



SOUTHERN OKANAGAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

APRIL NEWSLETTER

Home of the Hornets!

Principal's Message

Happy spring, everyone! Planning for the 2021-22 school year is now in full swing. Over the past 6 weeks counsellors have been working with students to plan courses for next year. They will also be visiting our elementary schools as part of our Grade 7 Transition plan. Very soon we will be building the timetable based on student requests.

As a reminder, the end of the term is Wednesday, April 21. Report cards will be available to be accessed on the Family Portal shortly after that. If your child has received an "I" report, this is an indication that they are at risk of not being successful in a specific course. If your son or daughter needs extra support in one of their classes, please contact their teacher immediately.

Grads don't forget to check out the Scholarship and Bursary applications in the office. The deadlines are coming up quickly. Meat and Flower fundraising sheets are also available in the office. The deadline for submissions is Monday, April 19th. Our Graduation Ceremony will be held on Monday, June 28th (more information to follow).

With the recent update in Health & Safety protocols, please ensure that your child brings their mask to school and sanitizes regularly. Students are required to wear their masks while in their classrooms and in all common spaces. The only time they don't wear their masks is while eating or drinking in their designated space.

Next week, we will be busy with the Literacy and Numeracy Assessments for grade 10 students. We encourage all students to do their best on these assessments. Times and dates are posted in the front foyer. See Ms. Smith if you have any questions.

Finally, please take a few minutes to complete the parent version of the Student Learning Survey. This Ministry survey helps us in planning for our future. The link to complete this Survey is included in the Newsletter and can be found on the website under the heading "Student Learning Survey".

Have a great week!

T. Harrington



Important Dates

April 12-16	Literacy/Numeracy Assessments
April 12-16	Spirit Week
April 14	Grad Parent Information Meeting, 7:00pm via Teams
April 15	Pac Meeting via ZOOM, 6:30pm
April 19	Grad Fundraising Orders Due
April 21	End of Quarter 3
April 22	Beginning of Quarter 4
April 28	Inquiry Day, Classes out at 11:52am

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Tennis Club

The SOSS Tennis Team is starting up and will be practicing Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00-4:30pm at the community tennis courts. The SOSS Tennis Team is open for all students grade 8-12 and all ability levels. If you are interested in joining the team, please come out and join us.



Ultimate Frisbee

The Ultimate Frisbee Team will be starting up the season on Tuesday April 13th. Practices are being held Tuesday & Thursday from 3:00 – 4:30 pm. Coaches and athletes are very excited to resume play after the 2020 season was canceled due to online learning & COVID-19 restrictions. The team is open to all skills, grade levels and genders. This year there will be no competition against other schools, so our focus will be on Ultimate skill development and providing a safe space for students to socialize and have fun in an outdoor environment. We look forward to what 2021 will bring as we work towards a return to competition for the 2022 season. See you on the pitch Hornets!

Head Coach of SOSS Ultimate Frisbee - Richard Hall



Skateboard Club

Skateboard club is back! Grab a permission form from outside Rm. 206 and return it ASAP. We will be skating Wednesdays after school. Be sure to bring your forms to Mr. McKinnon in Room 206 (or leave it in the office for me). All skaters will need a skateboard (scooters and longboards are okay, no bikes though), a helmet and permission before they can attend. Everyone is welcome, even if you've never skated in your life.

The following clubs are currently being offered at SOSS. New members are always welcome, and students who have ideas for other clubs are encouraged to share their ideas.

Math Club—Mondays at lunch

Yoga Club—Mondays at 3pm

Student Voice Club—Monday at lunch

Chess Club—Wednesdays at lunch

WE Can Talk Club—Wednesdays at lunch

Skateboard Club—Wednesdays afterschool

SAGA Club—Fridays at lunch

News from your PAC

PAC meets via Zoom, and strives to meet on the third Thursday of each month (except for Dec, March, and June). If you would like to join in the conversation and hear from the School Administration and School Board Trustee, please reach out to us at sosspace53@gmail.com, To be added to the Zoom e-vite or contact Karen by phone 250-689-0130.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 15th at 6:30pm.

Student Learning Survey



The Student Learning Survey is posted on our website for students in grades 10 and 12 and their

parents. Students require their PEN (personal education number) to complete the survey and they have had time during class to complete this. Parents can login anonymously using this link. The information helps the school, district and Ministry of Education provide the best learning opportunities for our students.

<https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>

Course Planning for Next Year

All course requests should now be into the Student Portal in MyEducation BC. At this time we are reaching out to students to confirm courses and potential changes that need to happen to provide a full schedule. Please check your Parent/Student Portal to see what courses have been requested for you. Changes must be made with Ms. Ibaraki or Mrs. Goncalves, but we do ask that you login to verify that the correct courses are showing before we build the schedule. Students are asked to check their Teams Chat for messages requesting information to help make changes and to ensure that the best possible schedule can be created for them. Any questions please email rgoncalv@sd53.bc.ca or libaraki@sd53.bc.ca.

