

JANUARY 6 – 10, 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
January 6	January 7	January 8	January 9	January 10
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Kitsilano Students and Families:

Welcome back! We hope that you had a wonderful and relaxing winter break.

As we start the new year and return to school, there is much to look forward to. The coming months are full of important and exciting school events, giving students and parents many opportunities to join in. Be sure to check the Week At A Glance (WAAG) regularly and look at the 'EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION' section for details on upcoming events and check the 'DATES TO REMEMBER' section for reminders of important dates.

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION

Reporting Student Absences

If your child will be absent, please email the school at <u>kitsswitchboard@vsb.bc.ca</u> or call the school at 604-713-8961 (press 1) with your child's first and last name, student number and absence date(s).

School Re-opens – January 6

The first day back after winter break is Monday, January 6. Classes start regularly at 8:40 AM beginning with Period 1-1 (followed by Periods 1-2, 1-3 and 1-4).

REMINDER: Sign up for your FIT Period

Flexible Instructional Time (FIT) resumes this week on Monday, January 6. Go to the <u>*Kitsilano FIT Student Planner*</u> to sign up for your FIT periods this week. Make a plan for what you will work on and which learning space you'll be in.

Severe Weather Day Procedures

During severe weather events, like heavy snowfall or extremely high winds, all schools in the Vancouver School District will remain open, if possible. If a District-wide closure is necessary, that will be decided and publicized by 6:30 AM. Details about District-wide school closures will be announced through the media, the <u>District website</u> and <u>school website</u>, as well as the District's social media channels. For more information, <u>click here</u>.

LTF 12: January 13-14

Semester 1 Français Langue 12 students will be completing their oral and written component of the Évaluation de littératie de la 12° année – Français langue seconde-immersion on January 13 and 14. Students can check their assessment date/time and location on the schedule posted outside the school office.

GLA 12: January 13-24

Grade 12 students will be writing the <u>Graduation Literacy</u> <u>Assessment 12</u> (GLA 12) during the weeks of January 13-24. Students can check their assessment date/time and location on the schedule posted outside the school office.

Semester Turnaround Days – January 27 & 28

Semester Turnaround Days are **January 27 and 28**. There are no classes scheduled and students may be at school to see teachers and/or complete work, quiz/test at a teacher's request. Extra-curricular activities are not taking place during regular school hours.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 6	School Re-opens
January 13-14	LTF Assessment 12
January 13-24	Graduation Literacy Assessment 12
January 22	Grade 7 Parent Information Night Grades 8-11 Program Planning Night
January 22	Fine Arts Night
January 24	Semester 1 Ends
January 27-28	Semester Turnaround Days
January 28	PAC Meeting @ 7 PM
January 29	Semester 2 Begins
January 29	Collaborative Day 4 (PM)

Program Planning 2025-26

The program planning process for the next school year begins in January. Counsellors will be presenting information to students and parents to assist in students' course selection for the next school year. The *Course Planning Guide 2025-26* will be available to view on the <u>school website</u> at the end of this week. Please take time to review with your child the current course offerings and assist them in making their course selections for the next school year.

Counsellors will share program planning information with students in grade assemblies in January and February and with parents/guardians at the Grade 8-11 Program Planning Night on Wednesday, January 22.

Homework Help

Peer tutoring is available to all students every Wednesday after school, 3:10-4:00 PM in the Learning Hub (Rom 228). Peer tutors, grades 10-12 can provide one-to-one help in a variety of subject areas on a drop-in basis.

Kitsilano Athletics

Check out what is happening in athletics on Instagram at <u>@kitsathletics</u>.

Career Centre News

See attached for upcoming post-secondary deadlines and events.

Kitsilano Secondary School

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CAREER CENTRE NEWS

Week of January 6 – 10, 2025

DEADLINES

January 10	U of Alberta Scholastic Distinction Scholarship & Leadership Awards Deadline
January 17	Schulich Leader Scholarship School Nomination Application Deadline
January 17	BC Excellence Scholarship School Nomination Application Deadline
February 7	Cmolik Foundation Scholarship School Nomination Application Deadline
February 12	Les Dames d'Escoffier British Columbia Application Deadline
February 14	Western U. National Scholarship Program Application Due (school nomination required)
February 17	Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship Application Deadline
February 19	Schulich Leader Scholarship Application Deadline (school nomination required)
February 28	Beem Million Dollar Bursary Program Application Deadline
March 1	Capilano University Entrance Awards Application Deadline
March 9	RE/MAX Canada Quest for Excellence Scholarship Application Deadline
March 31	Horatio Alger Association of Canada Scholarships Application Deadline (for Grade 11s)
May 2	Kindness Foundation Nadine Marshall Scholarship Application Deadline

EVENTS

Ongoing	Comprehensive Canadian University Guide (CCUG) Podcast https://anchor.fm/ccug
Ongoing	Post Secondary BC Events, various
Ongoing	<u>Creative Pathways</u> , various opportunities - paid work, programs , skills + training , information + knowledge , networking + events within the motion picture industry, Animation, Visual Effects and Post, and Film Adjacent sectors
Sept January	Langara Program Information Sessions
November – May	<u>UBC Faculty of Forestry Undergraduate Info. Sessions</u> , 2 nd Thursday of month, 4:00-5:00 PM

For the latest information, regularly check the "All Students @ Kitsilano Secondary" Team, "Career Centre" channel.