



Bear Tracks

April 13-17, 2026

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 @mbssbears
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"Golden Age of Boucherie"

This Week

Apr 13 3/4-1/2	12:40 pm – Mountain Biking to Smith Creek (Green)
Apr 14 7/8-5/6	9:10 am – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker) 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker) 3:15 pm – Track Team to Apple Bowl (McIlmoyle, Massey, Strinholm)
Apr 15 3/4-1/2	8 am – Girls Soccer Team to Victoria (Briker, Hegberg) – April 15-17
Apr 16 7/8-5/6	Term 3 Ends 8 am – Jazz Combo and Bands 9-12 to BC Interior Jazz Festival at KCT (Perry, Friesen) 9:10 am – Mountain Biking to Smith Creek (Green) 9:10 am – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker) 12:40 pm – Soccer Academy to MNP Place (Briker)
Apr 17 3/4-1/2	Term 4 Begins 7 am – Choir and Vocal Jazz 9-12 to BC Interior Jazz Festival (Perry, Friesen) 12:30 pm - Culinary Arts 12 to UBCO (Edstrom) 12:35 pm – Career Life 10 to Paynter’s Fruit Market (Gallagher) 12:40 pm – Mountain Biking to Smith Creek (Green)

Next Week – Gr 10 Numeracy/Literacy Assessments & Gr 12 Literacy Assessments

Apr 20 5/6-7/8	12:40 pm – Leadership to Helen’s Acres Community Farm (Groat, Marshall) 6:30 pm – PAC Meeting in the Library
Apr 21 1/2-3/4	9:15 am – Gr 9 Concert Band to Windscares Festival at GESS (Friesen) 3:15 pm – Track Team to Apple Bowl (McIlmoyle, Massey, Strinholm) 6:30 pm - Spring Drama Production “The Alibis” running April 21-24 (see poster next page)
Apr 22 5/6-7/8	9:05 am – Gr 10-12 Concert Band to Windscares Festival at GESS (Friesen, Perry) 10:30 am – Post Secondary Prep #3 in the Library (Updates, Course Planning, Course Registration)
Apr 23 1/2-3/4	9 am – Gr 9 Immunizations in the Ian Snow Gym
Apr 24 5/6-7/8	

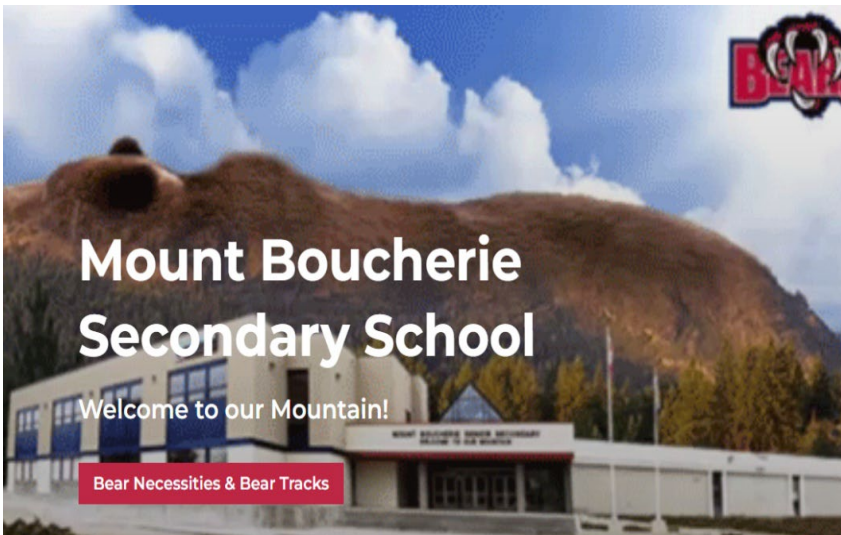
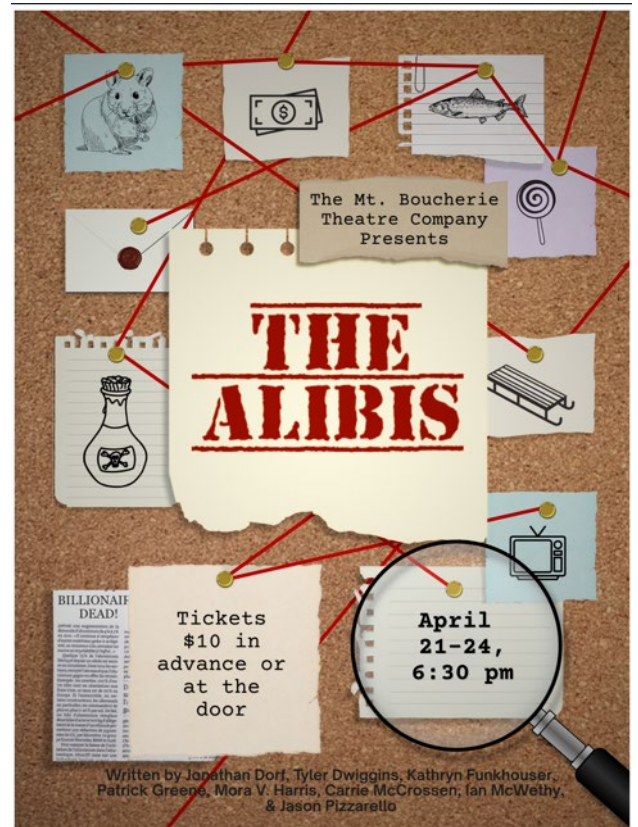


MBSS Sports Teams Schedules: **Athletics - Central Okanagan Public Schools**

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

Get ready for an evening of mystery, laughs, and unexpected twists! Theatre Company proudly presents *The Alibis* — a fast-paced murder-mystery comedy that will keep you guessing until the very end. Tickets are on sale now for just \$10. Available at the MPR at lunch (cash or tap) or at the door. The show runs Show April 21–24 at 6:30pm. Get your tickets before they're gone!



