

Bear Tracks December 1-5, 2025

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@mbssbears

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"Golden Age of Boucherie"



THIS WEEK

Dec 1	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
3/4-1/2	12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
Dec 2	9 am – Careers 10-12 to Okanagan College (Bedwell, McParland)
7/8-5/6	12:40 pm – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey)
Dec 3	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to SpinCo (Briker)
3/4-1/2	9:15 am – Indigenous Learning Community 10-12 to Chief Tomat Elem (Redfearn, Mills-D)
	12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
Dec 4	12:30 pm – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz)
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Dec 5	9 am – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz)
3/4-1/2	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
	9:45 am – Leadership 11/12 to West Kelowna Bowling (Marshall)
	12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)



NEXT WEEK

Dec 8	MBSS 10 Days of Holidays - Flannel Day! (show up in some comfy, warm and stylish flannel)
5/6-7/8	12:40 pm – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey)
Dec 9	MBSS 10 Days of Holidays – Cookie Decoration Day! (decorate cookies at lunch, Room 155B)
1/2-3/4	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker)
	12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker)
	2 pm – PE Class to Jim Lind Arena for Skating (Rogall)
Dec 10	MBSS 10 Days of Holidays - Students vs Staff Snowball (Dodgeball) Fight! (Bear Gym at lunch)
5/6-7/8	9 am – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz)
Dec 11	MBSS 10 Days of Holidays - Holiday Headgear! (santa hat, toque, antlers, festive ball cap!!)
1/2-3/4	Early Dismissal at 11:50 am – all busses are running at this time
	Capstone Day – 12:45 pm in the MPR – First Semester English 12 students!
	6:30-9:30 pm – Grad Winter Formal in the MPR
Dec 12	MBSS 10 Days of Holidays - Spreading Christmas Cheer! (Leadership gives candy canes all day!)
5/6-7/8	12:40 pm – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey)



MBSS Sports Teams Schedules: Athletics - Central Okanagan Public Schools

School Sports Teams Schedules are posted on the Central Okanagan Public Schools Athletics page and can also be found using the link above. Questions? Please connect with your student's coach!

PARENTS/STUDENTS

Peer Tutoring for Students!

Room 013 at lunch, Tuesdays and Thursdays
Get help for any subject!

Do not miss school unless you are sick!

If you are absent, please contact your teacher by email to find out what you need to do. You MUST do this work at home!





<u>Student Parking Areas</u> - Students must have a MBSS Student Parking Pass registered with MBSS and can only park in Student Parking areas:

- 1. Student parking area by the gym
- 2. Along the fence line towards Pickleball courts (student designated area only, not visitors area)
- 3. The dirt lot past Jim Lind Arena.

All students with motorized transportation including EBikes, EScooters and Motorbikes must register their mode of transport with the school.

Students may not park in Staff Assigned Spaces, in Visitor Parking, or in the back of the school. Students who park in areas other than ones designated for student parking may be towed.

Students are reminded to be careful when walking to and from school, especially on Riffington Place. Please use the sidewalk and do not walk down the middle of the road. We have had a few close calls and we want to keep everyone safe!



To our MBSS Community – Student Pick Up and Drop Off:

For student safety, if you are picking up your child, please arrange for pickup from an alternate location to ease traffic congestion. Also, please note that the sidewalk area, beside the portables, is reserved for SCHOOL BUS PICKUP &

DROP OFF ONLY! Here are 3 suggested areas to pick up or drop off students:

- 1. Royal Lepage/Jim Lind Arena
- 2. Riffington Place
- 3. Boucherie Ball Fields (along East Boundary Road)



Reminder to be respectful of our neighboring strata developments and others in the community (ie. not parking in designated handicap spots, etc). Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

GRADUATION



Please click on the link for the MBSS Grad 2026 Website: https://sites.google.com/learn.sd23.bc.ca/mbss-grad-2026/home

Important Grad Event Dates

*These dates are subject to change. For the most current information, students & parents should regularly check the Grad Events Google Classroom and the Bear Necessities daily announcements.

April 20 - Grad Banquet Assembly @ 9:00 am

Dec 11 - Winter Formal Dance May 16 – Grad Walk and Banquet

Jan 7-16 - Grad Photos with MountainWest May 28 – Grad Ceremony Assembly @ 9:00 am

March 2 – Grad Fees Due June 12-13 – Grad Ceremonies

All grads are responsible for keeping up with grad information which is posted in the Google Classroom or the Grad Webpage (link is on the MBSS homepage or above!).

