



Bear Tracks

November 24-28, 2025

www.mbs.sd23.bc.ca

Instagram:

@mbssbears

@humansofboucherie

"Golden Age of Boucherie"

THIS WEEK

Nov 24 5/6-7/8	9:10 am – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey)
Nov 25 1/2-3/4	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to MNP Place Dome (Briker) 10:30 am – PSP #2 in the Library 12:30 pm – PSP #2 in the Library 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to MNP Place Dome (Briker)
Nov 26 5/6-7/8	12:30 pm – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz)
Nov 27 1/2-3/4	9 am – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz) 9 am – Culinary Arts 12 to Okanagan College (Byrne) 9 am – Careers 10-12 to UBCO (Bedwell, McParland) 9:10 am – Soccer Academy to MNP Place Dome (Briker) 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to MNP Place Dome (Briker) 2 pm – International Students going skating at Jim Lind Arena (Pendergast)
Nov 28 5/6-7/8	9 am – Comic Arts 10-12 to Innovation Centre (Ennig) 9:10 am – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey) 3:30 pm to 6 pm – Winter Market in the Ian Snow Gym (Leadership)

NEXT WEEK

Dec 1 3/4-1/2	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker) 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
Dec 2 7/8-5/6	9 am – Careers 10-12 to Okanagan College (Bedwell, McParland) 12:40 pm – Baseball Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Kirkey)
Dec 3 3/4-1/2	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to SpinCo (Briker) 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to West Kelowna Sports Dome (Briker)
Dec 4 7/8-5/6	12:30 pm – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz)
Dec 5 3/4-1/2	9 am – Law Studies 11/12 to Kelowna Law Courts (Schulz) 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)



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!

Attendance Matters



Student Parking Areas - 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.*

Nov 26 – Semester One Grad Assembly @ 9:00 am

April 20 – Grad Banquet Assembly @ 9:00 am

Dec 11 - Winter Formal Dance

May 16 – Grad Walk and Banquet

Jan 7-16 (tentative) - 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.uoguelph.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



- **TRU (Thompson Rivers University)**, Nov 25, 9:30, Career Centre
- **CATO (College for the Arts & Technology)**, Nov 26, 9:15, CC
 - **Trinity Western University**, Nov 27, 9 am, Career Centre
- **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

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.

EMPATHY

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

ACHIEVEMENT

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.

SAFETY

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

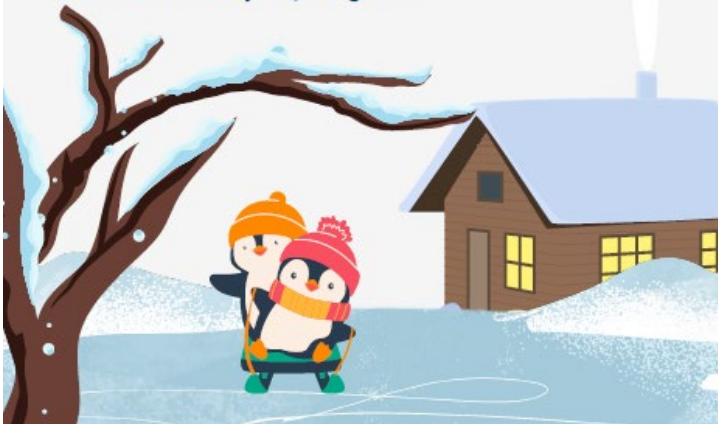
Mission Statement

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

WINTER REC GUIDE

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR OUR WINTER REC GUIDE!

Discover fun programs, classes and camps!
View the guide online at
westkelownacity.ca/recguide.



WEST KELOWNA RECREATION **GUIDE**
Think Active • Be Active

westkelownacity.ca/recguide

erase EXPECT RESPECT & A SAFE EDUCATION
Information for Parents and Caregivers

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.




BRITISH COLUMBIA Ministry of Education and Child Care

Interior Health

YOUTH VOICES ON SUBSTANCE USE

Beyond the Buzz 2.0

YOUTH POSTER CONTEST

For youth in grades 6 to 12 in the Interior Health Region

Submit your original poster artwork that shares a message about the impacts of:

- Commercial Tobacco
- Cannabis
- Vaping, or
- Alcohol

ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A \$150 GIFTCARD!

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15, 2025

Visit our website for more information:
www.interiorhealth.ca





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.

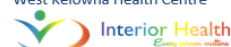
Mount Boucherie Secondary School, Mr. Cartwright and public health have identified the following days and times for PHN Wellness Clinics:

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

Public Health Nurse
West Kelowna Health Centre



ATTENTION: Parents, Students and Schools



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**
Together We Learn

Central Okanagan Public Schools

is pleased to offer the **"School Bus Stop"** which is located on our website at www.sd23.bc.ca



School Bus Stop

Parents, students and schools can now sign up to receive email or text alerts when the school bus route is delayed.

To register for alerts and to view a complete list of bus routes displaying the current status, select the school bus icon on our website at www.sd23.bc.ca or go to the site directly at <https://schoolbusstop.sd23.bc.ca>

Our first priority is the safety and well-being of our students. Due to the varied reasons our school bus routes may be delayed or in extreme situations, cancelled, it is not practical for drivers or staff to personally phone all those affected. Safety is everyone's responsibility and we must all be diligent when staying up to date on the status of our school bus routes.

**All school bus route cancellations and delays in excess of
10 minutes will be posted on the
"School Bus Stop"**

If you have signed up for the alerts, upon posting the delay, you will receive an email or text with the route delay, length of delay and reason for the delay.

You could also expect to see general alerts when weather conditions or an emergent situation arises regarding the bus route.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

6:00 AM—5:00 pm

250-870-5151

transportation@sd23.bc.ca

STAY INFORMED ON BUS ROUTE DELAYS—SIGN UP TODAY!

Visit JAPAN Spring 2026

ONLY 5 SPOTS REMAIN

 **Scan to enrol & for tour info**
<https://www.eftours.ca/tour-website/2750090JU>

EF EDUCATIONAL TOURS

- Contact Ms. Brenda Gallagher at brenda.gallagher@sd23.bc.ca
- Enjoy 9 days in Japan in March 2026
- Visit Tokyo, Kyoto, Osaka, Hiroshima, & more!
- Flights, transportation, hotel, & 2 meals per day included.