Read our daily announcements "Bear Necessities" and our weekly newsletter "Bear Tracks" on our website!

Peer Tutoring for Students!

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



Students are not permitted to order food (Door Dash, Dominos, SkiptheDishes, etc.) to the school as it often arrives during class time and disrupts learning. A parent/guardian may choose to deliver or drop off food for their child to be picked up in the office at lunchtime.

As an alternative, MBSS has food options available for students to purchase such as our **School Store "The Cave"** and our **Global Village Café** which offer a variety of food and beverage items – and are open during morning/afternoon breaks and during lunchtime. Also available is our **Breakfast Program** which operates every morning from 7:45 am to 8:45 am in the MPR.



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!



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.*

April 20 – Grad Banquet Assembly @ 9:00 am

May 28 – Grad Ceremony Assembly @ 9:00 am

May 16 – Grad Walk and Banquet

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!).

**See information for *Dry Grad Events*
at the end of this newsletter.**

COUNSELLING

PLANNING FOR POST-SECONDARY

Okanagan College: Apply now for Sept 2026! First apply, first accepted.

Current Scholarship Opportunities

Check Google Classroom often for scholarship updates!

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarships>

okanagacollege.ca/awards

scholartree.ca

CAREER LIFE PROGRAMS

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! In 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.



Career Spotlights Sessions!

- Construction (OC College) – Apr 21, 9:15, Libr
- Plumbing-OC College - April 23, 10:30, Library
- Structural Engineering - April 28, 2:00, Library
- Aviation – April 30, 2:00, Library
- HVAC – May 7, 2pm, Library
- Massage-May 13, 10:30, Career Centre



Sprott Shaw College: Apr 14, 9am, Career Ctr

Mount Royal University: Apr 15, 2pm, Career Ctr

University of Calgary: Apr 16, 9 am, Career Ctr

University of Lethbridge: Apr 29, 9am, Career Ctr

MacEwan University – May 5, 2 pm, Career Centre

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.

Do you have bottles/cans/milk cartons/jugs you want to get rid
of?

West Kelowna Minor Football Association

and

The Mount Boucherie Bears Secondary

will be in your area

on Saturday, April 11th,

8:30AM - 1PM,

to raise money for our 2026-2027 season.



Players will be knocking on doors, or if you prefer to leave them
on your curb or doorstep, please mark the bags with MBSS.

Please leave out your bottles ready for pickup
Saturday morning by 8 AM (April 11th)

Alternatively, if you wish to stop by and drop off your bottles, we
will be at MBSS sorting bottles on April 11th. Drive up through
the bus loop and we will help you unload.

Thank you for supporting our MBSS Bears Football Program
and
West Kelowna Minor Football Association. GO BEARS!!!

Dry Grad – Saturday, May 30th

Dry Grad is not a school-sanctioned event; it is fully organized by parent volunteers and supported by generous community donors. We have been busy meeting, fundraising and planning since September!

1. Tickets on Sale NOW for our final fundraiser event!!

TRAIN WRECK COMEDY NIGHT – April 25th at Shannon Lake Golf Course get your tickets early! \$40 Purchase online here...<https://www.trainwreckcomedy.com/tc-events/mount-boucherie-ss-dry-grad-fundraiser/>

2. Ways to Contribute

Families can support Dry Grad in many ways – through time, auction items or financial contributions. For those who aren't able to help in other ways and prefer to donate funds directly, please direct donations to:

- E-Transfer: mbss.grad.committee@gmail.com

3. Return-It Express Donations

A simple way to support Dry Grad is by donating your Return-It refunds. It's quick and requires no sorting:

- Bag your empties in a clear or blue bag
- Take them to any Return-It Express machine
- **Enter our code 250.470.7586**
- Print the label and attach it to your bag
- Drop and go-no counting or sorting!!

If you have any questions or if you have some great ideas, donations or offers of time, please direct them to mbss.grad.committee@gmail.com.

Our parent-volunteer team is happy to connect.

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!



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



UBCO HEAT

— SPORT CAMPS —



UBC Okanagan Summer Sport Camps
Registration now open!

Visit GoHeat.ca/Camps

Kelowna BMX OPEN House

SATURDAY APRIL 11th

RACING @ 12pm
ALL FIRST TIME RIDERS TRACK FOR FUN!

DATE April 11th, 2026
DAY Saturday
TIME 10am-11:30am Open House + Racing @ 12:00pm
WHO Current Riders, New Riders, EVERYONE!
WHERE Kelowna BMX Track, 645 Dodd Road

DETAILS

Come check out what BMX is all about!
Bring your bike to ride the track, learn about the club, and check out the bike and gear swap.
Stick around in the afternoon to watch or join in on some BMX racing, grab some pizza and win some prizes.

New & Want to Race?
Get a membership or FRI in the 1 day trial waiver.

Riders need:

- bike & helmet (all bikes welcome)
- closed toed shoes
- long sleeve shirts, full length pants or knee/elbow pads.

EXPLORE France & Spain

Spring 2027!



"Paris to the Pyrenees"
Scan for tour info
or visit <https://www.ef-tours.ca/tour-website/27979697P>

- Enjoy 10 days in France & Spain with EF Tours, a leader in student travel & education for over 50 years.
- Visit Paris, the Loire Valley, Bordeaux, The Basque Coast, San Sebastian, Pamplona, & Barcelona.
- Experience the culture of France & Spain through their language, food, art, architecture, & history.

