

KLO WEEKLY MEMO

February 16 - 20, 2026

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

I want to start off by thanking our community for all the care they have shown throughout the week. The kindness and positivity that our students, families and staff bring to our building everyday have a huge impact on the wellness, and culture, of our school. Everyone's positive actions and words make a difference.

As the ripples from the tragic event in Tumbler Ridge continue to impact so many, we must remember to take care of one another and ourselves. Be sure to take some time and check-in with those you love and be sure to reach out to the school, if there is anything we can do to support your child or family. It takes a village. Our thoughts are with those who were directly impacted by this tragedy.

It was a week full of school spirit days, intramural basketball, learning and leadership initiatives. Thanks to all of the students for showing their school spirit by participating. We also want to send a big thank you to our Leadership students for running intramurals, organizing candy grams and celebrating students bringing the spirit to KLO. The grade 7 basketball teams are also off to a great start, as they had their first games this week and represented us well. Go Cougars!

Throughout February, we continue to honour Black History month, National Inclusive Education and Human Rights. We will also celebrate **Pink Shirt** Day on February 25. Lastly, please remember that there is no school on Friday (Professional Learning Day for Educators) or Monday (Family Day). Have a wonderful long weekend, KLO.

Sincerely,
Nathen Elliott

Principal
École KLO Middle School
nathen.elliott@sd23.bc.ca



Upcoming Events...

Monday • lundi Skixwíws	Tuesday • mardi sʔaslásq̄t	Wednesday • mercredi skaʔhlásq̄t	Thursday • jeudi smasq̄t	Friday • vendredi sc̄lkstasq̄t
February 16 16 fevrier	February 17 17 fevrier	February 18 18 fevrier	February 19 19 fevrier	February 20 20 fevrier
 <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">NO SCHOOL</div>	<p>7123</p> <p>Field Study Gagne & Martinson Stuart Park 11:15AM - 12:45PM</p> <p>Basketball Academy Offsite until 10:40AM</p>	<p>4567</p> <p>OKM Session for Gr 9's - Course Selection, 12:30PM-1:30PM</p> <p>Basketball Academy Offsite at 1:45PM</p> <p>UPDATE: OKM Family Info Night (6pm at OKM Gym)</p> <p>PAC Meeting 6:30PM - Library Learning Commons</p>	<p>DD12</p> <p>Hockey Academy Offsite at 1:15PM</p>	<p>3456</p> <p>Last day of Term 2</p>
February 23 23 fevrier	February 24 24 fevrier	February 25 25 fevrier	February 26 26 fevrier	February 27 27 fevrier
<p>7123</p> <p>Term 3 begins</p> <p>Hockey Academy Offsite at 1:00PM</p>	<p>4567</p> <p>Term 3 Discovery Day Requests OPEN</p>	<p>1234</p> <p style="color: red;">Fire Drill 12:30PM</p> <p>Pink Shirt Day</p> 	<p>DD56</p>	<p>7123</p>

2026/2027 SCHOOL YEAR STUDENT COURSE REQUESTS

Grade 7 and 8 students will be completing their course requests for the upcoming year the week of February 23-27.

- Grade 7s - with their Homeroom teacher
- Grade 8s - with their Science 8 teacher
- Grade 9s - With KSS and OKM staff in block 6 on February 18
(students transferring to other secondary schools will need to contact that school to complete this process)

This will be completed on the Student Portal of MyEd using the login: [stu23firstname.lastname](#) (instructions [HERE](#))

Student accounts will be set up and the process reviewed with students step-by-step so they know what to do.

★ Please discuss the options with your child (booklet [HERE](#)) to ensure they make an informed decision.

★ Changes and late requests are not often accommodated once schedules are built.

DRUMHELLER - Attention Grade 8 Parent/Guardians

Please see the following information regarding KLO's annual trip to the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller, AB.

When: Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - Thursday, May 7, 2026

Mandatory Parent Meeting: Was held on February 3rd, 6:00pm in the Library Learning Commons.

Who can attend: All grade 8 students are invited to apply. Space is limited to 32 students.