**Academic Year
2021-22**

Grad Fundraising



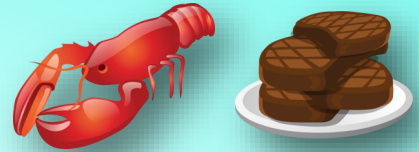
We now have the details of the Grad Spring Meat fundraiser. Order forms for both the meat and flower fundraisers are attached to this Newsletter or grads can pick up printed order forms in the school office. Completed order forms including payment are due back to the office by **Monday, April 19th** and our scheduled pick up day for all orders is Friday, May 7th between 3:30 – 6:00 PM at the front of the school.

This year the flower and vegetable orders can also be submitted online using a credit card following this link:

<https://southernokanagansecondary.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Remind grads to include their own name on the order form to earn credits towards their Grad fees!

Also don't forget to bring in your Buy-Low grocery receipts. These are used to buy gift cards from Buy Low, which are then used to purchase supplies for Grad events.



Grad Information

Please remember to check our grad page on the school website regularly to learn about important dates and scholarship opportunities. See Mrs. Koffler in the office for various and ongoing scholarship and bursary applications. Information regarding the provincial scholarship program can be found at:

<https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/awards> or

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/provincial-scholarships>

If you have applied to post Secondary institutions, be sure to check you personal and school email accounts regularly. The information the PSI may send is very important and often time sensitive. Don't forget to check each institution's Financial Aid section as there may be awards you can be applying for.

Capstone/CLC

All work for this required course is now overdue. Please check with your graduate that all required work has been completed. Student with outstanding work risk being removed from the grad list until all Capstone/CLC work has been completed.

GRAD PARENT INFORMATION

MEETING

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 14TH
7:00PM**

We will be using the Teams platform for this meeting. Parents will need to logon with your grad or your grad will need to log you in for the meeting. We will record the meeting and post it on teams for those that cannot attend.

Please contact Stacey Smith with any questions at ssmith@sd53.bc.ca.

SOSS Yearbook

The SOSS Yearbook construction is still in motion! Please remember that you can continue submitting all your fun school appropriate photos through the yearbook page on our school website. Let's make this year's yearbook memorable!

Springtime Spirit Week Dress-Up Days

Dress up days are April 12-16 and there will be prizes awarded everyday for the most creative dress-up costume

- Monday— Floral Day (the best floral outfit wins)
- Tuesday— Neon Day (the brightest most colorful outfit combo wins)
- Wednesday—Tacky Tourist day (the most convincing tacky tourist wins)
- Thursday—Jersey Day (the most unique or vintage jersey outfit wins)
- Friday—Spring Formal Day (the classiest outfit wins)



Order Form

Customer:		Phone:	
SOSS Grad:		Email:	
Quantity	Products supplied by GORDON Food Service	Price	Total
	Bacon - Applewood Smoked, frozen, 5 kg box	\$75	\$
	Beef Burgers, 5oz patties/ 30-pack	\$65	\$
	Chicken Breasts, Boneless, Skinless, 4 kg	\$50	\$
	Chicken Fingers, lightly breaded cutlets, frozen, 2 x 2 kg bags	\$65	\$
	Chicken Wings-Spicy, frozen 4 kg box	\$65	\$
	Chicken Wings-Honey Garlic, frozen 4 kg box	\$65	\$
	Ginger Beef, 4.8 kg box	\$60	\$
	Butcher Bundle - Best Date Night Ever, 4 pack/6oz steaks, 2lbs bacon wrapped scallops, 2 pack/4oz lobster tails	\$75	\$
	Prawns, 2lb bag	\$30	\$
	Steak AAA Top Sirloin, 6 oz each/ 16-pack	\$75	\$
	Pork Ribs, 10kg/20-24oz per rack	\$120	\$
	Chicken Souvlaki Kabob, Gluten Free 72g/36 pack	\$85	\$
	Veggie Beyond Burger, 4oz each/40-pack	\$110	\$
	Bacon Wrapped Scallops, 1oz/96-pack	\$85	\$
TOTAL ITEMS		TOTAL \$	
☐ Cash	☐ Cheque #		

***Orders are DUE Monday, April 19th ***

Please make all cheques payable to SOSS. All order must be PREPAID.

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Order Pick up is on Friday, May 7th at SOSS between 3:30-6:00 pm

<<Please bring this slip with you for pick up>>

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Southern Okanagan Secondary School
Class of 2021 - Flower Sales

Order Form

Customer:		Phone:	
SOSS Grad:		Email:	
Quantity	Products supplied by Growing Smiles Fundraising - DeVry Greenhouses	Price	Total
	12" Hanging Basket 	\$ 30	\$
	12" Patio Planter 	\$ 30	\$
	12" Hanging Strawberry Basket Enjoy fresh strawberries all summer. Beautiful and delicious! 	\$ 25	\$
	10 pack - 4" Herbs Variety to include sweet basil, Thai basil, thyme, chives onion, chives, garlic, mint, peppermint, oregano, parsley, rosemary 	\$ 30	\$
	10 pack - 4" Succulents Excellent variety and textures from echeveria, sedum, sedeveria and senecio families 	\$ 35	\$
	10 pack - 4" Veggies Varieties include tomatoes x 4, zucchini, kale, cucumber, peppers x 2, romaine 	\$ 30	\$
TOTAL ITEMS	☐ Cash ☐ Cheque # _____	TOTAL \$	

ORDER ONLINE by Monday, April 19th

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