



School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)

KVR

Middle School/École Intermédiaire

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Administrator's Message

April was another busy month here at KVR... and we know that May and June are going to be even busier! We are looking forward to nicer weather as we forge ahead towards the end of the year.

We have already begun our transition activities here at KVR. We will be meeting our incoming Grade 6s and their parents in the first week of May. We are very excited to meet and welcome these new members of our community.

Our teachers have also been very busy organizing exciting year end events and activities for our students. We do want to remind everyone that, even though we are nearing the end of the year, it is important to keep focused and finish strong.

Parents are encouraged to contact their child's classroom teacher(s) if they have any questions or concerns.

- **Mr. Steve DeVito and Mrs. Michelle Glibbery**

PAC

Reminder to all parents that our PAC meets every second Wednesday of the month, in the KVR library, at 6:00. The next meeting will occur on **May 8th**. Upcoming PAC Meetings: and **June 12th**.



This is official notice of the KVR Parent's Advisory Council Annual General Meeting and a call for nominations for next year's Executive. The meeting will be held on June 12th at 6:00pm in the school library. All parents are invited to attend.

Handicapped Parking - Reminder



Parents who drop off students in our main parking lot are reminded to not misuse our two reserved handicapped parking spots. Please be considerate towards those members of our community for whom those spots are there.

Gauss Math Contest

On May 15th, approximately 25 grade 7 and 40 grade 8 students will be competing in the Gauss math contest. This is a Canada-wide contest put on by the University of Waterloo. Good luck to all participants!

Spring Sports

The Spring Athletics season has begun at KVR! Currently, we are offering rugby to interested students in Grades 7 and 8. The team has already participated in one Jamboree, and have two more coming up.



Track and Field athletes will be starting to get prepared for the Middle School District Track Meet. Sign up will be happening and students are encouraged to read the bulletin board and listen to announcements for the events that they are interested in.

KVR Band Performs at 2019 BC Interior Jazz Festival

The KVR Middle School jazz bands, under the direction of Stan Sabourin, again had a good showing at this year's B.C. Interior Jazz Festival. The school's Jazz Express big band and combo, "Railway Jazz," performed on Thursday April 11th. The Jazz Express received a Silver rating for their efforts, and the Railway jazz combo received a Gold rating and an invitation to return on Saturday evening to perform in front of a large audience at the festival's student showcase concert. A number of students were recognized by the festival for their outstanding musical contributions and will be recognized at our year end concert on June 3rd.

District Track Meet

The Middle School Track Meet will be held on Thursday, June 6th (with a few preliminary events held on the days prior to the track meet). This is an all-day event where student athletes compete in the events that they have been training for. There will be a concession stand for refreshments. Participants are reminded to wear hats and sun screen and their KVR t-shirts. Parents are welcome to come out and support our athletes but **are reminded not to park in the Pen High parking lot**. This will be monitored and vehicles without the appropriate passes may be subject to being towed.

Yearbooks

The yearbook class has been working hard, and has submitted the final copy to the printers. The books should be arriving the week before "I" Days. There will be announcements as to the protocol of picking up yearbooks that have been ordered. A special thank you to Dakota, Kaidyn, Aspen, Connor, Amy, Harper, Tessa, Mykenna, Addie, Ethan, Jack, Elijah, and Zander for putting forth their best efforts to make a quality book that encompasses all the memories created at KVR.

Dropping Off , Picking Up, and Idling Cars

Parents are reminded that the area directly in front of KVR on Jermyn Ave. is a 'no-stopping zone'. Please do not stop to drop your child off in this area. It is not safe to do so. It creates a blind spot when cars try to get by and this creates an unsafe situation for students in our crosswalk. RCMP do monitor this and will ticket violators. Please plan a suitable drop off/pick up location out of this zone. Also, there have been many complaints about idling vehicles waiting to pick up students from KVR. If you are waiting in your vehicle please turn your engine off to help reduce emissions.



Planning for the 2019-20 School Year

Believe it or not we are already planning for September 2019! Please let the school know if your child will **not** be returning to KVR Middle School for the next school year. Also, you could assist us by informing anyone you know who will be moving to the KVR catchment area to register their child now.

Our teachers are beginning the process of planning class placements for next year. Please keep in mind that we see your child every day in this learning environment and, as professional educators, place students where we feel they are best able to learn and succeed. We hope you are able to trust and respect our decisions. If you have suggestions around the specific learning needs of your child, please discuss with their current teacher. Thank you for not putting in requests for specific teachers. We anticipate all class lists will be completed by mid-June.

PAC Fundraiser



We continue to participate in the 'Dough Raiser Program' with COBS Bread Riverside Village which enables us to raise money for KVR Middle School throughout the year! Be sure to mention KVR Middle School each time you make a purchase at COBS Bread Riverside Village; they will donate 5% of your purchase back to our school's PAC.

Registration for busing – Important information

School District 67 has moved to an online bus registration system that can be found at <http://www.sd67.bc.ca/Parents/BusReg>. You must fill out a registration form in order for your child to ride the bus for the 2019-2020 school year. Students who have registered will receive a bus pass with their assigned stops. Late registrants will be placed based on available space.