Activities: To begin, we will drive to Calgary and visit an Escape Room to exercise our skills of observation, critical thinking, creative thinking, and teamwork. The next day, we will move on to the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller and enjoy a day-long program learning about the history of life on Earth, dinosaurs, fossils, and the ever-changing conditions of our planet. We will "sleep with the dinosaurs" overnight in the museum and have another morning session before heading home. We will stop for brief food stops in Banff and Revelstoke on the way back.

Cost: The projected cost for students to attend this trip is \$480, but it is subject to change.

If you are interested in participating: Students can join the Google Classroom "Drumheller 2026" (class code **qdvwgoe2**) for more details and access to the application. The site will be updated with the application after the parent meeting.

Applications close Sunday, February 15th.

Sincerely,
Mr. Racine and Mrs. Green

UBCO GO ENG GIRL EVENT

UBC Okanagan is hosting the last on-campus Go Eng Girl event for this school year on **Thursday, February 26th, 9:00am-2:00pm**. The session is intended for grade 9 girls (*the word "girl" includes trans, genderqueer, and non-binary participants*). The theme is "Designing the Future" and is designed for students who are curious about engineering and want to explore how it connects to real-world impact and discover how their ideas can spark real change. If interested, parents/guardians must complete the Permission Form by **Thursday, February 19th**.

EVENT DETAILS:

Topic: Designing for the Future
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
Time: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Location: UBCO campus

HOCKEY ACADEMY



Attention Hockey Players!

Are you interested in joining the KLO Hockey Academy next year?

Who is it for?

Any hockey players going into Grade 8 or 9 next year. All levels are welcome!



What is it? Hockey Academy is a class at KLO that falls within the regular timetable. It is a replacement for your PHE class. The class is focused on individual hockey skills, regardless of what level you play at. Some classes are spent on ice at MNP Place, while others are treated like a regular PHE class during off ice days.

How much does it cost? \$1400 for the year (September 2026-June 2027)

What does the cost include? 50 hours of ice time / Bussing to and from the arena and KLO / Professional coaches - we have a first-class team of former NHL players, AHL players, European pros, Junior and college players, WHL and BCHL coaches, NHL and WHL scouts, and goalie coaches.

For more information and to apply online, visit our website: tinyurl.com/KLOHockeyAcademy
If you have any questions, talk to Mr. Szalay (in the woodshop) or email at michael.szalay@sd23.bc.ca

KSS / OKM: Secondary School Information Sessions

Two secondary school information sessions are being held as noted below. Please contact the secondary school directly for further information/questions.

❖ **Meeting at Kelowna Secondary School (KSS) - February 11th at 5:00 pm.**

2026 - 2027 KSS Course Requests. *Please note important dates regarding next year course planning:*

- “Welcome to KSS” Assemblies at feeder middle schools for incoming Grade 10s (YOG 2029) were held at KLO on February 3rd.
- 2026-2027 Course Request Parent/Student Information Sessions were at KSS Gym on February 11th (details below). You do not need to RSVP.
 - 2026-2027 Gr 10: 5:00-6:00 p.m.
 - Pre-AP Math for 2026-2027 Gr 10: 6:00-6:30 p.m.
 - 2026-2027 Gr 11 & 12: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Course Request Sessions at feeder middle schools are being held on **February 18th**. KSS Admin and Counsellors will host in-class sessions with students using the MyEd Student Portal to assist students in requesting their next year courses.
- KSS Course [Viewbook](#) and Course Request Planning Sheets are on the KSS Website, “About”, “KSS Courses”. [HERE](#) is the link.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL KSS 2026-2027 COURSE REQUESTS IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20th.

❖ **UPDATE: Meeting at École Okanagan Mission Secondary (OKM) - February 18th at 6:00 pm.** Please note, the parent meeting is Wednesday, not Tuesday.

YOUTH THEATRE CANADA

Youth Theatre Canada has reached out and will be holding auditions at KLO for any aspiring actors who want to audition for their Spring production of “Lost World.”

If your child is interested, please have them see Mrs. Charest in room 19 to get an audition form that needs to be signed and returned before **March 1st**. Auditions are on March 4th!

