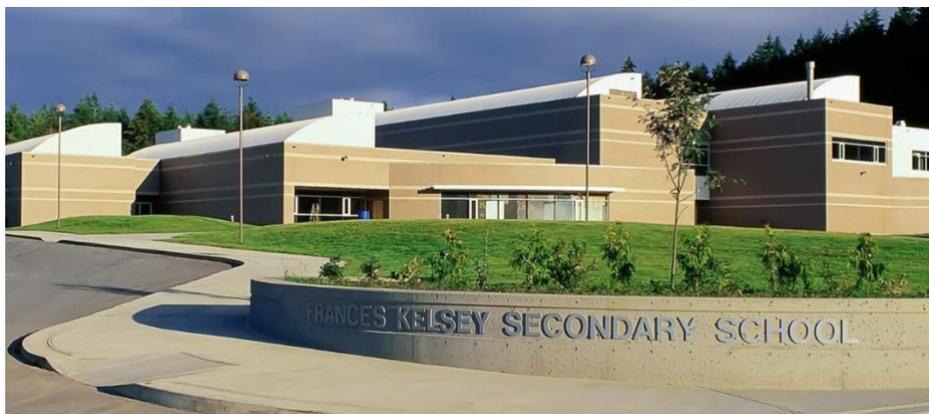


## **FKSS WEEK AT A GLANCE – February 23-27, 2026**



<b>Mon, Feb 23</b> AFBDC DAY 1	<b>Tues, Feb 24</b> BADDC Day 2	<b>Wed, Feb 25</b> CDAB Day 1	<b>Thurs, Feb 26</b> DCBA Day 2	<b>Fri, Feb 27</b> <b>AFBCD Day 1</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DnD Club Rm 221</li> <li>- Foam Smith's Guild Rm 222</li> <li>- Rainbow Club in P5</li> <li>- Spirits &amp; Events Committee Mtg in P5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Athletic Council Mtg</li> <li>- Grad Council Mts in Library</li> <li>- Writer's Guild in P6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Early Dismissal</li> <li>- No Q Block</li> <li>-Public health nurse</li> <li>- Robotics Club in Rm 229</li> <li>Leadership 9-12 Mtg</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Athletic Council Mtg</li> <li>- Dance Club</li> <li>- Foam Smith's Guild</li> <li>- Fundraising Committee Rm 229</li> <li>- Vinyl Club Rm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coldest Night of the Year Walk 10am</li> <li>- Choir Club in Theatre</li> <li>- Math Club in Rm 137</li> </ul>

### **PARENTS:**

2-Hour Early Dismissal on Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>

### **STUDENTS:**

#### **Coldest Night of the Year Walk**

We are doing a whole school walk Friday Feb. 27 during Flex Block to show support for those experiencing hunger and homelessness this winter.

We will have a fact posted each day in the Newsbreaker to help educate us all.

#### Monday Feb. 23

**Why We Walk:** The unhoused population of Canada is estimated to be over 235,000 annually.

#### **Compassion Week: February 23-24**

Monday 23: Black History Awareness Day. Educate yourself and keep an eye out for informational posters.

Tuesday 24: Staff Appreciation Day. Bring kind notes, sweets, and gifts to staff to show your appreciation!

Wednesday 25: Pink Shirt Day. Wear your pink shirts to support anti-bullying.

Thursday 26: Community Kindness Day. Stop by the dome during lunch to sign cards for community heroes.

**Looking for a club to join at school?** FKSS Clubs schedule is posted on our website

<https://fkss.sd79.bc.ca/clubs-activities/>

## Monday Clubs

**Math Club** in Room 137

**DND Club** in Room 221

**Rainbow Club** in P5

## **Kelsey Gear**

Can now be picked up at Munchies during Flex Block. Bring your receipt for pickup. Pink Hoodies & Kelsey Work Wear are coming soon. Stay tuned...

