



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT AME?



Important School Dates

Monday, April 20

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Tuesday, April 21

- Hot Lunch: Sunshine Market/Jugo Juice
- Running Club @ lunch

Wednesday, April 22

- Bus Driver Appreciation Day!
- Recycling Presentation - Mac/Montgomery

Thursday, April 23

- Hot Lunch: Freshbox Sushi
- ELFF Event @ 4:00
- Battle of the Books Competition

Friday, April 24

- Running Club @ lunch

Upcoming:

April 27 - Fire Drill

April 28 - Field Trip: Bothe/Szewczyk

April 29: Class Photo Day

April 30 - Field Trip: Chow/Jurome

May 4 - Cultural Performance @ 12:30

May 8 - PAC Flower Fundraiser Pick Up

May 14 - Apple Bowl Track Meet (Gr. 4&5)

May 18 - NO SCHOOL Happy Victoria Day!

Year End Inflatables Day!

Get ready for one of the most anticipated events of the year and one of our Timberwolves' favourite: **Year-End Inflatables Day!** This exciting celebration is a highlight for students and a fun way to wrap up the school year with energy and laughter.

This year, we will once again be bringing in a variety of inflatable activities for students to enjoy. To help cover the cost of rentals and setup, there will be a **\$10 fee per student added to school cash online**.

We appreciate your support in making this memorable experience possible for everyone.

More details about the date and schedule will be shared soon. We can't wait to see our Timberwolves bouncing into summer with big smiles!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anne McClymont Elementary School
 School District #23
 (Central Okanagan Public School)
 2026-2027 Calendar

Days in session:	189 (3 summer Pro Days August)
Number of days of instruction	182
Total number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open (8:30 am – 11:00 am) Early Dismissal	Tuesday, September 8
Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal 12:30 pm)	Thursday, September 24
Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal 12:30 pm)	Friday, September 25
National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (school closed)	Wednesday, September 30
Administrative Implementation Day (students do not attend)	Friday, October 9
Thanksgiving Day (school closed)	Monday, October 12
Teacher Professional Day (students do not attend school)	Friday, October 23
Remembrance Day (school closed)	Wednesday, November 11
Winter Vacation Period (schools closed)	Monday, December 21 – Friday, January 1
Statutory Holiday (schools closed)	Friday, January 1
Schools re-open after Winter Vacation	Monday, January 4
Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 12:30 pm)	Thursday, February 4
Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal at 12:30 pm)	Friday, February 5
Teacher Professional Day (students do not attend)	Friday, February 12
Family Day (school closed)	Monday, February 15
Spring Vacation Period (schools closed)	Monday, March 15 – Thursday, March 25
Schools re-open after Spring Vacation	Tuesday, March 30
Good Friday (school closed)	Friday, March 26
Easter Monday (school closed)	Monday, March 29
Victoria Day (school closed)	Monday, May 24
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Wednesday, June 30

Bell Schedule

8:25 am	Warning bell
8:30 am	Classes begin
11:10 am	Lunch recess bell
11:35 am	Lunch transition bell
12:00 pm	Warning bell
12:05 pm	Classes begin
1:30-1:45 pm	Recess
2:30 pm	Dismissal bell

Early Dismissal Days

Sept 8	11:00 am dismissal
Sept 24	12:30 pm dismissal
Sept 25	12:30 pm dismissal
Feb 4	12:30 pm dismissal
Feb 5	12:30 pm dismissal

PAC NEWS

REMINDERS!

Spring Hanging Basket Fundraiser: Ordering closes April 24! Order on Munchalunch.

Hot Lunch Volunteers: Please sign up for May 14 if you can! We need help!
Hot Lunch Sign up

Fun Fair Donations: Please consider donating your gently used toys, games, puzzles and books for the Fun Fair prize room. Donation boxes are in the school lobby!

COPAC INFORMATION

Parent Engagement Session - April 22

The Ministry of Education is hosting a virtual session for parents and caregivers on **April 22, 7:00-8:30 PM (Zoom)** to gather feedback on how schools share information (e.g., report cards, communication, attendance, updates).

