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November 4, 2025

Dear Killarney Families:

It is a delight to be able to work at this school! Overall, there is a positive, caring, and respectful culture here and I thank you for the parenting you provide that helps make it that way! Grads continue to come back and want to celebrate their time here – some from last year and some from 50 years ago. In two weeks the grad class of 2000 is having their 25th (if I'm counting right) reunion!

Are you free on Wednesday, November 19 from 7-9 pm? If so, come on out and see our school talent show that is always phenomenal!!!

This year's fall athletics will start their playoffs this week or in the upcoming weeks...then basketball season begins. If your child is looking for fitness consider the fitness room – weights, cardio, and heavy bag work are all available Tuesdays and Thursdays after school and open to any student with all kinds of levels and a highly positive energy.

Stay positive!

Chris Parker
Principal

2025-2026

COUNSELLORS & ADMINISTRATORS

Principal: Mr. C. Parker (gr. 12)
Vice Principal: Mr. S. Cameron (gr. 8 & 10)
Vice Principal: Ms. B. Dowle (gr. 9 & 11)

Counsellors

Grade 8: Mr. S. Walter
Grade 9: Mr. O. Goncalves
Mr. R. Tanabe
Grade 10: Mr. L. Nerling
Grade 11: Mr. E. Leung
Grade 12: Ms. S. Glynianyi



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November Days with Changes to the Schedule

- Tuesday, November 11th – Remembrance Day, SCHOOL CLOSED
- Tuesday, November 18th – PM Collaborative Day, early dismissal for students (1:45pm)
- Friday, November 21st – District wide Professional Development Day. School will not be in session for students.

Calendar Change for 2026 Graduation Ceremony

Due to scheduling conflicts brought on by the FIFA world cup, we will need to hold this year's grad ceremony **Monday, June 15** at 11 am. Given the number of staff necessary to make this event happen, **we will be treating that day like a flex/make-up day**. A number of staff will be available at the school should your child choose to work at the school, however there will not be regular instruction on this day and your child's teacher may be at the grad ceremony and not at school.

Mid Semester Reports

Each written Learning Update includes:

- Communication of student learning in relation to learning standards in all current areas of learning, using the Provincial Proficiency Scale (Grades 8 & 9) or letter grades and percentages (Grades 10 - 12).
- Feedback describing student strengths, areas for future growth, and opportunities for further development.
- Information about student attendance.
- Information about student work habits is possible.
- Student Core Competency Reflection #1 will be included at this time. Please view your child's reflection on SpacesEdu by accessing your child's account.

This report will be published on the MyEducation family portal on November 20th.

Semester One

- November 20th – Mid-semester Report
- January 30th – Final Semester Report

Killarney Night of Talent (KNoT)

On November 19th, Killarney's Student Government will, once again, be hosting the student talent extravaganza **Killarney Night of Talent (KNoT)**. Thirteen different acts will be vying for first prize in a show that will be epic. Tickets are only \$5 (\$10 the week of and at the door) for an amazing display of young talent.

When: Wednesday, November 19th, 2025

Time: 7pm (doors open at 6:30, festival seating)

Tickets: \$5 from any Student Government member, or from any participant.

Remembrance Day Holiday

School will be closed on Tuesday, November 11th for the national Remembrance Day holiday. Remembrance Day assemblies will be held on Monday, November 10th.

Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 & 12 Assessments for 2025-26

IMPORTANT UPDATE The first round of Numeracy/Literacy assessments at Killarney for the 2025-26 school year will occur between January 20-23, 2026.

GRADE 10 STUDENTS: Grade 10 students enrolled in Foundations Math 10 or Workplace Math 10 in Semester 1 will do the Numeracy 10 assessment on January 23rd. Grade 10 students enrolled in Science 10 in Semester 1 will do the



Literacy 10 assessment on January 22nd. Grade 10 students enrolled in these courses in Semester 2 will do their assessments in April 2026.

