



SOUTHERN OKANAGAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Home of the Hornets!

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Where does the time go? It has been a busy few months here at SOSS. Sports teams and clubs are up and running and students have settled into a routine. Mrs. Podmorow and Link Crew have been organizing many activities to help build community and connect with each other.

School Plan presentations will be held at the Venables Theatre on November 8th at 4:00pm.

Parent Teacher Interviews were held recently. If you didn't get a chance to connect with your child's teacher, please email them directly. The end of the term is November 9th and report cards will be available online the following week. We will send out a notification email to let you know when they are posted.

The Remembrance Day assembly will be organized by the Social Studies department and done virtually. Thank you to Mrs. Stopa and Ms. Metlewsky for taking the lead on this very important assembly.

The Breakfast Club is operating again this year. Students are greeted in the morning at the front door with music, smiles and pre-packaged goodies. Thank you to Mrs. Gittel, Mrs. Dhaliwal, Ms. Ibaraki. Mr. Wilms, Shynai Borho and Shan Peltier for organizing this. It is a great way to help students start their day. Also, a huge thank you to Sam Marsel and her team for continuing to support our priority families with the Starfish program.

Mr. Kitt and Mr. Burns met with the Grad Committee this week. Our first Grad Parent meeting will be Tuesday, November 9th at 7pm via TEAMS. If you are unable to attend, please see the information posted on TEAMS and on our website. Our Meat & Flower Grad Fundraising has already begun. See one of our grads to stock up!

T. Harrington

Dates to Remember

November 9	Grad parent Meeting, via Teams, 7pm
November 10	Remembrance Day Virtual Assembly
November 11	Remembrance Day, No School
November 10	Start of Term 2
November 15	Grad Poinsettia /Greenery Orders due
November 18	PAC Meeting, ZOOM, 6:30pm
November 18	Grade 9 Immunizations
November 19	Grad Frozen Meat Orders due



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Late Bus

Last bus will be running again this year. It will pick up on Mondays in front of the school at 4:45pm for any students who wish to stay afterschool for any reason and will be going to OK Falls.



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.

SAGA Club— Fridays at lunch

Student Voice—Tuesdays at lunch

Art Club—Mondays afterschool

Homework Club—Monday – Thursday afterschool

Join
a Club!

Student Voice Club



LILAH SMITH 1ST PLACE

The Student Voice Club is planning a School Merch Sale in November. There was a contest for the Club members to create the design of the logo. The 1st place winner of the logo Contest is Lilah Smith! She will receive some Student Voice Merch, Halloween candy and another Student Voice prize. The 2nd place winner was Hasnoor Tung! Congratulations Lilah and Hasnoor. Student Voice will be using last years logo for the Merch.

LISTEN TO THE MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON ORDERING MERCH.



HASNOOR TUNG 2ND PLACE



Online Payment System

Student Quick Pay allows you to pay by credit card online [HERE](#). You can purchase a lunch card, pay student fees, and athletic fees, all from the comfort of your own home! If you have questions, please call 250-498-4931.

Grad Information



The Grad 2022 winter fundraiser has begun. Grads will be selling frozen meat and food items and an amazing selection of floral and greenery products.

The Frozen Food orders and payments are due back to the office by Friday, November 19th. Payment can be made by cash or cheque. We can also accept debit and credit card payment in person at the school. The Flower and Greenery order deadline is Monday, November 15th. You can order online for the flower and greenery orders at:

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

Order forms are included with the Newsletter.

All orders will be ready for pickup Friday, December 3rd between 3:30 – 6:00 PM in the parking lot in front of SOSS.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kitt or Mrs. Koffler.



Jr Girls Volleyball 10

The Jr. Girls Volleyball 10 team played a lot of volleyball over the month of October. They participated in The Junior Hornets tournament and played league matches against various teams around the South Okanagan. Although the results were not always there, the girls have steadily improved their play throughout the season. The girls finish off their season with home games against Summerland, Princess Margaret Secondary and the SOSS 9 team. Playoffs will happen during the second week of November. Way to go Hornets!



Indigenous Department

The Indigenous department has been busy going to classes and working with our students. Over the course of the month, we learned how to play stick games with a math 10 class, we had a couple of our students help to teach the class how to play. The advocates have also been doing smudges with our students when they need them and our girls' and boys' group have started. There is also a homework club in the gathering room Monday to Thursday from 2:45 to 4:00pm. Students who need time to work on assignments please feel free to come.

Field Hockey

The Field Hockey season wrapped up just before the frost covered the grass!