COUNSELLING

PLANNING FOR POST-SECONDARY

-Okanagan College: Applications for Sept 2026 are now open! First apply, first accepted.

Scholarships, Bursaries, Entrance Awards:

The Terry Fox Humanitarian Award – Deadline: December 1, 2025. www.terryfoxawards.ca

University of Calgary - Prestige Awards - Deadline: December 1, 2025

https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/awards

The Indigenous Student Bursary – Deadline: December 15, 2025 www.ehfc.ca/bursaries-information

Writers of the Future Scholarships - Deadline: December 31, 2025

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10030/writers-of-the-future-scholarship

RBC Future Launch Scholarship - Deadline: December 31, 2025

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/27844/rbc-future-launch-scholarship

Walsh / Di Tolla / Spivak Scholarship - Deadline: December 31, 2025

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/32230/walsh-di-tolla-spivak-scholarship

Automotive Women's Association Scholarships - Deadline: January 16, 2026

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16466/automotive-womens-association-scholarships

Top International Scholarship @ University of Guelph - Apply by January 23, 2026 https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/finances-fees/vaccarino/

Scholarships for Canada's Best and Brightest Students @ University of Guelph – Deadline: January 23, 2026 https://www.uoquelph.ca/registrar/finances-fees/top-scholarships/

Kin Canada Bursaries - Deadline: February 1, 2026

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/26691/kin-canada-bursaries

Blue Ocean High School Entrepreneurship Competition - Deadline: February 22, 2026

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/19648/blue-ocean-high-school-entrepreneurship-competition

University of Calgary High School Awards - Deadline: March 1, 2026

https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/finances/awards

Kochhar & Co. Scholarship - Deadline: March 31, 2026

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18138/kochhar-co-scholarship

York University - \$1000-\$3500 automatic entrance scholarship-scan the QR Code on poster in Counselling

Capilano University - \$500-\$56,000 entrance awards. Deadline: March 31, 2026. More info in Counselling Ctr.

For all other scholarships: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarships

CAREER LIFE PROGRAMS



- Tattoo Artists (Rocky Mountain Tattoo), Dec 2, 10:30, CC
 - Fashion Design, Dec 4, 10:30, Career Centre
 - BC Emergency Health Services, Dec 16, 10:30, Library
 - BC Dragoons, Jan 8, 10:30, Library
 - Avaarc Welding, Jan 15, 10:30, Library
 - Social Worker, Jan 29, 10:30, Career Centre

CAPSTONE Presentation Information:

All First Semester Grade 12 English students will be presenting their Capstone on Dec 11, 2025.

Just to clarify — English 12 teachers are not required to provide class time for Capstone work. Your Capstone is an independent project that you are responsible for completing on your own.

All Grade 12 students in British Columbia are required to complete this project.

The reason we connect with students during English class is simply because it's the best way to reach the majority of our Grade 12 students.

If students need help getting started or have any questions about their Capstone, they can stop by the Career Centre anytime.

If students are unable to come in during school hours, they can email Mrs. Bedwell to arrange a time that works for them: ashley.bedwell@sd23.bc.ca

Work Experience Sign Up - For Grade 11 & 12's.

Do you have a job or are planning to get one this school year? Sign up for Work Experience Graduation Credits! Come to the Career Centre asap.

- Work 100 hours for 4 credits / Work 200 hours for 8 credits
- * You can sign up 2 different jobs.
- * You can sign up twice for one job (as long as you are doing two different things at that job) to gain 8 credits.
- * Looks great on your resume and university applications.

MOUNT BOUCHERIE SECONDARY SCHOOL

When you walk through the door you are a bear who is a valued part of our school community.

BELONGING

We belong here as bears who have opportunities for connection in classrooms, hallways, and in school communities.

EMPATRY

We build an understanding and sensitivity towards other bears by learning how to think beyond ourselves and recognize different perspectives and ways of knowing.

ACHIEVENENT

We are each accountable for our own learning and growth by putting our best paw forward.