GRADE 7 PARENT/GUARDIANS - STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY

Please take a few minutes to complete the British Columbia Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey (SLS). The SLS provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation. The SLS is the only source of province-wide information about students' learning experiences through the perspectives of students, parents, guardians/caregivers, and school staff. Schools and districts use the SLS to make informed decisions around long-term planning and goal-setting, and in providing individual students personalized support.

[HERE](#) is the link to the survey.

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 February 18, 2026 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](#).

KLO Québec 2026 Backyard Beans Coffee Fundraiser

Please see attached poster for the Backyard Beans Coffee Fundraiser, which is raising funds for the 2026 KLO Quebec trip. Orders can be placed [HERE](#). Orders will be taken until **today, February 13th**.



KLO Québec 2026 Backyard Beans Coffee Fundraiser

Freshly roasted coffee!
1 lb. bags for only \$22.00

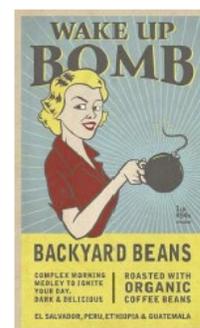
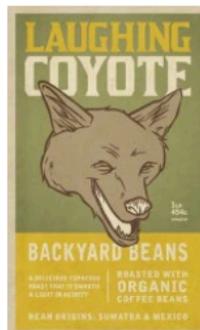
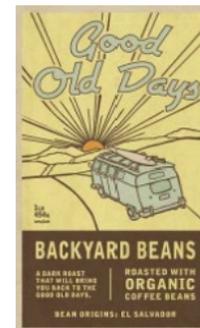
Payment can be made by cash
or cheque to KLO or Click the
link to order online!

[Quebec Fundraiser - Backyard
Beans](#)

Please indicate if the coffee
needs to be ground.

Order will be taken until
February 13th.

Delivery is February 27th.



STUDENT CLUBS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH TIME				
<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Coding Club Room 6 Mr. Wells</p> <p>Live Soccer Games Room 17 Mr. Bennett</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Live Soccer Games Room 17 Mr. Bennett</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</p> <p>Coding Club Room 6 Mr. Wells</p>	<p>Games Club Library Ms. Li</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 7 Basketball

-Girls Tuesday at lunch and Thursday mornings
Coach: Mr. Dupre & Ms. Bailey

-Boys Wednesday mornings & Thursdays at lunch
Coach: Mr. Boersma & Ms. Caponero

Grade 9 Girls Basketball

Coach: Talk to Mr. Dupre

Grade 9 Boys Basketball

Coaches: Ms. Cavers & Mr. Scorgie

SD23 Wrestling Team

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

Spring Teams

Spring Teams and clubs will start after Spring Break

Track & Field

Golf

Mountain Biking

Grade 9 Rugby (for KSS)

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

CLAWSCO - KLO'S SCHOOL LUNCH STORE

Monthly Prepaid Lunches: Sign up to get the daily meal everyday through the express pre-paid lineup. These will be available monthly on [SchoolCashOnline](#): March \$55 / April \$105 / May \$95 / June \$70

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*



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.

**2026 / 2027
ENROLLMENT
INFORMATION**



Central Okanagan
Public Schools
Together We Learn

French Immersion Kindergarten
Informational Session: Tuesday, January 13, 2026
@ 6:00-7:00 pm Zoom Link: sd23.org/french
This meeting will be recorded and posted on the
District website

**ONLINE APPLICATION for STUDENT ENROLLMENT begins on
Monday, February 2, 2026, at 7:00 am for 2026 - 2027 School Year**
(for kindergarten, new students, and school of choice for K – 12)

Schools will be open at 7:00 am to provide support to parents that require assistance.
Documentation Submission Deadline: **Friday, March 13, 2026**

If you are new to Canada, please contact the Welcome Centre for enrollment information at (250)870-5155

HOW TO APPLY

PLEASE NOTE: *The application process is online only. You are required to have a valid email account.*

In your web browser type: <https://www.sd23.bc.ca/school-enrollment>

No internet access? Please contact your school for assistance.

Online applications begin on Monday, February 2, 2026 at 7:00 am. Applications will be assigned a date-time stamp on a first-come, first-served basis, which will factor into a student's placement priority.