## **Disco Mayhem Skate**

Skate into spring with Student Council's Disco Mayhem Skate on March 9 from 6-7:30 PM at Kerry Park Arena.

Tickets are \$5 and will be sold in the dome during lunch and on SchoolCash Online until the morning of March 9. It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that students bring their own skates. HELMETS ARE MANDATORY. Swing by for an evening filled with fun, music, snacks, and '70s disco vibes.

## **Seek & Sort Tuesdays—now in Room 125!**

Starting Feb.10, swing by Tuesday mornings in B block for help getting organized with Ms. Windecker & Ms. Barker. Lost papers welcome. Jokes encouraged.

**HEY!**

Is organization not your thing? Is your binder a black hole that disappears assignments? Do you even have a binder? *If this is you, we can help!*

Join us for the weekly Kelsey

**Seek & Sort**



**When?** 9:15 am every Tuesday (B block)

**Where?** Room 125

**What?** Support getting organized

**Why?** Because getting organized is a skill, NOT a superpower!

**Fundraising Committee will be hosting bake sales** lunchtime every Friday from February 6 to March 6 to fight racial discrimination. Enter to win a \$30, \$20, or \$10 Kelsey Kafe/ Munchies gift card when you purchase a \$2 treat. A Freestyle Dance Competition will be held on the last bake sale day (March 6) where the top three performances can win a Kelsey hoodie, \$20 cash, or \$10 cash. Enter by purchasing a

\$2 treat. Duos and solos are welcome and will be asked to dance to a random song. Dances will be rated by a panel of three judges.

**Two food safe courses** this year. April 27<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup>. 9am -3pm in the library. The cost is \$55 per person. Non-refundable if you don't show up.

**Cowichan Folk Guild's Music Bursary**

Will cover the cost of sending one Cowichan Valley youth (aged 15-20) to the West Coast Amateur Musicians Society Summer Music Camp.

Any students who are interested, please apply, please see Norma in the Counselling Office.

**Huge congratulations to the Robotics team!**

After a strong showing in Port Alberni this weekend, we have officially qualified for the Tier One Vancouver Island Regional Championships.

We'll be competing at Brentwood College (Foote Athletic Centre) on Feb. 28. If you want to see the best teams on the Island, battle for a spot at Worlds, come join us! The high-stakes elimination rounds start at 1:00 pm

**Yearbook Photo Schedule** below. Don't miss out on your timeslot.

**SPORTS TEAM PHOTOS – OUTSIDE OF ROOM 229**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE OPPORTUNITY FOR A TEAM PHOTO TO BE TAKEN. ONCE THE PHOTO IS TAKEN, THERE ARE NO REDOS. DO NOT MISS YOUR TIME SLOT.

Date	Monday, March 2	Tuesday, March 3	Wednesday, March 4	Thursday, March 5	Friday, March 6
Time/ Block	D (2:08-3:15)	D (12:31-1:51)	D (11:03-12:10)	D (9:00-10:20)	D (2:08-3:15)
Team/ Group *Yellow goes first, blue goes second	Grade 8 Girls Volleyball Grade 9 Girls Volleyball	Grade 10 Girls Volleyball Senior Girls Volleyball	Cross Country Girls Field Hockey	Junior Boys Soccer Rugby	Spring Soccer Track & Field

**SIBLING/ FAMILY PHOTOS, FRIEND PHOTOS – IN THE DOME**

A backdrop will be set up in the dome for friend and family photos (this includes sibling photos) during lunch throughout this week. Once the week is over, there will be no other opportunities for these photos to be taken.

Date	Monday, February 23	Tuesday, February 24	Thursday, February 26	Friday, February 27
Time/ Block	Lunch (12:10-12:55)	Lunch (11:43-12:28)	Lunch (11:43-12:28)	Lunch (12:10-12:55)
Group	Sibling/ Family Friends	Sibling/ Family Friends	Sibling/ Family Friends	Sibling/ Family Friends

**CAR & DRIVER PHOTOS – GRAD LOT**

SEE QR CODE ON GRAD LOT DOOR TO SIGN UP. PLEASE NOTE THAT ONCE YOU HAVE SELECTED A TIME SLOT, THAT WILL BE YOUR ONLY OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN.

