

FKSS WEEK AT A GLANCE – January 15-19, 2024



Monday, Jan 15 Day 2, ABCD	Tues, Jan 16 Day 1, BADC	Wed, Jan 17 Day 2, QCDAB	Thursday, Jan 18 Day 1, DCBA	Friday, Jan 19 Day 2, ABCD
-Gr 10 & 12 assessments this week. - Whistler trip meeting.	-Sr. Girls' Basketball game. - Gr 8 Boys' Basketball game. -Sr. Whalers hockey game. -PAC Mtg 6pm in Library.	-School Nurse in. - Q block (Careers) today.	-Musical Theatre show starts tonight.	-Jr Whalers hockey game.

JANUARY DATES:

Jan 15-26 – Grade 10 and 12 Assessments

Tuesday, Jan 16 – Parent Advisory Council meeting 6:00 PM in the library

Wednesday, Jan 24 – 2-hour early dismissal

Thursday, Jan 25 – Last Day of Semester 1

Friday, Jan 26 – Completion Day (students can come in if they have assignments to finish up)

Monday, Jan 29 – First day of Semester 2

GENERAL INFORMATION:

VIRTUAL PRESENTATION: Establishing Respectful Relationships and Consent in Our Communities

Students in Grades 9 through 12, district-wide, will be watching a virtual presentation by provincial organization Safer Schools Together. Students will watch this presentation with their C block teachers one day next week (the teacher will determine which day will work best for the class).

In this session, the topics of consent and the dynamics of gender-based violence are explored. The Safer Schools trainers present information on the current state of gender relations in both the physical and digital landscapes as well as the potential for exploitation within these relationships. Throughout the session, Safer Schools trainers provide students with tips and tools to help them navigate and grow in these environments.

The presentations are one hour Zoom sessions that are designed for classes or groups of classes. A suggestion to have 20-30 minutes post presentation for teacher lead discussion with the class group and that school Counsellors are involved in the planning.

Safer Schools Together is a partner agency of the BC Ministry of Education and Childcare as they provide both prevention and educational services to schools.

Students will learn:

- What defines consent?
- The dynamics of gender-based violence
- An overview of worrisome content and how to manage exposure on popular social media and gaming platforms
- The different types of bullying and cyberbullying relationships
- The consequences of sending/receiving intimate images and videos
- The pathway to sextortion and human trafficking. Important signs to look for
- The importance of checking in on our mental health and strategies for success
- An anonymous student reporting tool that can help you and your friends stay safe both online and offline

For Parents/Guardians:

Safer Schools offered this session for Parents/Guardians via Zoom in November and will again be offering sessions in January and February 2024. Please see the Safer Schools website for more information and we will also email out links once the times are set for 2024.

<https://saferschoolstogether.com/>

Our Literacy Assessments are starting on Monday January 15th, 2024. Here is the schedule. Student's names are posted on the student information board. If their name is not shown, it means they will write at another time.

	Monday Jan 15	Tuesday Jan 16	Wednesday Jan 17	Thursday Jan 18	Friday Jan 19
9:15 – 12:15	Grade 12	Grade 12	No assessments	Grade 12	Grade 12
	Monday Jan 22	Tuesday Jan 23	Wednesday Jan 24	Thursday Jan 25	Friday Jan 26
9:15 – 12:15	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	No assessments



Tickets are on sale for the Musical Theatre academies production of Once Upon a Mattress (Jan 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27). Tickets can be purchased at lunch outside the main office, or at Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/frances-kelsey-theatre-presents-once-upon-a-mattress-tickets-771574559277?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete>

FKSS Dance show on Tuesday January 23rd at 6:30pm. Admission is by donation and doors open at 6:00pm.

Rainbow Club Yearbook Photo on Monday, January 15th at lunch. All students and teacher sponsors are needed. Rm 127.

Sibling or family member yearbook photos Thursday, January 18th during C block. Please obtain your teachers permission.

