

# JUNE NEWSLETTER

*Home of the Hornets!*

## Our Mission:

*At SOSS, we inspire and support individuals to develop their full potential and to demonstrate a respectful, responsible commitment to community and society.*



## Principal's Message

With only two weeks of classes left, it is certainly crunch time for many of our students and staff. The final interim reports were sent home this Tuesday and parents should have received them by now. These reports were for students who are in danger of not being successful in one or more of their classes. We are providing after school support for any student who is behind in their course work and teachers are recommending students for completion club after school. Students must take advantage of these interventions and put in the extra effort that is required to meet the learning outcomes in their classes. For those who have received interims, these are the final days to get credit for your courses...don't waste this final opportunity. Please see the article in this newsletter about our exciting new program we are offering next year for our grade 9 and 10 students. The EPIC program (Experiential, Project based, Indigenous, Community) is a one semester program designed to provide students a new kind of

experience in meeting the learning outcomes for their four courses they would normally take in one semester. The students will work together with one teacher, Mr. Ryan Baptiste and others, and take part in project based activities, experience learning outside the walls of the classroom, and develop a strong understanding of the aboriginal culture and history of our area. Students will help guide and develop many of the projects and will work together to gain a greater understanding of themselves as learners as well as their courses. SOSS is very excited to be introducing this program and envision other programs similar to this, being offered in the future for our senior students. Please contact administration or Ryan Baptiste if you would like to discuss the EPIC program for your son or daughter. Entrance into this program is through an application process and is open to all grade 9 and 10 students. There have been some staff changes for next year. After 28 years at SOSS, Doris Kuehn has decided to retire. She has been the cornerstone of our Art Department and will be sadly missed.

We are also saying goodbye to Amos Ayensu, Nathan Woollard, Lauren Ibaraki and Jesse McKinnon. We wish these fine educators the best of luck with their careers.

We are excited to welcome Margie Nazaroff and Graeme Baerg who are transferring to us from OSS and SESS. Mrs. Nazaroff will fill the role of a second counsellor at our school and Mr. Baerg will be our Learning Assistance teacher next year. Good luck in your exams. We wish our grads well in their last days of high school and are looking forward to celebrating with them at our Graduation Ceremonies on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

-M. Toneatto

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## Important Dates to Remember

June 4	School Spirit Day
June 15	Band Concert, 4:00 pm, Community Center Band Shell
June 15	Awards Ceremony, Main Gym
June 16	Aboriginal Grad, 5:00 pm
June 18	Last day of classes
June 19-25	Final exams (schedule attached)
June 23	Scholarship & Bursary night, 5:30 pm, Atrium
June 25	Grad Ceremony, 7:00 pm, Main Gym
June 26	Administrative day, NO SCHOOL

### Reminder!

Parents please use Gala Street to drop off and pick up students.

For safety reasons, the bus lane and parking lots are for staff and students only.

## What's Happening at SOSS

### Club Schedule

**Writing Club**— Mr. McKinnon

-Tuesdays at lunch

**Art Club**— Mrs. McVicar

- Thurs @ lunch

& Fri @ 3pm

**Auto Club**— Mr. Hofman

-Tues & Thurs @ 3pm

**Jazz Band**— Ms. Ante

- Mon. @ 3pm

**Beading**— Ms. Terabasket

-Wed @ lunch, AbEd

**Leadership**— Mrs. Harrington

-as per announcements

**Chronicle Writing**— Mr. Kitt

-articles in by Friday

**FitClub**— Mrs. Stopa

-Wed @ 3pm

### Yearbook

There are 30 yearbooks from 2013-2014. The cost of the yearbooks from last year is now \$50 and there are no more once these are sold. If you haven't purchased this years book the cost is still \$45.

For graduating students please make sure that you have submitted your baby photos and write-ups to Mrs. G.

### Hornet Wear

Sorry staff and students, but due to not enough sales, our hornet wear order could not be placed. Anyone who has already paid for hornet wear can see Mrs. Jones in the office to be reimbursed.

