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May 6, 2024

Dear Killarney Parents/Guardians,

There are approximately 7 weeks of school left!

As in all long races, there is a natural tendency to 'let up' at this point in the race ... please encourage your child to finish strong, be resilient, and see things through!

We truly need you to join our Killarney Parent Advisory Council (KPAC) for next year!! Many of our executive will have graduating children this year. The PAC is essential for receiving \$30 000 in funds for the school – these funds are essential for all extracurricular activities at the school. If your child is involved in Athletics this means balls, equipment, uniforms, referees etc... If your child is in a club, this means funds for materials for them. No PAC = No funds.

There are only 8 meetings a year on Wednesday nights for about an hour. Please step forward and don't wait for someone else! It's actually a very pleasant experience!

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Take care,

Chris Parker

2023-2024

COUNSELLORS & ADMINISTRATORS

Principal: Mr. C. Parker

Vice Principal: Mr. M. Nakada (gr. 8)

Vice Principal: Mr. B. Soong (gr. 10/12)

Vice Principal: Ms. S. Underwood (gr. 9/11)

Counsellors

Grade 8: Mr. L. Nerling

Grade 9: Ms. T. Romano

Grade 10: Ms. S. Glynianyi

Grade 11: Ms. A. Sum/Mr. R. Ferguson

Grade 12: Mr. H. Clark



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May changes to the regular schedule

Tuesday, May 14th – PM Collab day, students dismissed at 1:45pm

Friday, May 17th – Professional Development Day, no school for students

Monday, May 20th – Victoria Day, school closed

Grad 2024

Our Graduation Ceremony will take place on June 12, 2024, at the **Queen Elizabeth Theatre** at 6pm. Doors will open at 5pm with seating available at 5:30pm. Students are expected to arrive by 5:00pm.

Grad fees include 2 tickets to the ceremony, extra tickets will be available for purchase on SchoolCashOnline (or cash to Ms. Cho in the office) for \$10 each beginning Monday, May 6th. The deadline to purchase is Friday, May 31st. All tickets will be given to the students at the grad ceremony rehearsal on Monday, June 10th in last block (1:45pm). Student attendance is mandatory.

Prom 2024

Prom will be on June 20th at the Pan Pacific, look for tickets to go on sale in early May.

Killarney Athletics

Jr/Sr Badminton

The Senior Badminton team is on fire this season, boasting an undefeated record and displaying remarkable sportsmanship and skill. Their hard work and determination have paid off, and they are now gearing up to face off against the top teams in the league in playoffs later this month.

The Junior Badminton team is making waves of their own with a two-game win streak. Their perseverance and teamwork are evident in their recent victories.

Congratulations to both teams for their outstanding performances so far!

Bantam Badminton

The Bantam Badminton consists of 16 very enthusiastic and energetic grade students. The team had its first match on Friday April 26th versus Winston Churchill. Lots of very competitive matches. Next up is a trip to Van Tech before our first home match on Friday May 3rd. Good luck to the team!

Bantam Volleyball

Coach Lopez is working with a dedicated group of players who are practicing most mornings at 7:15am. The team is off to a good start in league play. Keep up the great work boys!

Juvenile Boys Volleyball

The team is currently tied for second place in the VSSAA League with an impressive 4 wins and only 1 loss. Congratulations on a great start to the season!

Senior Girls Soccer

The team is a mixture of students from all grades. They are having their most competitive season in the past few years. All games are very competitive with very close scores. Thank you to Ms Dhanda and Ms Dallaway-Jones for volunteering to coach this year's team. Keep up the good work girls!



Golf Team

The Killarney team is in the ultra-competitive and highly skilled "A Division". Although the team has not won a match this season, they are having fun playing at some exclusive golf clubs and always display outstanding sportsmanship

Track and Field

The team is training hard in preparation for the upcoming City, Zone and Provincial Championships.

Good luck to all the Athletes!

Jr/Sr Ultimate

Look for a full report in our next update!