GRADE 12 STUDENTS: Grade 12 students must also do the Literacy 12 assessment. Those students with English Studies 12 in Semester 1 will do their Literacy 12 assessment on January 20th. Students with English Studies 12 and English First Peoples 12 in Semester 2 will write the Literacy 12 assessment in April. Finally, any student who is not enrolled in these courses at Killarney will have an opportunity to complete the Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 and Literacy 12 assessments in January, April and June 2026.

Information on how to prepare for the assessments will be posted on GRADE TEAMS with question examples and videos.

Grade 9 Immunization Clinic

Consent forms from Vancouver Coastal Health were given to students/parents. These individual forms detail the vaccination history for your child and list recommended vaccinations for 2025-2026. The vaccination clinic for our school will be on November 26th. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call your Public Health Nurse, Asifa Kassam at 604-321-6151 ext. 3332 or asifa.kassam@vch.ca.

University Fair at Killarney

Grades 10-12 students are welcome to attend the BC-based post-secondary institution day. Get all the information you need—admissions and programs, deadlines, financial aid and housing. For more information, please visit <https://www.postsecondarybc.ca/>.

When: Thursday, Nov 13 (9am to 11am)

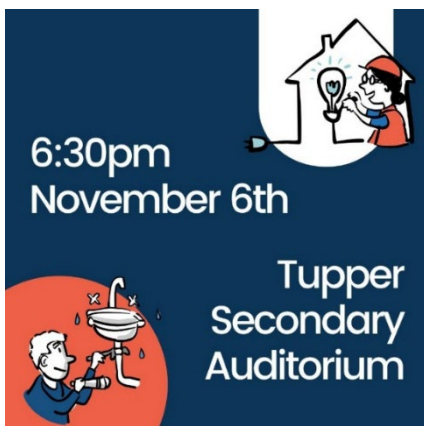
Grade 10 – 9:00-9:30, Grade 12 – 9:30-10:00, Grade 11 – 10:10-11:00

Where: Killarney Secondary School Cafeteria

Construction Trades Info Night

Students and families interested in learning more about how training and apprenticeship in a construction trade could be part of a graduation pathway are invited to join us and a number of employers and training providers on November 6th at 6:30pm in the Tupper Auditorium.

Students who pre-register will get a BONUS entry in the draw for door prizes. Please pre-register using this link - <https://forms.office.com/r/0cc6kb02xD>.





Poinsettia Fundraiser

KAFT is selling Poinsettias this year. Get ready for the holidays with these beautiful plants- they make great gifts. All students in the theatre and photo program were given the order forms at the beginning of November. These are amazing, large, and luscious plants that are perfect for the holiday season. **Deadline to place your order** for the KAFT's poinsettia fundraiser is **Monday November 24th at 3:15pm**. Please place your order by having your child see either Mr. Rocchetta/Ms. Mattock or Ms. Tuson. You can also call the school. **The delivery / pick-up date will be Monday, December 1st after school** in room C105/C106/C104. Any questions feel free to call the school. Thanks for your support.

**They come in Red, Pink or White colours.

Cost is \$12 each or 2 for \$21----

A GREAT DEAL!!!



2026 Graduation

Grad Photos

Grade 12's can book an appointment for grad photos at Artona Studios. The photo sessions for Killarney grads will be taking place from **November 2-6 2025**.

How Artona Grad Sessions Work

1. Book an appointment at [KILN](#). There is no cost to book an appointment, but we do require a credit or debit card to secure the booking. Students are not charged until the time of their session.
2. Get photographed and pay the \$60 deposit. At the time of their session, students pay a \$60 deposit they can use toward a purchase later. We take both casual and formal photos, including one for the yearbook. If students choose not to order, we'll refund the deposit within 30 days.

View and order photos online. Students and families can purchase their photos online, with both [digital and print options](#) available.

