FEBRUARY 2023

SOUTHERN OKANAGAN SECONDARY SCHOOL



HOME OF THE HORNETS



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The second semester is well underway, and parents/guardians should have access to their child's report card. If you or your child need assistance, please contact Mrs. Goncalves in the library.

A huge thank you to all our basketball coaches (Mrs. Burns – gr 8 girls; Mr. Kripps – gr 8 boys; Mr. Schulting Jr & Sr Girls with support from Mrs. Lang; Mr. Yuckin-Miller – Junior Boys; Mr. Gill and Mr. Baptiste – Sr. Boys) and to our staff who are running clubs. (SOGI- Ms. Shione; Art- Ms. Kingsfield; Student Voice – Ms. Scott, Ms. Laver & Ms. Martins; D&D – Mr. Johnson; Skateboard – Mr. McKinnon; Outdoor Club – Mr. Willms, Ms. Shione) We appreciate all the time and energy they have spent with our students.

The Outdoor Club, with Ms. Shione and Jenny Martin will be going rock-climbing on Tuesday, February 7th. This is a new club that will host one new activity each month. Listen to announcements for the next sign up.

We would also like to thank our PAC for all the support they offer to our students. To date they have supported the Celebration of Learning, Yearbook initiative, Art Club, Student Voice, SOGI Club, and athletics.

A reminder to all parents and students that the courses they select during Course Selection is the information that we use in building our timetable and staffing the school for next year. It is important that courses are thoughtfully selected. For more information, please go to the website.

Thank you to Mr. Russo, Mr. Podmorow, Mrs. Russo, Mr. Hall and the rest of the spirit committee for organizing the Winter Active Living Day on Thursday, February 16th. Paperwork and fees are due to the office/library by Wednesday, February 8th. This is going to be an epic day for everyone. We hope that everyone finds a way to get out and get active.

Link Crew is organizing the sale of Valentines treats starting this week. Listen to announcements for more details. Wednesday, February 22nd is Pink Shirt Day. Link Crew is in the process of organizing some fun activities for the students. Please wear your pink shirt to show your support.

Please note that the Grad List will be posted next week. Make sure to check it. If you are not on the list, that means that you are missing a graduation requirement. Please see one of the Grad Team members immediately. Grad Photos are February 28- March 2nd. Sign up and payment is required prior to the date. Please note that there is a "\$20 sitting fee" and an additional "group photo" fee of \$10pp. The deadline for Scholarships & Bursaries application is March 1st. This application is mandatory for SOSS scholarships. To be eligible for school scholarships, students must be taking a minimum of six courses at SOSS and be a student in good standing. There is a scholarship help session available after school on Thursday, February 23rd. If you have questions, please contact our Grad Team of Ms. Ibaraki, Mr. Burns, Mrs. Burns or Mrs. Harrington.

Mrs. Podmorow and her acting crew are busy preparing for A-Wop-Bop-A-Loo Bop. The play will run March 9-11. Tickets will be sold at our library. You won't want to miss out.

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IMPORTANT DATES

February 7 Outdoor Club Rock Climbing (indoor)

February 9 Grade 9 Immunizations
February 16 Winter Activity Day

February 16 PAC Meeting, 6:30 SOSS Library

February 17 Pro-D Day - No School February 20 Family Day - No School

February 22 Inquiry Day - Classes out at 11:57am

February 22 Pink Shirt Day
February 23 Mt. Baldy Ski Trip
February 28-March 2 Grad Photos

March 1 Scholarship Application Form Due

March 9-11 Musical Theatre Performance: A-WOP-BOP-A-LOO-BOP March 15 Parent Teachers Interviews 2pm-4pm and 5pm-7pm

COURSE SELECTIONS

Course selections for next year are underway. Information can be found on our school website to explain how to complete the process. All students must include their ideal schedule along with alternate choices just in case we can't schedule in one of your top choices.

- 1. See the website for the <u>Course Offerings Booklet</u> which has descriptions and some multi-media links to further explain the courses. If you are going into grades 10-12 the descriptions will be in <u>MyBlueprint</u> when you click on the course.
- 2.Grade 9 students (this year's grade 8's) will use the <u>Course Request Form</u> to make their selections, have the form signed and returned to Mrs. Goncalves in the Library.
- 3. Students in grades 10-12 next year will use MyBlueprint to select their courses for next year, submit their choices and then enter a parent/guradian email for approval. An information session will be provided for these students on Thursday February 9 to help guide students in their choices and answer specific questions.

All student requests are to be completed by February 24. If you have any questions about the process, or require some help, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Goncalves at rgoncalv@sd53.bc.ca.

Skateboard Club

SKATEBOARD CLUB WILL START UP AGAIN AFTER SPRING BREAK. IN THE MEANTIME, WE ARE LOOKING FOR A BETTER NAME AND A LOGO. WE HAVE TEAMED UP WITH RESPECT RECORD AND SKATE TO ANNOUNCE...

SOSS Skateboard Club Logo Design Contest



Calling all artists! We are looking for a cool new name and logo for our club. Enter your design to win an awesome prize package from Respect Record and Skate and to have your logo featured on club swag! Winning designs will feature:

- a catchy name
- School appropriate logo design which captures the spirit of our club
- clean design and legible font

Submit your design to jmckinno@sd53.bc.ca by March 3rd.

See poster or contact Mr. McKinnon for details.