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**Wanted: winter activity day photos.**

Please forward photos of students/ staff to [fkssyearbook@sd79.bc.ca](mailto:fkssyearbook@sd79.bc.ca) by Friday, February 27.

## **GRADS:**

**GRAD PHOTOS:** Here are the dates and times for Prestige's upcoming community Pop Up Studio days if you missed your grad photos. Prestige photo sessions are for graduates only.

### **Nanaimo area Pop Up Studio**

4355 Jingle Pot Rd, Nanaimo, BC

Prestige Grad Sessions

March 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am to 3:00pm Booking

Link

[https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/1dqpqss6/?e\\_id=13271](https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/1dqpqss6/?e_id=13271)

### **Victoria area Pop Up Studio**

G. R. Pearkes Recreation Centre

3100 Tillicum Road, Victoria, BC

Prestige Grad Sessions

March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am to 4:00pm Booking

Link

[https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/1dqpqss6/?e\\_id=13181](https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/1dqpqss6/?e_id=13181)

### **Yearbook Superlatives Final Vote!**

A form has been posted in the Grad 2026 Teams. Submit all votes by February 27. Last Opportunity.

### **Car and driver photos:**

Photo sessions are now open for "car and driver." sign up via the form in the grad 2026 teams. Photos will only be included in the yearbook if they are taken during these sessions. Last day to sign up is february 27.

## **SPORTS:**

### **🏒 Whalers Hockey 🏒**

Thank you to all the teachers, students and administrators who supported our teams throughout this season!

**Whalers:** please wash up your uniforms (jerseys, pant shells, socks) in hot water with detergent and return to Mrs. G. next week in a bag with your name on it. As soon as you do, your uniform deposit will be refunded or cheque will be shredded.

### **Basketball Team Photo Session**

Attention all basketball team members. Please come to 229 during lunch on March 4 for your team photo.

## **CAREERS:**

VIU Future Students Webinar Wednesday, February 25 at 6 pm PST.

Find out what to expect as a VIU student. Friendly Recruiters will share information on student life, programs and the supports available to you. The webinar covers topics like:

- athletics
- clubs
- research
- work integrated learning opportunities
- student housing

The Future Students webinar will include time for your questions. SIGN UP:  
<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/2ueqwhc>

Capilano University info night – Feb 26, 2026 - North Vancouver. Open House – March 7, 2026 - Squamish. Discover dozens of programs and support services. Tour the campuses. Connect with faculty and current students. Learn about next steps. RSVP at [CapilanoU.ca/explore](http://CapilanoU.ca/explore)

Dual Credit – Grade 11 & 12 Students. Earn high-school elective credits and post-secondary credits at the same time by taking approved college courses or trades programs—tuition-free through Cowichan SD79. Students are responsible for textbooks, tools, and any required program fees. Interested in Dual Credit for 2026–2027? Apply now and book an appointment in the Career Centre—spaces fill quickly!

uStart at UVic – Grade 12 High-achieving SD79 students can take UVic courses in Grade 12, earning both high-school elective credit and UVic credit. Tuition is covered by SD79. Interested? Connect with the FKSS Career Centre early in Grade 11 for help with the application process.

TASK Program – Now Accepting 2026–2027 Applications! Interested in a trades career? The TASK program helps you explore four areas—carpentry, electrical, metal trades, and plumbing—so you can find the best fit. Apply in the Career Centre—limited seats. Selections happen May 2026, so don't wait!

WEX Students. If you've completed the WEX seminar with Ms. Webb, please return your signed Unit 3 form to the Career Centre as soon as possible. Want to Earn Credits for Working or Volunteering? If you have a job or volunteer role outside school hours, you may be eligible for WEX credits. Sign up in the Career Centre!