Complete the online application as early as possible, and provide the required documents listed below directly to the school in by email or in person by **Friday, March 13, 2026**.

1. Student's **Birth Certificate** or other government issued proof of age and citizenship.
2. **Proof of Parent/Guardian B.C. Residency**
 - a. Combination BC Driver's License and Services Card (copy of both sides); or,
 - b. BC Services Card (copy of both sides) **and** one item from the list of Supporting Documentation (3.) below; or,
 - c. Proof of application for BC Medical Services Plan and one item from the list of Supporting Documentation below.
3. **Supporting Documentation/Proof of Parent/Guardian Living Address**
 - Ownership of a dwelling or long-term lease or rental of a dwelling;
 - Documentation indicating British Columbia residence (i.e. utility bill);
 - British Columbia registration of an automobile;
 - British Columbia Driver's License (copy of both sides); or,
 - A current income tax return filed as a British Columbia resident.

AFTER Thursday, September 3, 2026

New in-catchment area enrollments: Parents will be notified by a confirmation email when the school has accepted the student's application for enrollment. Board Policy 405R – Student Placement (Regulations), will be used to determine student placement and priority.

New out-of-catchment area enrollments: Parents will not be notified until after the summer enrollment period is over and all in-catchment area students have been placed.

Qualifying age: The School Act requires that a child must be five years of age by December 31, 2026, to qualify for school enrollment in September 2026. No exceptions.

For further information, please visit the School District website www.sd23.bc.ca or call (250) 860-8888.

2026 / 2027 SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN

Priority seating for the 2026-2027 school year is given to those applicants who have applied before the end of day on **May 31, 2026**.



The School Bus Transportation Application for September 2026 (2026-2027 year) is now open!

IMPORTANT

Although school bus transportation applications are accepted throughout the school year, priority seating for the 2026–2027 school year is given to those applicants who have applied before end of day on **May 31, 2026**

Use the link below to submit a school bus transportation application for the 2025-2026 school year.

<https://busconnect.sd23.bc.ca>

Students must be registered to ride on the school bus, for detailed information regarding student eligibility for transportation please visit our website:

<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/transportation-services-programsservices>

470R – Transportation Services Management – Guiding Principles for Transportation in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/documents/24bb4ba9-1cff-53b9-b0a4-a7dcde0e2c1b>

!!STOP!!

For RED FLASHING LIGHTS



IT'S THE LAW

Safety is everyone's responsibility

COMMUNITY EVENTS / RESOURCES



Free youth night
Parkinson Rec. Centre
 Please bring a swimsuit for the pool, shoes for the gym,
 your best gaming skills and an appetite for pizza!



SIX SEVEN
 Saturday
 February 21st
 March 21st
 6:00-9:00PM
 Grade 6 - Grade 9
 Welcome



Family Day Fun at MNP Place
 Monday, Feb. 16, 2026
 1 - 4 p.m.
 Free! Donations are greatly appreciated in support of Central Okanagan Search & Rescue.
 Featuring fun and games for the whole family, including a Park & Play bouncy castle, active games, try-it sports scavenger hunt, and free skating! Skate rentals available on site, make sure to bring your own helmet! Plus win prizes!



KELOWNA MINOR FASTBALL
 IS HOSTING **FREE**

LEARN TO PLAY FASTBALL CLINICS

FREE CLINICS

- U7: born 2019/2020
- U9: born 2017/2018
- U11: born 2015/2016
- U13: born 2013/2014

FEBRUARY 14 & 15, 2026




HEAT
www.kelownafastball.ca



WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION

2026 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
 RECREATIONAL PROGRAM
U7 - U18

Our Recreational program is the heartbeat of our club, and all practices and home games take place in West Kelowna.

PROGRAM STARTS APRIL 4TH
 REGISTER - WWW.WYSA.CA



WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION
 West Kelowna Dome

SOCCER EXPERIENCE FREE

MARCH 1ST 2026

- 8:30AM-9:30AM | U4-U6 BOYS AND GIRLS
- 9:45AM-10:45AM | U7-U10 BOYS AND GIRLS
- 11AM-12PM | U11-U15 BOYS AND GIRLS

WYSA wants to share the beauty of the game by inviting kids who have yet to experience the love of soccer!

