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March 7, 2025

Hello wonderful people,

Happy Spring. Here comes the sun.

As we wait for it, and will endure a few more cold and rainy days, I am reminded of the value of patience, and the struggle we all face wanting something to happen, and the tension between striving to purposefully make something happen and waiting for the fruit to ripen once the conditions have been put in place. If you bite a mango too soon, it will be bitter, but if you wait, that same mango will be sweet.

All that to say, you will notice some major construction and traffic changes taking place from this Monday onward. The Parks Board will truly begin their work of replacing our track and field on the east side of the building and this will involve large trucks turning into our parking lot beginning at 9 am each day with a pause between 3-4 pm (if all goes according to plan). At the same time, construction on a field just south of the Community Center for FIFA 2026 is in full operation and also will have an impact on traffic and accessibility. These projects are scheduled to be completed in 2026 including the FIFA field being ready for the summer of 2026. In the meantime, we will have to be patient and adjust to bear the sweet fruit of having two world-class fields once the work is done.

Thank you for making Killarney a wonderful place to be!

Chris Parker

Principal

2024-2025

COUNSELLORS & ADMINISTRATORS

Principal: Mr. C. Parker

Vice Principal: Ms. B. Dowle (gr. 8/11)

Vice Principal: Mr. M. Nakada (gr. 9)

Vice Principal: Ms. S. Underwood (gr. 10/12)

Counsellors

Grade 8: Mr. O. Goncalves

Grade 9: Mr. L. Nerling

Grade 10: Mr. R. Tanabe

Grade 11: Ms. S. Glynianyi

Grade 12: Ms. A. Sum



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March Days with Changes to the Schedule

Spring break is Monday, March 17th to Friday, March 28th. We will re-open on Monday, March 31st.

Interim Reports for Semester 2

Interim reports, which include a descriptive comment on a student's progress, areas for growth, and ways to support learning, will be published in the MyEd Family portal by 3:00 PM on March 13th.

Parent Teacher Conferences

A reminder that Parent-Teacher conferences for Semester 2 will be April 3rd from 4:00-5:10 pm on TEAMS and from 5:40 to 7:00pm in person. More information has been emailed to families

Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

From January to May, Vancouver School District #39 is participating in the 2025 **Student Learning Survey** in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the province. See the attached letter for more information.

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers can complete the online anonymous Student Learning Surveys **any time before 11:59 pm May 2nd, 2025**, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

The survey collects your feedback on the implementation of curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation.

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Grade 4, 7, 10, 11 and 12 students complete the survey; students in Grades 4, 7, 10, 11 and 12 will also complete the survey; and all Staff associated with a school will complete the survey.

Parents and Guardians/Caregivers please complete the survey:

1. Use any device with an up-to-date internet browser to access at home, work, or school.
2. Go to [Student Learning Survey - Province of British Columbia](#)
3. Click on the blue "Parents" button for direct access – no logon number required. Click the arrows on the right side to see the dropdown menus and select:
 1. District: 39 Vancouver
 2. School: Killarney Secondary
 3. Language: language of your choice
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards.
5. When you are finished with the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views".
6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

Thank you for your valuable feedback! It will help us to understand and improve!

COUGAR MART SALE – New School Tote Bag Available Now!

Show your school spirit in style with Killarney Cougar Mart's tote bag! Made from 100% cotton, this durable and eco-friendly bag is perfect for carrying books, groceries, and everyday essentials. Featuring a sleek design, it's a must-have for students, parents, and staff alike.

Get yours today by the link: <https://bit.ly/cmtotetabag> while supplies last! Early bird sale concludes March 17.





Killarney Visual Arts News

– Ms. Holdaway

We want to recognize and celebrate the hard work that our Senior Ceramics 11/12 students put into creating their Endangered Species animal head sculptures. Students were asked to choose an endangered species to research and represent in clay. They carefully studied, drew, and sculpted their animals in order to bring attention to the fragility of their species in a dignified way. The sculptures were displayed at the school for a month and are now currently on show at the Vancouver School Board where they have received rave reviews!