### Social Justice Fundraiser

Mrs. Riordan's Social Justice 12 class is hosting a fundraiser on June 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. They will be selling unisex bracelets and henna tattoo's in the Atrium during the lunch break on those days. All proceeds will benefit KIVA, a non-profit organization helping those in need. Price lists will be posted on a various posters around the school so watch for more information.



### Did you know...

*The month of June is named for Juno, the goddess of marriage. June's birth flowers are the honeysuckle and the rose*

## Grad 2015

Grad 2015 is fast approaching! Mark your calendars for these important dates:

- June 23rd— Scholarship & Bursary night
- June 25th— Grad Ceremony, 7:00pm

Tickets for the Grad dinner are now on sale in the office. Cost is \$20.00/guest; Grads are free. Students may purchase two tickets up until June 8. After June 8, students will be able to purchase extra tickets for additional family members.

Grad ceremony tickets will be available in the office later next week. Students will receive up to a maximum of 10 tickets for guests.



*"In the end, people are persuaded not by what we say, but by what they understand."*  
-John C. Maxwell

## Punjabi

Mrs. Sharma's Punjabi 9 class has had a pretty busy week. On May 27<sup>th</sup>, the Punjabi 9 class left at 6:30 in the morning to attend the Punjabi Film Festival held at Panorama Ridge Secondary in Surrey. All of the films were very well done including our school's film "Ehsas" by: Sherry Brar, Anmol

Brar, Jasmeen Bajwa, Navneet Gill and Gavin Buttar. A big thank you to Mrs. Windley for driving the bus on this fun trip.

On Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup>, Punjabi 9 boys performed bhangra at Lion's park for the Lion's Club 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Vishal Ratte, Preet Khela, Sahij Gill, Harsh

Gill, Shan Gill, Justin Dhillon, Sunny Sra and Harshbir Khangu did a wonderful job and even performed an encore! The Punjabi class helped selling samosas and raised around \$370. All the money was donated to the Lion's Club. Great Work Hornets!



## Notes from the District Social Emotional Committee

### A Better Way . . . Positive Discipline

Positive discipline, based on love and limits, is common sense. It's often the simple, sensible choices we tend to overlook as options, especially when we're in the heat of a kid battle. Unlike punishment, positive discipline works to maintain the dignity of both child and parent by helping the child want to cooperate because he/she knows it's the right thing to do, not because he feels he/she has to comply "or else." It has three main objectives:

- To put a stop to misbehavior (such as whining, lying, hitting, tantrums).
- To encourage good behaviors (i.e., cleaning up, healthy eating, using manners).
- To strengthen the relationship between parent and child.

The starting place for positive discipline is with you. It involves modeling good behavior – the kind you'd like from your child. As you have already discovered, children will do as you do, not necessarily as you say. To review the kind of behavior you expect, schedule private discussions and family meetings to revisit a situation without blame, shame, fear, or guilt. When the child has input into solving the problem, he is more inclined to want to cooperate as planned when a similar situation arises. The process helps him feel important. But keep in mind that you have full veto power. Over time, a well-disciplined child learns to control his impulses, take responsibility, solve problems, and empathize with others.

See more at: <http://www.communitiesforkids.ca/parenting-information/#sthash.ZU70ZRCw.dpuf>

*June's birthstones, alexandrite, moonstone and the pearl, represent health and longevity, change & new beginnings, and purity of heart & faith.*



*"Think big thoughts  
but relish  
small pleasures"*  
-H. Jackson Brown, Jr.



### Grade 8 Field Hockey

The Grade 8 field hockey team wrapped up their spring season last week with an away game at McNichol Park. The girls played well and had fun despite the long grass and bumpy field. Well done to all the girls in Grade 6, 7 and 8 who came out to learn and play!

### Senior Girls Soccer

The senior girls soccer team finished their season with two tough games, both of which ended in defeat despite their efforts. The highlight of the season was their trip to Nakusp. The girls would like to thank Mr. Andy Marsel for volunteer coaching, and to Ms. Ibaraki for being their teacher sponsor and co-coach.

