

SOUTHERN OKANAGAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2022

Home of the Hornets!

Principal's Message

Welcome Back Everyone! Each new year brings optimism and new beginnings. Staff have been preparing to ensure a smooth continuity of learning. Please have your child check in with their teachers via TEAMS as there is important information posted. Teachers are not doing blended learning; but will provide assignments on Teams in the event that some students may have to stay home due to illness.

Semester 1 is winding down with exams running Wednesday, January 26 to Friday, January 28th. Students are only required to attend exam days when they are writing. Semester 2 begins January 31st. The exam schedule will be posted on the website this week and is also included in the Newsletter. Please let the office know if there are any exam conflicts.

Course selection for the 2022-23 school year will begin in early February. Information will be posted on our website. Counsellors will be working with students to assist in course selections. Please make sure that your child is able to access their portal. If you need assistance, please contact Mrs. Goncalves.

Our counsellors and Indigenous Advocates, along with Admin will continue with the Breakfast program in the New Year. Thanks to PAC and a grant from The Children's Charity for supporting this initiative.

A reminder to grads that your Capstone requirements will be due very soon. Please see Mr. Burns, Mrs. Harrington, Ms. Ibaraki or Mrs. Goncalves if you have questions. Grad photos will be February 28-March 4.

Tracy Harrington
Principal

Important Dates to Remember

January 13	Ski Trip to Apex
January 19	Inquiry Time Early Dismissal, 11:57am
January 25	End of Semester 1/Term 3
January 26-28	Exam Week (see attached schedule)
January 31	First day of Semester 2/Term 3 classes



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Ski Trip



We have 3 Ski Trips happening in January and February. The first one is January 13 to Apex, which is now full, and the other two are February 14 to either Apex or Mt. Baldy (students can choose) and one later on in February to Mt. Baldy. These trips are open to all students. A form must be filled out and returned with payment. Forms can be picked up from the P.E. office and payment can be made to the Accounting Office. Spots will fill up fast so, let's get out and have some fun up on the hill!!

Clubs & Activities

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.

Art Club—Mondays afterschool

Student Voice Club— Tuesdays at lunch

SAGA Club— Fridays at lunch

Join
a Club!

Course Selections

It is time to start thinking about course planning and selections for next year already. Students are asked to login to their Family Portal using their student account before Friday, January 28th. As this process is completed in MyEd, all students need to have logged into their account before course selections begin. You can access the Family Portal using this [link](#). If you have questions please see Mrs. G in the Library.

Grads

Capstone

The Capstone Project and CLC are requirements for graduation in British Columbia. In order to complete this graduation requirement ,all students must complete the following:

- 30 hours of Work/Volunteer/Work Experience Hours. 15 hours can be carried forward from summer and the remainder of the hours must be dated from September onward.
- Reflection Response on the impact of the work/volunteer experience
- Health & Wellness Plan
- Personal Pitch



All of this information can be found in the Teams 2022 CLC app for students to complete and submit the work. Time slots for Presentations will be available for students to sign up for the Personal Pitch in the office. Please listen to the announcements for specific dates.

Bursary and Scholarship Application Form - The application form for school-based bursary and scholarships will be made available in the office this month. All 2022 Grads are encouraged to complete the application as soon as possible. The deadline for return of completed applications is March 1st.

Grad Photos



Grad 2022 photos are scheduled for the week of February 28th. Sign-up sheets will be available in the office beginning February 1st.

STUDENT VOICE

"FLOODRAISER"

Members of the STUDENT VOICE CLUB packed the donated items received at our school for the victims of the floods in Princeton and surrounding area in December. Alan Madison of the Salvation Army collected the two dozen boxes and bags on December 16th with project leader, Shael Narayan. Shael was grateful to everyone who donated clothing, school supplies, food and other essentials for those people who were displaced by the floods. The event name, FloodRaiser, was coined by grade 8 student, Ari Kendrick, who also read school announcements over the PA with fellow classmate, Hugo Pickell. The posters were made by Rylee Chapdelaine and Lizzy Johnson.



Harveer Brar, Ansh Sharma, Nathan Millward and Eiktaran Bahniwal



Zephyr Pickell, Takdir Dhaliwal,
Emma Millward and Hasnoor Tung



Alan Madison and Shael Narayan

CHRISTMAS CLASSROOM DECORATING

Members of the STUDENT VOICE CLUB organized a Christmas Classroom Decorating Contest for the last week of classes before the break. The runner up was Mr. Cruickshank's Math 9 class, and the winner was Mr. Khodarahmi's Pre-Calculus 11 class. The committee leaders, Harneet, Harleen, and Samantha thank the judges and classes who participated in the school spirit event. The prizes will be awarded in January.



