc.ca.

Questions? Reach out to your school to learn more.



Ministry of
Education and
Child Care



Internet Safety and Digital Literacy for Parents & Caregivers

Live Virtual Event

Thursday, November 13th | 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Free!

- Positives and negatives of the internet
- Technology as a distraction
- Media overconsumption
- Nudes & sexting
- Online predators & exploitation
- Challenges for youth, parents, caregivers
- Data tracking, privacy...and more!

Learn more:



Presented by special guest

Brandon Laur of

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Space is limited. Email

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to register.

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