Spring Fever

Congrats to all those involved in our Spring Fever festival!! This festival allows students to take charge and write and direct their own one-act show. This year we have three original plays, by 8 senior students. With over 60 students involved, they are excited to showcase their work to audiences on **Wednesday, May 15th and Thursday, May 16th at 6:30pm in the blackbox theatre, C105**. Tickets are now available for \$10 each and money raised go towards grade 12 scholarships. Come support our young and creative students as they see their work go from paper to the stage. We are SO PROUD of all students involved, our stage managers, actors, directors, production managers and of course, our student teachers from UBC, Ms. Gallant and Ms. Niles, for working and mentoring the festival. We look forward to seeing you all during show nights. Don't miss out! Any questions or to get your tickets, please see Ms. Mattock, Mr. Rocchetta or Ms. Tuson in C104/C105/C106.





France Trip

During Spring Break, 43 French 11 and 12 students from Killarney accompanied by 5 teachers went to Paris and the south of France. They had the opportunity to see all the sights such as the Eiffel Tower and the Louvre as well as practice their French and immerse themselves in the French culture. Many croissants, crepes and baguettes were consumed, and it was a successful trip. Stay tuned for the next one in 2026!



Killarney IT students win medals at the BC Skills Competition

Thanks to the support of the district, Killarney was able to send 4 students to the BC Skills competition. We have participated in the IT – Network Systems Administration competition in the past, but this was our first year to participate in the Website Design competition.

IT – Network Systems Administration competition

Two students from our District IT program were chosen to compete in this competition. Burnaby was able to send 4 students. Even though the Burnaby students had more time with the curriculum because they are on a linear system, and we are on a semester system, we were able to receive a bronze medal.

Isaac Liang received bronze.

Veljko Stevanovic should be commended for being chosen to participate and for his above and beyond efforts in class.

Website Design competition

Two Programming 11 students were chosen to compete in this competition and had the courage to take on this challenge, even though there was very little information on how to prepare for it.

Isaac Kikko received bronze.

Michelle Zhou received silver.



I would like to personally thank all of these students for being brave enough to step up and compete. It is not an easy thing to do and not all students rose to this challenge. They represented Killarney well.

Ms. Ali

Immunization Clinic

Our last immunization clinic of the year will be May 30th. If your child is due for an immunization, you will have already received either a consent form or immunization reminder notice. The consent forms need to be signed and returned to the school office by Friday, May 10th. Please encourage your child to come to the cafeteria for immunizations when they are called down on May 30th. Please ensure that your child eats a hearty breakfast and wears a short-sleeved T-shirt on the day of the immunizations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Health Nurse Asifa Kassam at 604-321-6151 ext 3332.

Killarney Parents Advisory Council (KPAC)

Next Meeting

Please join us **IN PERSON** for our next meeting on May 29, 2024 at 7pm.

Elections

KPAC is currently seeking nominees to run for the 2024/25 Parent Advisory Council. If you are interested in running for one of the available positions please see our [website](#) and complete a [nomination form](#). If you have any questions regarding KPAC please email killarneypac@gmail.com.

Direct Donation Campaign

We are reaching out to all parents and families of students attending Killarney Secondary to ask you to consider a financial contribution towards the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) to be used for student activities throughout the year. As you know, the education budgets do not cover a lot of the activities that enrich our students' experience at the school. The PAC is approached for assistance with items such as extracurricular clubs and sports teams, conference days, Fine Arts, and Dry Grad.

While the PAC applies for money from BC Gaming each year, we received more requests than we can fund with the grant money. So, we need your help to continue supporting the extracurricular activities that enrich our children's lives and education.

The PAC welcomes and encourages all parents to get involved in whatever way you can throughout the school year. For those parents who are unable to volunteer their time, a financial contribution is a great way to support our students. Your contribution will help create the best possible learning environment and experience for all students at our school.

Official tax receipts will be issued for a minimum of \$20 donations.

HOW TO DONATE

You can now donate online and receive your tax receipt immediately.

Go to your School Cash Online account at <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

Log in and look for the **MAKE A DONATION** button at the top of the page:

- 1) Choose from the list of donation amounts, or enter a specific amount.
- 2) Choose S-Killarney PAC from the dropdown list.
- 3) Click on "Add To Cart"
- 4) Click on Continue and follow the instructions to pay



Killarney Cougar News

May 2024

Contact the School

Please contact the teacher, the counsellor, or the grade administrator if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress with learning.