



Parent-Teacher Interviews Thursday, April 16, 2015

3:00-5:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm

On Thursday, April 16, OSS will be holding Parent-Teacher Interviews from 3:00-5:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm. **Please remember that students will be dismissed at 12:45 pm on that day.** Please ask your child if they have been issued an appointment. If not, contact the school office on Monday, April 13 to set up a time. We look forward to seeing all of you in the school at that time.

Congratulations OSS Skills Canada Students

On Friday, March 6, Mr. Langley took four OSS students to Okanagan College to participate in the Skills Canada trades competition in Kelowna. This competition is run by Okanagan College trades instructors, and pits high school students against each other in a variety of trades related challenges in cooking, welding, automotive service, cabinet making, and computer assisted design (C.A.D.). One of our students, **Shayden Stark, won his competition and is going to the Provincial Skills Canada Competition in Abbotsford, April 14.** Our students were competing against students from all of the high schools in the Okanagan region from Vernon south to Osoyoos, with OSS being one of the smallest schools in the competition. OSS Students who also participated in the competition were Kassie Hutter, C.A.D.; Cameron Service, Cabinet Making; and Luke Nehring, Cabinet Making. Congratulations to all of our competitors! We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. Congratulations also to Mr. Langley for providing our students with strong learning opportunities in trades skills, and for helping them achieve at such high levels. Good luck to Shayden at Skills Canada Provincials in Abbotsford.

Grade 9, 10 and 11 Parent Meeting for 2015-16 Course Planning

In preparation for students' 2015-2016 course selection in late April/early May, we are hosting a parent meeting for parents of students entering grades 10, 11 and 12 in 2015-16. Parents of students entering grade 9 next school year are also welcome to attend. The meeting will take place in our Theatre on **Wednesday, April 15 at 6:00 pm.**

At this meeting, we will review graduation program requirements, post-secondary entrance requirements, course selection and course planning process, course electives in grades 10 to 12, and trades opportunities. This is an important meeting and we hope all parents of students in these grades will be able to attend.

Student Forum

On Tuesday, April 21, OSS will be holding a student forum at the Osoyoos Best Western Hotel. We will be working with 50 students (10 from each grade) to get their perception and feedback on a variety of topics at OSS such as school culture, learning, connectedness, and safety. Students' feedback about their OSS experience will be incorporated into our planning for next year.

OSS PAC Meeting

A reminder that the March PAC Meeting takes place on **Monday, April 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm** in the OSS Library. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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Semester 1 Provincial Exams

OSS students did very well in comparison to students in the district and in the province. Thanks to students' hard work, and the work and support of our teachers, our results were very strong. They are below for your reference.

Course	School Mark %			Exam Mark %			Final %		
	School	District	Province	School	District	Province	School	District	Province
Eng. 12 (28)	81	78	75	70	67	68	76	74	73
Eng. 10 (17)	81	73	72	74	69	66	80	72	72
S.S. 11 (20)	75	75	73	78	80	72	76	76	74
AW Ma 10(12)	72	77	65	62	56	55	70	73	65
FMA 10 (31)	74	72	72	73	69	71	74	72	73
Sc. 10 (23)	76	74	72	70	66	68	75	73	72
Comm 12 (1)	65	67	66	49	63	67	59	66	69

(*Numbers in brackets indicate numbers of students that wrote each exam)

French Trip to Mt. Baldy

Mrs. Nazaroff's French 12 class recently returned from their Mt. Baldy "Immersion in French" trip. Students participated in a variety of fun outdoor and indoor activities at Mt. Baldy, and were permitted to only speak in French. As in past trips, students had fun, and grew in their ability to speak French. Thank you to Mrs. Nazaroff for organizing the trip, and to Mr. Gajda for chaperoning.

French Trip to Quebec Parent Meeting

On Saturday, May 16, Ms. Scott and Mrs. Nazaroff are taking a group of students to Quebec. Students will be immersed in Quebec culture for a week and will participate in many sightseeing and cultural activities. Prior to the trip, Ms. Scott and Mrs. Nazaroff will be holding a mandatory parent information meeting on **Wednesday, April 22 at 5:30 pm at OSS.**

Grade 7 Transition to Osoyoos Secondary School

It is that time of the year again where we begin transitioning our grade 7's and their families to OSS. This is both an exciting but nervous time as students transition to a new school. To ease any anxiety and make transition go smoothly for students and their families, our staff has planned the following transition activities:

- April 23 OSS staff to visit Osoyoos Elementary School to meet students at 11:00 am
- April 27 OSS staff to visit Good Shepherd Christian School to meet students at 8:45 am
- April 27 Grade 7 Parent Meeting at 7:00 pm in the OSS Theatre.

Spaghetti Bridge Building Competition with Physics 12 Students

On March 6, Mr. Khodarahmi and our Physics 12 class travelled to Kelowna to participate in the Spaghetti Bridge Building Competition against schools from the Okanagan. Our students represented themselves and our school very well. The top performing student from OSS was Mercedese Jeffries. Thank you to Mr. Khodarahmi for making this activity possible for our students.