SPORTS

The Senior Girls Basketball team won on Tuesday 43-29 against Queen Margaret's School. Their next game is Tuesday at Nanaimo Christian School.

Grade 8 boys' basketball have a game Tuesday, Jan 16 at Duncan Christian. Meet in the dome at 2:20 PM. Bus leaves at 2:30.

🏒🏒 SENIOR WHALERS 🏒🏒 Senior Whalers hockey team play on Tuesday, Jan 16th at Kerry Park versus Brentwood College school. Puck drop at 2pm. Only students that go over with their class teachers are allowed to attend.

Monday, January 15th. Everyone who has signed up for the Whistler ski and snowboard trip: We have a mandatory meeting in Mr. Niessen's room (210) at the start of lunch.

CAREERS NEWS

Students that are starting TASK second semester, please attend the TASK information meeting on Monday Jan. 15 @ 9:15 am, A block, in Rm. 136.

DUAL CREDIT

Career website: <https://www.careersandtransitions.ca/>

TASK 2024-2025 School Year

Trades Awareness, Skills & Knowledge (TASK)

If you're interested in a career in trades, TASK will help you make an informed decision about which trade would be the best fit for you.

Explore four trade areas: carpentry, electrical, metal trades and plumbing—while gaining practical skills and certifications that all employers are looking for. You'll finish up with valuable work experience at a local job site.

CERTIFICATE AND TRADES PROGRAMS

We are accepting applications for the following Trades Programs for September 2024:

- Administrative Assistant
- Automotive Level 1 & Foundations
- Carpentry Level 1 & Foundations
- Culinary
- Dental Assistant
- Educational Assistant
- Electrical Level 1 & Foundations
- Fine Furniture Foundations
- Hairdressing
- Health Care Assistant
- Heavy Mechanical Trades Foundations
- Horticulture Technician
- Metal Fabricator/Sheet Metal
- Refrigeration Air Conditioning Mechanic

- Plumbing & Piping Level 1 & Foundations
- Welding

There is limited space, so please plan and get your applications in early. Please make an appointment in the FKSS Career Centre.

POST SECONDARY

UBC

January 15, 2024, deadline date to apply to UBC for September 2024 admission.

UVIC

The UVic application deadline for the Fall 2024 intake is **January 31, 2024**. More information on the application process can be found on the [How to Apply](#) section of our undergraduate admission website. Please encourage any interested students to submit their applications and remind them to connect with <https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/contact/contact-a-recruiter/recruiters/meet-maggie-messer.php> if they have any questions.

GRADS

GETTING SET FOR GRADUATION: All parents of Grads are invited to an important information session Tuesday, January 30th at 6:30 PM in the FKSS theatre. The dry grad committee and school administration will both be present to discuss:

- **Dry Grad:** Information regarding red carpet, banquet, update on fundraising, and update on budget. The dry grad committee has been working very hard and are at a point where more parent participation and input is needed. Parent contact forms will also be distributed so that the dry grad committee has everyone's contact.
- **Graduation:** Information about walk-up (we are looking for parent input around hosting walk up in our gym or at Kerry Park, as we have a very large grad class this year). We will also provide parents with the checklist of what every student needs to have in place to participate in the walk-up ceremony.
- **Bursaries and Scholarships:** Admin will parent guide for supporting their children through the application process.

This meeting is for parents only, as much of what the dry grad committee is planning will be a surprise for the grads, and there is limited seating capacity in our theatre. We hope to see you there.

Dry Grad upcoming events- bottle drive this Sunday, January 14th at Evergreen school (3515 Watson Ave, Cobble Hill) from 10-2pm.

The Bench PAC Bursary link on the Kelsey website has just been updated. Make sure you are using the new application form.

Grad Photo Retakes (or 1st time) will be back at FKSS February 1st, 2nd and 5th. Please sign up online at Schedule.prestigeportraits.ca or from the QR code below. Please view the attached flyer from Prestige. Photo will be held in Room 213.

Photo retake QR Code.