RESILIENCY

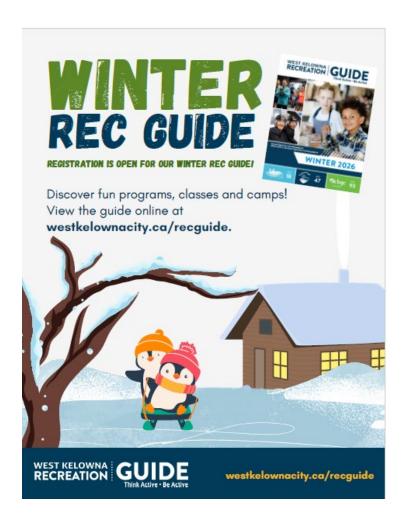
We can each accept and embrace everyday challenges to help learn from personal struggles and mistakes.

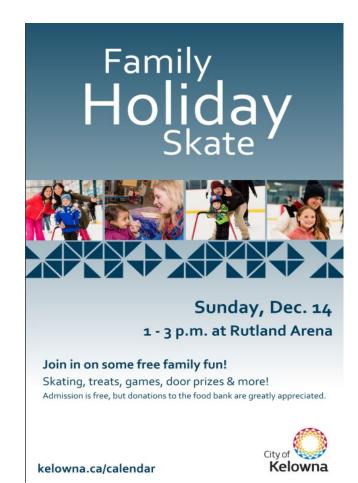
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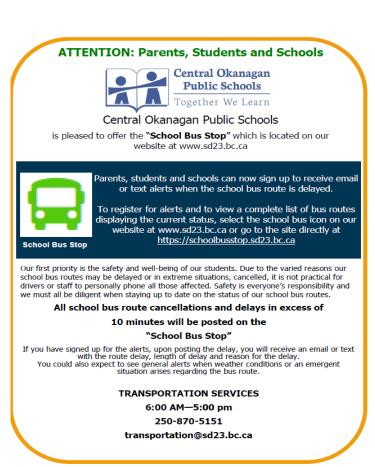
Each of us is a member of this community and plays a role in supporting others to experience safety and security.

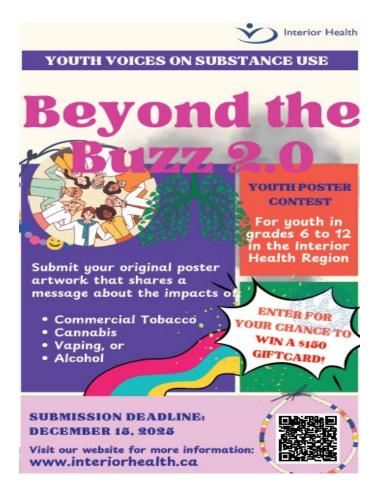
Mission Statement

We will do what we can to educate and support our students in realizing their unique and full potential, and in living purposeful lives.











Subject: Public Health Nurse Wellness Clinics in the School Settings

To students & their parents, guardians, or representatives:

As part of Interior Health (IH) - Central Okanagan's efforts to provide access to public health nursing (PHN) support and services, IH has been offering in-school PHN Wellness Clinics for all grades and clinics will continue until the end of the school year.

At the Wellness Clinics in the school, Public Health Nurses will be available to talk with students and answer any questions about public health nursing services, such as health and wellness promotion/disease prevention information, and resources. This is also a great opportunity for senior high school students to meet with a public health nurse to assess their immunization history and ensure they have all the necessary vaccinations before they graduate. Some post-secondary schools/training programs require immunization history prior to starting the program.

Additionally, based on information gleaned from the most recent 2023 McCreary Adolescent Survey indicating a growing concern from students regarding a variety of health-related topics, these in-school clinics will offer improved access for students to reach out to a health professional.

Checking immunization status:

Students and parents/guardians are encouraged to review their own immunization status. HealthGateway provides secure access to health records, including immunizations. Please visit:

https://www.healthgateway.gov.bc.ca/

COVID-19 or Influenza vaccines will not be offered or provided at these Wellness Clinics.

Mount Boucherie Secondary School, Mr. Cartwright and public health have identified the following days and times for PHN Wellness Clinics:

Thursdays from 11:45-1:00

If you have any questions, please contact Sharie Schwab; West Kelowna Health Unit; 250-980-5160

Thank you, Sharie Schwab, RN, BScN

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West Kelowna Health Centre
Interior Health