CAFETERIA MENU

3 Holidays-School Closed	4 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	5 Day 1 	6 Day 2 Pizza Day	7 Day 1 		
10 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	11 Day 1 Mac N' Cheese🍷 Tomato Basil Soup🍷	12 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	13 Day 1 Tikka Masala & Naan Broccoli Cheddar Soup🍷	14 Day 2 Pizza Day		
17 Day 1 Beef Burritos🍷 Red Pepper Corn Chowder🍷	18 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	19 Day 1 Inquiry Day No Service	20 Day 2 Pizza Day	21 Day 1 Sausage & Egger🍷 Chicken Gnocchi Soup Smoothies		
24 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	25 Day 1 Spicy Chicken/Veg Burgers🍷 Corn Bacon Chowder	26 Day 1 Exam Week-No Service	27 Day 2 Exam Week-No Service	28 Day 1 Exam Week-No Service		
JANUARY 2022			Entrée	\$4.00	Desserts	\$0.50-\$1.00
			Small Soup	\$3.00	Juice	\$1.00
			Large Soup	\$4.00		
			*soup served with fresh bread			

SOSS PAC

The PAC board members have been elected! The 2021/2022 members are Mindy Ward as Chair, Joanne Schaffrick as Treasurer and Jocelyn Kirs as Secretary.



The SOSS PAC is here to ensure that parents and caregivers have an organized voice in their child's' education. PAC offers an opportunity to be involved in the student experience (eg. by providing funding for some extracurricular activities, field trips, clubs); while providing parents with a place to voice any concerns or issues. We also receive direct feedback from the school administration and School Board Trustee at each of our meetings.

PAC meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of each month via ZOOM (no meetings in December, March or June). Next meeting will be January 20 at 6pm. To access the Zoom meeting, please click the following link. <https://sd53-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/65768479446>

If you have any questions please contact PAC at sosspac53@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you January 20.

*Get
Involved!*

JANUARY 2022 EXAM SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 26

8:30 - 10:30

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 8:15 - 10:35	Invigilator Relief
English 12 AP Lit	Laver - B	208	Laver	
English 12	Laver - D	204		
Law 12	Metlewsky - B	210	Metlewsky	
Human Geography 12	Hill - B	202	Hill	
Earth Science 11	Russo - B	117	Russo	
Math 11 - Pre-Calc	Khodarahmi - A	108	Khodarahmi	
Math 11 - Pre-Calc	Kaiser - B	117	Kaiser	
Spanish 10	Frank - B	204	Frank	
Science 10	Wurflinger - B	116	Wurflinger	
Science 9	Wurflinger - A	105		
Social Studies 9	Podmorow - B	907	Podmorow	
Social Studies 8	Stopa - B	209	Stopa	

12:00 - 2:00

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 11:45 - 2:05	Invigilator Relief
Anatomy 12	Russo - A	117	Russo	
Physics 12	Lang - A	119	Lang	
Social Studies 10	Stopa - A	209	Stopa	
Social Studies 10	Stopa - D	202		
Social Studies 10	Metlewsky - A	210	Metlewsky	
Social Studies 9	Martins - A	907	Martins	
Math 9	Cruickshank - A	207	Cruickshank	
Math 8	Seminoff - B	105	Seminoff	
Math 8	Seminoff - C	104		
Math 8	Cruickshank - B	208		

Thursday, January 27

8:30 - 10:30

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 8:15 - 10:35	Invigilator Relief
Chemistry 12	McIntyre - C	118	McIntyre	
Math 12 - Pre-Calc	Khodarahmi - C	108	Khodarahmi	
Psych 12	Scott - C	207	Scott	
Life Sciences 11	Wurflinger - C	116	Wurflinger	
Lit 11	Baerg - C	202	Baerg	
Science 10	Lang - C	119	Lang	
English 10	Shione - C	205	Shione	
Social Studies 9	Setrakov - C	206	Setrakov	
Science 9	Kaiser - C	117	Kaiser	
Social Studies 8	Russo - C	210	Russo	

12:00 - 2:00

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 11:45 - 2:05	Invigilator Relief
Physics 11	Lang - D	119	Lang	
Chemistry 11	McIntyre - D	118	McIntyre	
Math (FMP) 10	Kaiser - D	108	Kaiser	
Math (FMP) 10	Schulting - A	104	Schulting	
French 9	Scott - D	207	Scott	
Science 9	Seymour - D	117	Seymour	
Social Studies 8	Metlewsky - D	210	Metlewsky	

Friday, January 28 - I Day, Conflict Exams and Grade 10 Assessments

8:30 - 10:30 (11:30)

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 8:15 - 10:35	Invigilator Relief
Gr. 10 Numeracy Assessment		906		

12:00 - 2:00 (3:00)

Exam	Teacher/Block	Test Room	Invigilator 11:45 - 2:05	Invigilator Relief
Gr. 10 Literacy Assessment		906		

Please be aware that these times could change. If changes do occur, students will be made aware.