## Athletics Golf

The golf team made it to Valley's. but due to tough competition they were unable to advance beyond that. Thanks to Mr. Kitt for coaching, well done boys on a great season!

### Tennis

Thank you to all the students who came out for tennis this year. Although the group did not compete, the recreational play developed their skills and their enjoyment of the sport. Thanks again to Mrs. Windley and Dr. Leinor for coaching this group.



### Golf:

From top: Ethan Williams, Jamie Fortune, Tyson Marsel. Above, Levi Harris

### Tennis Team

Back row: Mrs. Windley, Tatum Brogan, Nina Oliveira, Josh Windley, Nick Oliveira, Aiden Cook, Coach Brandt Leinor.

Front row: Navneet Dhaliwal, Satbir Aujla, Komal Dhaliwal, Kaden Chernoff.



### Senior Girls Soccer

Back row: Coach Andy Marsel, Selina Mason, Brianna Agostinho, Tiffany Heinrichs, Tatum Brogan, Harmen Dhaliwal, Loveleen Gill, Rayleen Chyzzy, Coach Ms. Ibaraki.

Front row: Kenzie Harrington, Kalli Marsel, Anya Nazaroff, Cassidy Ward, Simran Gill, Teija Anderson, Ishika Gill.



## Grade 7 Transition BBQ



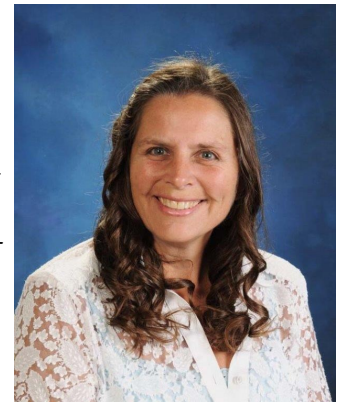
The Gr. 12's & the Leadership club organized a hot dog lunch for the Grade 7 orientation day. Far left: Sumeet Bajwa, Austin Basso, Harsh Khela, Karan Mann. Left: Tatum Brogan, Savanna Rowe, Muneet Gill. Below left: Josh Windley & Marko Bosnjak. Below: Grade 7's in the "U".



## Farewell Mrs. Kuehn!

*I have had an amazing teaching career, with the last 28 years here at Southern Okanagan Secondary School. I have had the pleasure of teaching at this wonderful school and been in the company of a diverse and talented staff. I have seen SOSS rise from the ashes and continue to offer excellent education to the town of Oliver. It was my pleasure to live and work here, and watch my three children graduate from SOSS. I will miss my place at here, but it is time to explore new opportunities on a personal level.*

*During my teaching career I was able to experience many teaching areas: Visual Arts, Photography, Information Technology, Web-Design, Yearbook, Business Education, Home Economics, Physical Education, Math, Science, Social Studies, English and even German. I knew in Kindergarten that I would be a teacher, and that I did do indeed. I certainly appreciate when former students see me, remind me of what they remember and enjoyed in my class and thank me for being their teacher. I mattered! It is nice to be appreciated, but most of all, I appreciate all the students I have met over my career. Every student brought ideas and experiences to my life that made my job an ever evolving life-long learning experience. Each school year brought opportunity to try new things. It doesn't get any better than that! And so I say goodbye to SOSS, my second home. It has been my pleasure to work here. I wish you all a happy life, as I have had here, and as I will have in the unknown future. And be sure to include some Art in your life!*



-Doris Kuehn

*"Every artist was first  
an amateur"*  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson



## Senior Art





## Junior Art



Art from Mrs. Kuehn's junior students. Top row: Hannah Matias, Komal Dhaliwal. Middle row: Kiranjit Toor, Kara Hanley, Nina Oliveira. Third row: Johanne Jeffries, Laaty James, Ethan Williams. Bottom: Laaty James





# • SOSS ABORIGINALS •

## Our Year in Review

What a year it has been, this year we have gone through a few changes, welcoming a new aboriginal support staff Alanna Waunch and Aboriginal Teacher Ryan Baptiste. Ryan started a new program, project-based learning with our Aboriginal support class in both semesters. We look forward to continuing these opportunities for students next year with the EPIC program starting February 2016.