Our Senior and Junior teams played a lot of games in the final weeks, improved a lot and enjoyed all the on-field battles. Graduating seniors Navi Dhaliwal, Jade Stevens, Dylan Faulkner and Faryn Janzen played their last games as Field Hockey Hornets last week and were honoured by their teammates. We will miss them.

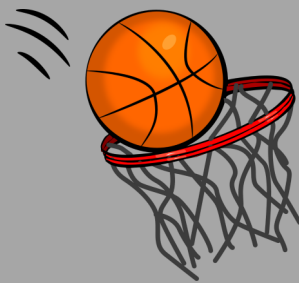
Mrs. Stopa, Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Russo and Mrs. Nofle had so much fun with this crew that after a nap or two they'll be counting the days until the 2022 season.



Basketball Season

The Fall season is quickly flying by, and basketball season is on the horizon. We are excited to see our teams hit the court and expect to have teams at the Grade 8, Junior, and Senior levels for both the boys and the girls at SOSS. We currently have 3 coaching vacancies that need to be filled. The teams in our school that are currently without a coach include:

Grade 8 Boys Basketball
Junior Boys Basketball
Senior Girls Basketball



Parents, alumni, or community members who are interested in coaching are asked to contact the SOSS Athletic Director, Mr. Podmorow, to arrange to set-up an information meeting for more details.

To set up a meeting please contact Mr. Podmorow by email at: spodmoro@sd53.bc.ca or contact him by phone at 250 498 4931.

Junior Girls Basketball Fundraising

The Jr Girls Basketball team is holding a bottle drive this Saturday, November 6th from 10 am to 3 pm. There will be players at the school in the back parking lot and coming around the community accepting bottles and donations. We appreciate your support for the upcoming season.

BOTTLE DRIVE

FUNDRAISING

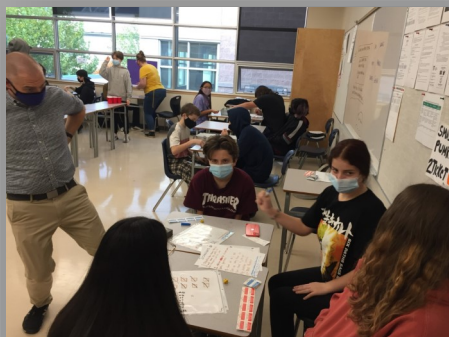


News from PAC

November, 18th PAC meeting and AGM will be at 6:30pm

Participate in the parent community, join our PAC Board, hear from the School Admin and District, and get involved in your child's educational experience. Please contact sosspac53@gmail.com for the Zoom Invite link.

Grade 10 Workplace Math



In Grade 10 Workplace Mathematics students have been investigating the role probability plays in our lives. From intuitive probability (will I make it on time to school if I leave at 8:10) to casinos and lottery probabilities, it is amazing how much we use this thinking in our lives.

As a culmination to the unit, students created their own games based on probabilities and held a carnival in our classroom. Complete with snacks and prizes, the students had games ranging from card-based games to balloon popping. Thanks to all the classes and staff who came out to participate and support our learners.



Cafeteria Menu

1 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	2 Day 1 Wonton Soup Chow Mein and Ginger Beef 🍷 Cookie Crumble Sundaes	3 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	4 Day 1 Loaded Baked Potato Soup Turkey Dinner Wraps 🍷 Lemon Tarts	5 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍷
8 Day 1 TAKE A BITE OF BC SUPPORT LOCAL PRODUCERS BC Turkey Soup Ham, Apple Cheddar Panini 🍷 BC Apple Crisp	9 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	10 Day 1 TAKE A BITE OF BC SUPPORT LOCAL PRODUCERS BC Butternut Squash Soup 🍷 BC Meatballs w/pasta 🍷 BC Apple Blondies	11 Remembrance Day No School	12 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍷
15 Day 1 Thai Chicken Soup Breakfast Sandwiches 🍷 Berry Crepes & Vanilla Cream	16 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	17 Day 1 Corn Chowder 🍷 Santa Fe Chicken Chocolate Mousse	18 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	19 Day 1 Pizza Day 🍷
22 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	23 Day 1 French Onion Soup 🍷 BLT's 🍷 Brownies	24 Day 2 Inquiry Day No Service	25 Day 1 Minestrone Soup 🍷 Cheesy Chicken Rice Casserole Chocolate Banana Spring Rolls	26 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍷
29 Day 1 Pork or Veg Salad Rolls 🍷 Lemongrass Beef/Chicken 🍷 Vietnamese Iced Coffee	30 Day 2 Cold Service Grab and Go Snacks Baked Goods	NOVEMBER 2021		

🍷 = vegetarian option available

**menu subject to change – check cafeteria TV☺