This is for children that did not play for WYSA in 2025.

REGISTER AT WYSA.CA TO SECURE YOUR SPOT AND JOIN THE FUN

HEAT

SPRING REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

COMMUNITY DIVISIONS
 U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17, U20

SEASON RUNS FROM
 APRIL 6 - JUNE 28, 2026



WWW.KELOWNAFASTBALL.CA

NEW FOR 2026, SOFTBALL IS CHANGING AN ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE OF \$35-\$45 PER PLAYER (DEPENDING ON YOUR AGE CATEGORIES) IN THE PAST, THIS WAS PAID TO SOFTBALL BC OUT OF YOUR REGISTRATION FEE. THIS YEAR, SOFTBALL BC REQUIRES DIRECT PAYMENT BEFORE REGISTERING WITH YOUR ASSOCIATION. WE HAVE PROVIDED OUR REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULES. PLEASE USE OUR REGISTRATION LINK AND YOU WILL BE PROMPTED TO PAY SOFTBALL BC PRIOR TO REGISTERING WITH WYSA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

City of Kelowna

LICENSED SPRING BREAK CAMP



City of Kelowna day camps pack your week with gym games, creative crafts, outdoor adventures, and a splash-filled swim trip to Parkinson Rec Centre. Join our awesome staff for a fast-paced, fun-loaded adventure!

Watson Rd Elementary **Bankhead Elementary** **Apr 5-12**

Registration
Registration must be completed through the Program Manager. Please contact for more information.

Subsidy available!

Bankhead: bankheadkelowna@gmail.com
Watson Road: wraspkelowna@gmail.com

City of Kelowna

DAYS OF DANCE CAMP

Let's Move and Groove!

Students dive into Jazz, Ballet, Musical Theatre, Hip Hop, and more while building confidence and learning core movement skills. It's a fun, creative way to express yourself through dance.



LOCATIONS:

- Kinsmen Fieldhouse - Mar 16-20
- Parkinson Recreation Centre - Mar 23-27

REGISTRATION:

- Sign up on our website

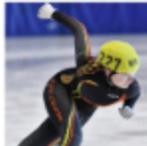


Only 42.50

rec.kelowna.ca or 250-469-8800

SKATE LIKE AN OLYMPIAN





Our skaters start in Kelowna then race all over Canada!

FREE Try-It Session Feb. 9th @ 5:45-6:30p
MNP Place Rink #2

All ages and experience levels welcome!!

kelownaspeedskate@gmail.com for registration info

SCAN ME



Spring League Now Open

BASKETBALL



HOUSE LEAGUES
CAMPS & CLINICS
COMPETITIVE TEAMS
YOUTH AGES 5 TO 16
SMALL-GROUP & PRIVATE TRAINING

3X3

westk hoops.ca

KCR COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Workshop



Explore the topics of diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice and why they matter.
Open to anyone in the community!

Register Now!



<https://www.kcr.ca/2023/02/23/diversity-equity-inclusion-workshop/>

Questions? Contact: Ximena | ximena@kcr.ca | 250-762-8800 ext. 202

This workshop takes place over two dates one week apart to allow time for reflection.

When: March 3rd, 5:00pm - 8:00pm
March 10th, 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Where: KCR Community Resources, 620 Leon Ave - 2nd Floor

Cost: FREE

Partner: Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

SPRING BREAK CAMPS



Soccer:
Grades 4-8



Scan for more info!

Volleyball:
Grades 4-10



Scan for more info!



Basketball:
Grades 9-12



Scan for more info!



Move. Play. Train.

@ubco_recreation

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.



neighbourhoods@kelowna.ca
kelowna.ca/neighbourhoods



West Kelowna Parents & Athletes.
West Kelowna Minor Football Association

SPRING 2026

COED Flag Football

If you're looking for a fun and exciting sport to get your kids involved in, look no further than flag football!

This fast-paced game is perfect for kids aged 5-13 and is a great way to learn the fundamentals of football while having a blast.

U7, U10, U12, U14 Age Groups



REGISTER NOW!



Info@westkelownabearsfootball.ca
www.westkelownabearsfootball.ca