Input will help improve digital tools for families across B.C. For more information please visit:
https://bccpac.bc.ca/images/Events/260422_ECC_Parent_Engagement_Session.pdf

To participate: Email myedbc@gov.bc.ca with your name, email, and school district. Spaces are limited (first come, first serve).

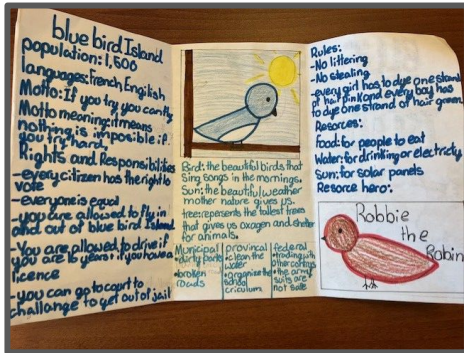
Board Policy Committee Meeting

The School Board has been pursuing changes to their list of Board Policies with items on the Board Policy Committee meeting agenda packages November 5, January 14 and March 4. (Packages can be found <https://pub-sd23.escribemeetings.com/?Year=2026>) The School Board has now shared a Public Notice: Board Policy Manual Modernization - Phase I, with a list of proposed policies that will remain as Board policies and a list of those that will be moved into administrative procedures. Find the information here:

<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/news/board-policy-manual-modernization-phase-1-20260410205652>

TEACHER FEATURE

From Comics to Core Systems: Mrs. Kroschinsky & Mrs. Dawsons' Grade 5 Class Explores Stories, Stomachs & Society!

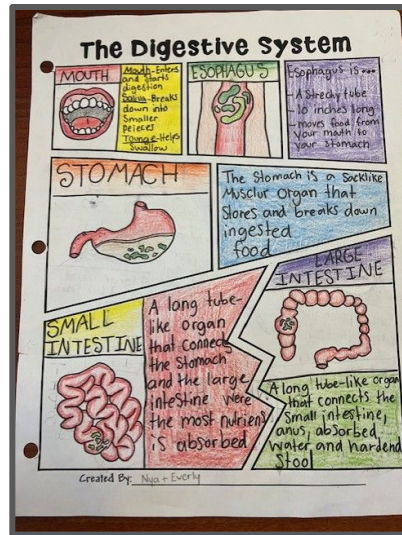


Social Studies

By Isla



In Social Studies we are doing an exciting project about the government. We invented our own island in Canada and made all of the rules, resources, and flag. After all our planning we made a beautiful brochure with all the information about our land. Before we did all this we learned about rights and responsibilities. Also about the municipal, provincial, and federal government and what each one does for our country. We also made a 'rights' poster. We learned a lot about the government and all the rules about our country.



Science

By Everly & Nya

For science we were learning about the journey through the digestive system and for this subject we were doing a project for it and making a comic with bold colour and exciting facts along the way. Through this project there was lots of laughter and it is a very fun way to learn

Graphic Novel Project

Our Grade 5 class has been having a great time working on a graphic novel project with Mrs. Umeris in the library. We started by looking at a variety of mentor texts to see how authors and illustrators tell stories using both pictures and words. Using what they learned, students have begun planning their own graphic novels, thinking about their characters, plot, and how to bring their ideas to life on the page. It's been a fun and creative way to build storytelling skills!



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

City of Kelowna Summer Camp Registration

Looking for fun and engaging activities for your child this summer? The City of Kelowna's summer camps are open on April 23rd for registration! Camps run throughout July and August for children ages 3-15 and include full-day, half-day, and partial-day options. This year's lineup features a wide variety of themes such as sports, cooking, art, drama, and more—plus new cooking and leadership camps. Learn more and explore the full [2026 Summer Camps Guide](https://kelowna.ca/recreation) at kelowna.ca/recreation.

KINDERGARTEN

Health & Wellness Event

Is your child due for their 4-6 year old immunizations?

Public Health Nurses invite you to book into our Kindergarten Health and Wellness Event.



Guessing game!



Treasure box!



Colouring contest!

Book by appointment:
250-469-7070 ext 13301

Don't have an appointment? That's fine! You can still come by to meet our nurses, ask about public health services, or arrange another time for your child. All families are encouraged to attend—even if your immunizations are current.