News for Grads and Grad Parents

It is important that grads continue to focus on their studies and work hard to ensure that they are in good academic standing and on line to graduate. We will be reviewing their semester 2 report cards, and meeting with any grads who may be failing (or in danger of failing), or possibly not looking like they will be able to graduate. We will also be contacting parents if this is the case. Completed Grad Transitions work is due to Mr. Safek on **Monday, May 4**, and all grads must set the afternoon of **Monday, June 1** aside to do their Grad Transitions presentations from 3 pm - 5 pm. Grad is planned for Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 pm. If you have any questions about Grad, the Dry Grad activity, or your child's graduation credits, please contact us.

Grads of 2015

Only two months to go until our trip to Seattle and three months until Graduation!

Fundraising activities are continuing! We have several volunteer opportunities in the upcoming month:

- OCU AGM Wednesday - April 16th
- Soccer Concession - April 17-18
- Autism Walk – April 17th
- Oyster Feed - April 17th
- Quilters Dinner – April 24 – 25th

We also have a couple of events:

- Spring Fling April 24th
- Rattlers Scramble May 9th (all golfers welcome!)

We are also planning on doing a Spring Plant Fundraiser. More information and order forms will be sent next week. We hope you will consider purchasing some plants through us to support grad.

We are always looking for help with our events. If you are available, please contact Mrs. Miller.

If your graduating child is planning on going on our Dry Grad Trip on May 30th , there is a **mandatory parent meeting on April 27th** as per School Board policy. I encourage you to bring your graduate with you as well so we can go over the itinerary and answer any questions you might have. **Please bring passports to this meeting.**

The graduation ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 pm. There are two rehearsals on Tuesday, June 23th and Wednesday, June 24th at 4:00 pm both days. We have asked students to plan ahead to be available for these dates.

The Second Annual Challenge for Change Workshop – Tuesday, May 5th

Last year's Challenge for Change workshop received very positive reviews from the grade 9 students who attended. We have therefore decided to run the workshop again this year. Developed by two former grade 12 students, Sydney Fernandes and Kayla Turnbull, this workshop is geared to promote compassion and understanding in our school. Through a series of activities, media presentations and discussions, we hope to instill in each individual a sense of belonging, courage to stand up for what is right, a belief that all of us deserve to be treated with respect. We believe that each of us has the power to make a difference and are really looking forward to a special day with our grade 9 students! Kayla will be coming back to facilitate the workshop with the assistance of 8 grade 11 and 12 leaders and under the supervision of Mrs. Nazaroff.

OSS - April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CDAB 2121			1	2	3 Good Friday	4
5 BADC 2121	6 Easter Monday	7	8	9	10 Grad Photo Retakes	11
12 DCBA 21212	13	14 Last day term 1, sem. 2	15 Course Planning Parent Mtg. 6:00 pm OSS Theatre	16 Early dismissal @ 12:45 pm P-T Interviews @ 3—5pm and 6—8pm	17	18
19 ABCD 12121	20	21 Student Forum Best Western Hotel	22 First day term 2, sem.2 Quebec Trip Parent Mtg. 5:30 pm	23	24 Spring Fling at lunch Dance 3-5 pm	25
26 CDAB 21212	27 5pm Mandatory Dry Grad Parent Mtg. 6 pm PAC Meeting 7 pm Grade 7 Parent Mtg Theatre	28	29 Noon Dismissal Inquiry	30		

OSS Golf Team Schedule - April -May 2015

Location	Day	Date	Tee Times
Penticton	Tuesday	April 7	1:00 pm
Summerland	Monday	April 13	1:00 pm
Maggie—NkMip	Tuesday	April 21	1:30 pm
OSS—Osoyoos	Wednesday	April 29	12:00 pm
Princeton	TBD	May 4-8	TBD
Fairview—South Valleys	Wednesday	May 13	12:40 pm
Valleys	Mon-Fri	May 18-22	TBD
Provincials A	Sunday-Tuesday	May 24-26	TBD
AA	Sunday-Tuesday	May 24-26	TBD
AAA	Monday-Tuesday	May 25-26	TBD

Sr. Girls Soccer Schedule for April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	30 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	31 <i>Leave after school for Burnaby</i>	1 Guildford Tournament	2 Guildford Tournament	3	4
5	6	7 H 4pm vs Princeton	8 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	9 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	10 Kelowna Secondary Tournament	11 Kelowna Secondary Tournament
12	13 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	14 A 4pm vs Keremeos	15	16 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	17 Home Tournament	18 Home Tournament
19	20 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	21 A 4pm vs Oliver	22	23 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	24 Merritt Tournament	25 Merritt Tournament
26	27 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	28 H 4pm vs Keremeos	29 <i>Practice 3 to 5</i>	30 A 4pm vs Summerland		