### Cultural Activities

We started a few new cultural activities for the students this year; our bannock mak-

ing, a hike to nylintn (mcintyre bluff), and our upcoming year end gathering and double-ball tournament. We are hoping that some of these will continue into the fall.

We have been linking up with the other aboriginal students within the district including them into our activities and sharing ideas. It has been great making connections and we look forward to future activities.

### Ongoing Cultural Activities

Every year we have certain activities we put together for

the students our tours to post-secondary institutions, our information night for parents, spittem digging on the land, participating in the salmon-fry release, monthly lunches and the credited R'Native Voice afterschool program. We have appreciated partnering with the Osoyoos Indian Band Youth Archery & Canoe Programs.

We look forward to an amazing school year in the fall and to everyone have a great summer.

Thank You,  
Aboriginal Support Staff

## UP COMING EVENTS FOR JUNE

### Aboriginal Year End BBQ

June 9th @ Nkmip Campground and RV Park



- Double-Ball Tournament
- Guest Story-teller



**June 11th 5:00pm at SOSS in the Frank Venables Auditorium. Dinner to follow in the**





**Experiential, Project-Based, Indigenous, Community (EPIC)** is an outdoor leadership program which focuses on academic success, experiential learning and community connections in School District 53.

The program can accommodate 20 students with a passion for the outdoors, a strong work ethic, dedication, responsibility, and a desire to learn in an innovative and meaningful program.

### **Who should apply?**

- Any student enrolled at Southern Okanagan Secondary school entering grade 9 or 10
- Students interested in earning graduation credits in a cross-curricular approach
- Students willing to commit to hard work
- Students looking for a different way to learn
- Students must participate in an application and interview process to determine placement in the program

### **Program Overview**

EPIC students will not have a traditional, Monday to Friday, 8:30 - 2:45 timetable. Instead, students will have a flexible timetable that will allow participation in project-based learning opportunities, both in school and in the community. Time will be required outside of the traditional school day to accommodate field trips. A focus on community involvement will encourage relationships with members of the business community, the Osoyoos Indian Band, and its elders.

### **Possible Course Credits for 2015-2016**

#### *Junior EPIC*

- Physical Education 9/10
- Information Technology 9/10
- Woodwork 9/10
- Social Studies 9/10
- Math 9 or Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10



# SOSS EXAMS & TUTORIAL SCHEDULE

## JUNE 2015

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

Tutorials	Room
<b>8:30-10:00</b>	
Gruntman Math	
Podmorow Social Studies	
<b>1:00-2:30</b>	
Riordan Social Studies	
Laver English	



FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

EXAMINATION 9:00-12:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>Science 10 (Wurflinger block C)</b>	5E	Lab 124	Kuehn, Ibaraki
<b>Science 10 (Wurflinger block C)</b>	19P	117	Lang, Podmorow A
Spanish 11/12 (Ayensu block C)	8	Small gym	Ayensu
English 9 (Abbie, D block A)	15	Small gym	Abbie, D
English 9 (Laver block D)	24	Small gym	Laver
English 9 (McKinnon block A)	16	Small gym	McKinnon
French 8 (Ayensu block B)	15	Small gym	Ayensu
# in small gym	78		

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

EXAMINATION 1:00-4:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>English 12 (Abbie, L block B)</b>	7E	Lab 124	Goncalves, McVicar
<b>English 12 (Abbie, L block B)</b>	19P	116	Maertins, Hofman
Pre-Calculus 11 (Gruntman block C)	27	Small gym	Gruntman
French 9/10 (Abbie, D block C)	19	Small gym	Abbie, D
English 8 (Abbie, L block D)	21	Small gym	Abbie, L
English 8 (McKinnon block D)	21	Small gym	McKinnon
# in small gym	88		



MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015

Tutorials	Room
<b>8:30-10:00</b>	
Gruntman Math	
Riordan Social Studies	
Abbie, L English	
<b>1:00-2:30</b>	
Podmorow Social Studies	