May 28, 2026 • 9 to 11:30 am, 1 to 4:00 pm

Kelowna Community Health and Services Centre, 505 Doyle Ave

UBCO HEAT

— SPORT CAMPS —



UBC Okanagan Summer Sport Camps
Registration now open!

Visit GoHeat.ca/Camps

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Summer Camp Registration Now Open!

Take your STEM learning beyond the classroom!

Join our action-packed, hands-on summer day camps to explore the wonderful worlds of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math! Build, explore, and design through our camps' interactive sessions.

All of our summer camps are taught by passionate, subject area expert university students and meticulously designed to tap into core foundational knowledge and speak to young curious minds.

Dive into Coding, innovate in unique environments like our All Girls* camps, and more! Each week is a dynamic mix of hands-on activities, demonstrations, tours, mentors, and design challenges.

Limited bursaries available. Please scan the QR code to learn more.

A Glimpse of Geering Up Camps

- Weekly programming from June 29th to September 3rd, 2026
- 9AM - 3PM (Before/After Care options available)
- UBC Okanagan, Kelowna Campus
- Grade Levels: 1-12 (Program themes vary)

Register Today!



For more info, visit:
bit.ly/kelownacamps



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Fun, friendship, and new experiences start here.

Our recreation programs give children and youth a safe, welcoming place to spend time after school, on weekends, and in the evenings.

Participants can build friendships, connect with positive role models, learn new skills, and explore a wide variety of activities from arts and crafts, out-trips, culinary skills, STEM activities, to sports games and more!

Enderby
Falkland
Kelowna
Lake Country
Lavington
Peachland
Vernon
West Kelowna

AGES 7-13



REGISTER TODAY

www.bgco.ca



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**COPAC
PRESENTS**

**HANNAH
BEACH**

FREE VIRTUAL

PARENT EDUCATION EVENT

MAY 6 - 7PM

**MEETING REGISTRATION LINK WILL BE SHARED
VIA SCHOOLMESSENGER**

CELLPHONES: WHAT'S HEALTHY, WHAT'S NOT, AND WHAT WE CAN DO TO SUPPORT OUR KIDS

Many of our kids are anxious and glued to their phones, seeking endless distraction and feeling isolated and disconnected. Aggressive outbursts have become common and yet others seem to have stopped talking altogether. As parents and caregivers, we are increasingly alarmed. We entice, cajole, bribe, encourage, shout, but nothing seems to work long term.

Is technology bad? Absolutely not—it's wonderful and has brought us so many gifts. But the invention of devices that travel with kids has also greatly shifted childhood and adolescence, affecting their learning, relationships, and emotional health.

Is change impossible? No ... in fact we are seeing a groundswell of change percolating across the world! Although we may personally not be able to change the culture at large, there is much we can do to shift our family and school cultures so that we can support our kids to truly discover their best selves. Small changes can have big effects.

Join Hannah for a warm and conversational workshop exploring practical strategies we can use to help our children and youth when it comes to managing devices. This conversation has never been more important as we look at how we can support our children and youth to grow, learn, develop, and reach their fullest potential

Note: Also helpful for families who have not yet given their children a device and are trying to make some decisions regarding if, when, and how they do this!



Hannah Beach is an award-winning educator, author, emotional health consultant, and keynote speaker who speaks about the power of relationship and play worldwide. She is the co-author of the best-selling book *Reclaiming Our Students: Why Children Are More Anxious, Aggressive, and Shut-Down than Ever—and What We Can Do About It*, with Tamara Neufeld Strijack, which has been adopted by school boards across Canada. She was recognized by the Canadian Human Rights Commission in 2017 as one of five featured changemakers in Canada. Her bestselling *I Can Dance* book series, won a 2017 Gold International Moonbeam Children's Book Award.

Hannah delivers professional development services across the globe, provides emotional health consulting to schools and community based programs, and speaks at conferences about the power of relationship and play. Hannah is an emotional health and play-based learning consultant for Britannica Education, where she develops courses which are facilitated by the Britannica Education team.