Your student number is required for registration. If you do not know your student number, please check your child's report card or contact the school. If you do not have access to online registration, please go to the District Maintenance Office to register in person, at 1295 Commercial Way.




KVR Rocks Kindness

Students and staff who have joined our KVR community this year will have an opportunity to create a tile to add to our existing #KVRocksKindness display! Thank you to Home Hardware Building Centre for another generous donation this year to keep the kindness flowing! The display can be viewed and appreciated in the hallway near the main entrance of KVR. A big thank you to our EA Mary Hennig and student Lex for making this positive project possible!

Mental Health Literacy Resource of the Month

www.actionforhappiness.org

Action for Happiness is a movement of people committed to building a happier and more caring society. They want to see a fundamentally different way of life – where people care less about what they can get just for themselves and more about the happiness of others. The website includes keys to happier living, ideas on how to make a positive difference, and resources for parents, students, and schools.



MIDDLE SUMMER SCHOOL 2019!

As you make plans for your summer, please remember that Summer School is a fantastic opportunity for students to strengthen the learning that has occurred over the past 10 months. Summer School for Middle School students is designed to provide remedial support to students who received a failing grade in the areas of English, Social Studies, Science or Math. These courses are not intended to replace a full course, but rather to provide extra instruction and support. All courses are taught by fully qualified School District No. 67 teachers and are designed to cover provincial learning outcomes in a variety of subjects. Students who have participated in Summer School in the past have enjoyed the time they have spent and felt good about what they have learned.

Summer School courses will be funded by the Ministry of Education and School District No. 67.

Please note: Registration will now require a teacher referral as well as teacher/principal signature confirmation.

Important Information:

- I. New Location: KVR Middle School – 300 Jermyrn Avenue, Penticton
- II. Dates: Monday, July 8th to Wednesday, July 17th.
- III. School Hours: 8:30am-1:30pm. Students will receive a 10-minute morning break and a 20-minute lunch break.
- IV. Attendance: Students must attend **all day, every day** in order to participate in the Summer School Program.
- V. Supplies: Basic School Supplies are required (pencil, pen, paper, binder). It is recommended that students have a jump drive so that they can save their work. Regular school student accounts will not be accessible at Summer School.

Course information and registration forms will be available at your child's school and on the district website at www.sd67.bc.ca. Please register at your child's school before the registration deadline of **June 28th** for Middle School students.

Hope to see you this summer!

Mrs. Michelle Glibbery
Summer School Principal
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SUMMERLAND HEALTH & WELLNESS SERIES

Please join us on Tuesday, May 14th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at Centre Stage Theatre in Summerland for our screening of

LIKE

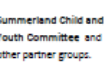




A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT THE IMPACT OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON OUR LIVES
followed by a moderated discussion on social media and youth.

ABOUT THE FILM

LIKE explores the impact of social media on our lives. Technology is a tool. It's here to stay and social platforms are a place to connect, share and care, but what's really happening? Are we addicted? How do we stop? Where do we start? What do we need to know? By understanding the effects of technology and social media on the brain, on our lives and on our civilization, we can learn how to navigate it more safely together.

The goal of this film is to inspire people of all ages, especially kids, to self regulate. It's not about blame. It's about looking in the mirror and empowering ourselves to create balance in our lives and to learn to be there for each other.

The target audience is students, parents and other interested community members.
This is a **free event** and no **preregistration** is required.
Support for this series has been provided by the following organizations:



Canadian Parents for French



WE NEED YOU!

Your local Canadian Parents for French (CPF) Chapter is hard at work providing school trips, bursaries, scholarships, classroom resources and activities to enhance French learning for our French Immersion and Core French students.

But we need your support...we are in jeopardy of closing this Chapter without more help!!

Minimal time commitment, meet really fun people and enhance your kid's French learning experience.

Come out and see what we are all about...no French skills required

Our AGM meeting is

Tuesday May 14th, 7PM in the Summerland Middle School Library

We will be electing a President, Treasurer and Secretary as well as setting our budget for next year

Everyone welcome! Please join us!

Any questions?

Email us at cpfokanganskaha@gmail.com

Upcoming Dates to Remember!

- **May 3rd– Professional Development Day.... No school for students**
- **May 6th ... Gr. 6 and ‘Catch up’ Immunizations**
- **May 8th PAC Meeting**
- **May 8th – 10th Gr. 8 Band Trip to Edmonton**
- **May 13th Gr. 6 Swim day – Respectfully requesting more chaperones for each division.**
- **May 15th Gauss Math Contest**
- **May 17th – KVRs Got Talent!**
- **May 20th – Victoria Day – schools closed**
- **June 3rd – Year End Band Concert / Fine Arts Night**
- **June 6th - District Track Meet**
- **June 10th – Grade 8s to ‘Energyplex’**
- **June 17th Gr. 6 Swim day – Respectfully requesting more chaperones for each division.**
- **June 24th – Grade 6s to Loco Landing**
- **June 25th & 26th ‘I Days’**
- **June 26th Gr. 8 Dinner Dance**
- **June 27th Year End Awards / Gr. 8 Leaving ceremony**



Remember to “Like” us on Facebook for updates and information about upcoming events at KVR Middle School.