Helpful Links

[How to Prepare for Grad Photos](#)

[What to Wear for Grad Photos](#)

[All about Grad Group Sessions](#)

[Artona Pinterest](#)

[Artona Instagram](#)



Graduation Ceremony

Save the Date! The 2026 graduation ceremony will be on Monday June 15th at 11am at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. Please note the time as we are having a ceremony during the school day this year. There is a \$100 fee for the ceremony payable online at [SchoolCashOnline](#) or by cash or cheque in the school office. Grad Fees include: facility rental, awards/trophy engraving, 2 tickets, gown, hat/ tassel, misc. ceremony costs, photographer & ceremony photo(s). The deadline to pay is February 28, 2026. Extra tickets will be available to purchase in April or May for \$10 each.

In early January students will be sent a Grad Information Form to complete. This form is used to confirm attendance and to gather student's height to order the appropriate length gown.

Prom

Save the Date! Prom will be on Wednesday, June 17th at the Pan Pacific Hotel.

Killarney Athletics- Fall Season

Students can access the [All-Student Microsoft Team - Athletics Channel](#), to learn about what is offered at Killarney as well as find links to register for sports offered each season.

Parents and Students, see the links below for the information described.

[Killarney Athletics Master Schedule](#): this link will show you the home and away game schedule for all sports played at Killarney.

[VSSAA](#): The Vancouver Secondary Schools Athletic Association website provides league schedules and standings for all sports.

[SchoolCashOnline](#): is the link to pay athletic fees if you have a child playing or about to play a sport at Killarney.

Fall Teams currently running (listed below with blurbs if available)

Teams have been competing hard to earn playoff spots in city championships, zones, and even provincials.

Cross Country Recently competed in Squamish for Zones and is sending two runners to Provincials: Good luck Joshua Chiu and Gabriel Ma.

Bantam Girls Volleyball

This wonderful team of 18 talented players started their season at a Windermere tournament and has used that experience to an impressive record as playoffs approach.

Swimming (coach Mark Johnston)

[Killarney Panthers Roar at the Vancouver Sea to Sky Zone Swimming Championships!](#)

The **Killarney Swim Team** made waves at the **Vancouver Sea to Sky Zone Swimming Championships**, showcasing incredible speed, teamwork, and Panther pride!

Killarney was proudly represented by **9 athletes**, who raced to **13 personal best times** and earned **5 Provincial qualifications** — an outstanding team effort!

Congratulations to our Provincial Qualifiers: Jaden Leung (Gr. 11), Jayden Chung (Gr. 12), Zaidel Rabut (Gr. 11), Issac Yip (Gr. 11), and Ysabelle Guzman (Gr. 10)

Meet Highlights:



Killarney Cougar News

November 2025

Jaden Leung — 🥇 *1st place* in the 50m Freestyle (**New Meet Record!** 🏆) and 🥉 *3rd place* in the 100m Butterfly

- **Ysabelle Guzman** — 🥈 *2nd place* in the 100m Breaststroke
- **Relays** — 🥇 *1st place* in the Men's 4x100m Freestyle Relay and 🥈 *2nd place* in the 4x50m Freestyle Relay

An incredible showing from start to finish — congratulations to all our swimmers for their dedication, sportsmanship, and record-breaking performances! Good luck to our Provincial qualifiers as they continue to make Killarney proud!

School Fees

Please visit our [website](#) for school fees information. School fees can be paid on [SchoolCashOnline](#).

KPAC

Your KPAC is having a **Purdy's fundraiser!** Please follow this Purdy's [link](#), enter your email address, click "Join Campaign," and place your order! If prompted, our campaign number is 67711. The deadline for ordering is November 29th, estimated pick up will be December 8th from Killarney. Thanks for supporting the KPAC!

All Killarney families are invited to the next **KPAC meeting**, which will be in person on Wednesday, November 26th at 7pm in the Killarney Secondary Library. We look forward to seeing you there!

We know that families are busy, and you can't necessarily donate your time to helping out the PAC. Another option is a **direct donation** to the KPAC via the School Cash Online website. Donations \$20 and over receive a tax receipt, but we welcome any size donation- those \$5 and \$10 donations add up! To donate, please sign in at <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/> then: Make a Donation button>> Gift information >> Fund destination >> Killarney Secondary PAC.

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. This newsletter and my previous newsletters are posted under the Student Bulletin section of the Killarney website.