A-WOP BOP A-LOO BOP
Presented by Southern Okanagan Secondary School
March 9, 10 © 7:00
March 11 © 2:00 & 7:00

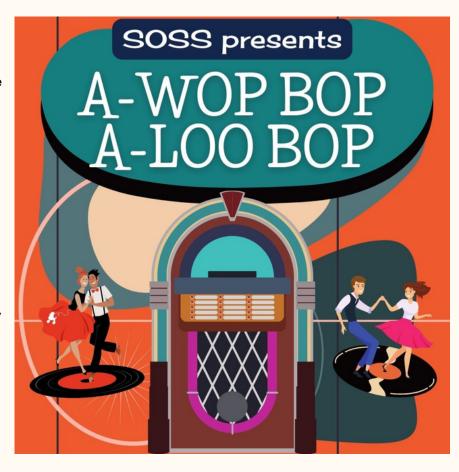
A jukebox celebration of the early days of Rock & Roll!

A-Wop Bop A-Loo Bop takes us back to the late 1950's as Rock & Roll is taking the airwaves by storm. Roberta "Ruby" Lester and her friends are spunky teenagers with dreams of making it big in the music business. But sometimes dreams don't go as planned. When the local radio station announces that "Rock'n'Roll has got to go", the kids take a stand for the music they love.

In the tradition of Hairspray, A-Wop Bop A-Loo Bop tells an original story based around real events in the late '50's and early '60's Rock & Roll era. This show features hit songs like "Rock Around The Clock", "Jailhouse Rock", "Tutti Frutti", "Up On the Roof", "The Loco-Motion", "I'm Sorry" and "Land Of 1000 Dances". This new jukebox musical will get a whole new generation rockin' around the clock!

TICKETS

Adults - \$18, Students \$13 Available at the Frank Venables Theatre on-line or at the box office



Indigenous Department

We would like to wish all the best to our **Indigenous Advocate Shannon Peltier** who is leaving us and has accepted a position with the Osoyoos Indian Band as a Youth Worker. She will be missed dearly! Good Luck Shan!

The SD#53 Annual Pow Wow Fundraiser is coming up on February 13th. Everyone is welcome!

Junior Girls Basketball

The SOSS Junior Girls baskeball team placed first in the league and will be hosting the zone playoffs Feb 9th and 10th. This is the first time the school has hosted the Junior Girls Final Four. The SOSS girls play at 5:30 on Thursday, with the finals taking place at 5:30 on Friday. The team members are:

Maia Bellingan, Harnoor Brar, Ozzie Crowe, Ishmeet Dhaliwal, Kismet Dhaliwal, Maya Faugno, Tai Flett, Meredith Lester, Chloe Luypen, Kate Noftle, Jordyn Nelson and Mayera Soni

VALENTINES'S DAY CANDY-O-GRAMS

Link crew is selling candy-o-grams, song-o-grams, and raffle tickets to win a gift basket for Valentine's Day. All this week Link 34728005916255 Crew will be outside of the Zen Den. Candy-o-grams will be sold for \$3.50 each or 2 for \$6, song-o-grams are \$4, and raffle tickets will be \$1 each.

Hope to see you there!

February

Cafeteria Menu

2023

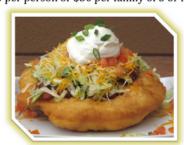
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Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
EXAMS NO SERVICE		EXAMS NO SERVICE	First Day of Semester 2 NO SERVICE Class orientation	PIZZA DAY	3 Kitchen Orientation NO SERVICE
FOOD SAFE COURSE NO SERVICE	6	7 Greek Chicken Focaccia bread Greek Salad Italian tortellini Soup Chocolate Bunt Cakes / Cupcakes	8 Beef and Broccoli Rice Tom Ka Gai Soup Chinese Raspberry coconut cake Chinese Steamed Bun	9 PIZZA DAY	10 Creamy Pesto Chicken Pasta Garlic Bread Italian Wedding Soup Lemon Loaf Cake
Butter Chicken Rice Dahl Gulab J <u>amin</u>	13	Feijoada Brigadeiro Chicken <u>Coxhina</u> Red pepper Tomato Soup Brazilian cheese biscuits	Bao Bun Sandwich Veggie Stir-fry Won ton soup Chinese Pineapple tarts	PIZZA DAY	PRO D NO SERVICE
Family Day No Service	20	21 Sherise Leslie Jamaican Food Tutorial Jerk Chicken and veggies Rice and Coco Bread Jamaican Soup Grater Cake	Inquiry Day No Service	PIZZA DAY	24 Italian Sausage bow tie pasta Garlic Bread Potato Leek Soup Cinnamon Buns
Meatball Subs Veggies Cream of Broccoli Soup Nanaimo Bars	27	28 Schnitzel and Roasted Veggies Mashed Potatoes Goulash Soup Black forest Cupcakes		Prices Entrée 5.00 Juice 1.00 Soup 3.00 small 5.00 large Baked Good 1.00 Dessert. 1.00 -3.00	Menu is subject to change

SD# 53 Annual Powwow Fundraiser

<u>Come out and enjoy a Bannock Taco</u> <u>dinner, a Loonie Auction & 50/50 Draw</u>

> Date: February 13, 2023 Location: OIB Community Hall (6046 Sandpoint Drive Oliver, BC) Time: 5:00p.m.

Taco dinner and pop or water: \$10 per person or \$30 per family of 5 or more



Everyone Welcome!

All proceeds go to our SD# 53 Annual Powwow Event held April 21 & 22, 2023 at SOSS

Organized by Tuc-El-Nuit Elementary, OK Falls Elementary & Southern Okanagan Secondary School Indigenous Advocates