Finally, Killarney has been asked to display *photographs* of the students' ceramic work at the **Canadian Clay Symposium at the Shadbolt Center for the Arts in March 2026**. This event occurs every 4 years and it is such an honour for our students to have images of their work displayed and seen by professional Ceramic Artists across Canada! Way to go Killarney artists!





Killarney Athletics

Winter Sports have recently finished and here are the write-ups provided by the teams. Stay tuned for next month's update for Spring Sports.

Bantam Girls Basketball

"The Grade 8 girls' basketball team had an unforgettable season, marked by determination and a fierce drive to win. With a 7-1 record in the regular season, they proved themselves as one of the top contenders, fighting hard each game. The road was bumpy, filled with emotions like joy, confidence, frustration, and eagerness. As they moved into playoffs, their fighting spirit shined through when they won in semi-finals against a tuff Kitsilano team, securing their spot in the City Championship game. The girls played hard in the finals, fighting till the last second. Even when things weren't going their way, the team kept persevering. The girls ended off their unforgettable season placing second in the city. "

Bantam Boys Basketball

Killarney's Bantam Boys Basketball team enjoyed a wonderfully successful season full of development and learning. All sixteen players played a major role in the season, and each boy showed remarkable growth. Highlights of the season included winning three of four games at the Langara Challenge, and reaching the semi-finals of the city championships, losing a double-overtime heartbreaker to Churchill. Coach McGuire would like to thank all of the boys- Krethik, Caius, EJ, Gavin, Justine, Lucas, Billiam, Jasper, Silas, RayRay, John, JJ, Andrew, Malik, Omer, and Arthur- for their hard work, their resiliency, and for the joy they brought to the court. Six-Seven!

Juvenile Boys Basketball

Resilience would be a fitting word to describe this year's Juvenile Boys' basketball team. Needing to win their last game to qualify for the city playoffs, the team was able to accomplish and had a great run in the cities. They upset west #1 Lord Byng in their first game, then defeated east #2 Van Tech in the semi's and lost a hard-fought game against east #1 Windermere by six points! The good news is that the team has qualified for the Grade 9 Invitational (provincial) tournament where they will compete against 23 strong teams from BC. During the invitational tournament, the team played hard but lost their first two games against a strong Handsworth (North Vancouver) and Heritage Woods (Coquitlam) team however, the team did finish strong beating Mark Isfeld (Van Island) and Columneetza (Williams Lake) to finish in the top 20. **Special shout out to Felipe Jacobi who received an honourable mention award at this tournament.** The team should be proud of their efforts as there has been evidence of growth and improvement this year. The team wants to thank their parents/guardians, teachers, administrators and fans for their support all season. This group will be one to watch as they move up to juniors next year.



Senior Girls Basketball

" The Killarney sr girl's basketball team entered the season competing in Tier 1 for the first time in 5 years. It was an eventful season to say the least considering with some roster changes. starting with 12 players and finally ending with 9 on the roster to run with for the rest of the season.



Killarney Cougar News

March 2025

Our Sr. girl's lead by head coach **D.Knight** and his coaching staff **Janel Tantengco** and **Matt Lodovica** has prepared the team the best way for a long and competitive season.

The Sr. girl's competed in 4 tourneys before the regular season started. Richmond Colt tourney girl's finished 3rd , Cougar classic 3rd , Burnaby south 5th , and Hamber tourney 7th.

As for the regular season our girl's finished with a 4-1 record and finished 2nd place in their division (South) .. Going into the Cities the girls fell short to Tupper Quater finals , fell short again to Hamber , and victory over Van Tech .. finishing 7 th overall. With the illness bug and injury bug through out the season and play offs the team still manage to compete every game.

We want to thank all of our players (**Alexis Mak, Bailey Meredith-Hooper, Simran Jhalli, Queen Ortiz, Tiana Hicks, Latasha Ross, Ciara Ross, Anjli Lacerte, and Angel Glavez** for their hard work and commitment throughout the season. To our team managers **Prince Cabangon** and **Leanna Su** a big thank you for all of your help, especially organizing senior night...and finally to all the parents and cougar fans that supported the team all season long.

THANK YOU AND GO Cougars !