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015

EXAMINATION 9:00-12:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>Communication 12 (McKinnon block C)</b>	17P	118	Podmorow, A, Wilson
Foundations of Math 12 (Woollard block D)	11	Small gym	Woollard
Foundations of Math 11 (Baptiste block D)	16	Small gym	Baptiste
Biology 11 (Wurflinger block B)	23	Small gym	Wurflinger
Social Studies 10 (Basso block A)	29	Small gym	Basso
Social Studies 10 (Basso block D)	19	Small gym	Basso
# in small gym	98		

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015

EXAMINATION 1:00-4:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
French 11 (Abbie, D block B)	12	Small gym	Abbie, D
Chemistry 12 (Lang block A)	25	Small gym	Lang
English 11 (Laver block B)	24	Small gym	Laver
Math 9 (Seminoff block D)	16	Small gym	Seminoff
Math 9 (Baptiste block A)	3	Small gym	Baptiste
Social Studies 8 (McKinnon block B)	22	Small gym	McKinnon
Social Studies 8 (Sharma block D)	21	Small gym	Sharma
# in small gym	123		

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015

Tutorials	Room
<b>8:30-10:00</b>	
Riordan Social Studies	
Podmorow Social Studies	
<b>1:00-2:30</b>	
Abbie, L English	

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015

EXAMINATION 9:00-12:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10 (Seminoff block A)</b>	4E	124	Goncalves, McVicar
<b>Apprenticeship and Workplace Math 10 (Seminoff block A)</b>	8P	119	Maertins, Wilson
<b>Foundations of Math &amp; Pre- Calculus 10 (Gruntman block A)</b>	23P	118	Hofman, Ibaraki
Biology 12 (Wurflinger block A)	12	Small gym	Wurflinger
Apprenticeship & Workplace Math 11 (Woollard block C)	14	Small gym	Woollard
Chemistry 11 (Lang block D)	24	Small gym	Lang
Social Studies 9 (Basso block B)	23	Small gym	Basso
Social Studies 9 (Sharma block C)	30	Small gym	Sharma
# of students in small gym	103		

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015

EXAMINATION 1:00-4:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
Law 12 (Riordan block B)	12	Small gym	Riordan
Spanish 10 (Ayensu block A)	21	Small gym	Ayensu
Punjabi 9 (Sharma block A)	17	Small gym	Sharma
Science 8 (Fuller block B)	23	Small gym	Fuller
Science 8 (Fuller block D)	20	Small gym	Fuller
Science 8 (Seminoff block B)	21	Small gym	Seminoff
# of students in small gym	114		



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015

Tutorials	Room
<b>8:30-10:00</b>	
<b>1:00-2:30</b>	

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015

EXAMINATION 9:00-12:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>English 10 (Laver block C)</b>	24E	Lab 124	Kuehn, McVicar
<b>English 10 (Abbie, L block C)</b>	32P	117	Kitt, Woollard
		116	Podmorow, S, Hofman
History 12 (Basso block C)	14	Small gym	Basso
Science 9 (Fuller block A)	26	Small gym	Fuller
Math 8 (Wilson block A)	24	Small gym	Wilson
Math 8 (Baptiste block A)	9	Small gym	Baptiste
# of students in small gym	73		

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015

EXAMINATION 1:00-4:00		ROOM	INVIGILATOR
<b>Social Studies 11 (Podmorow block D)</b>	5E	Lab 124	Goncalves, Kuehn
<b>Social Studies 11 (Riordan block A)</b>	41P	116	Podmorow, A, Ibaraki
		117	Maertins, Seminoff
# of students in small gym			



# SD53 - 2015/2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR

School District No. 53 (Okanagan Similkameen)

## September 2015

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28	29	30			

## November 2015

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29	30					

## January 2016

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31						

## March 2016

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27	28	29	30	31		

## May 2016

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29	30	31				

## October 2015

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## December 2015

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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27	28	29	30	31		

## February 2016

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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28	29					

## April 2016

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## June 2016

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2015/16

Monday, September 7, 2015	Labour Day
Tuesday, September 8, 2015	Schools Open
Monday, October 12, 2015	Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, Nov 11, 2015	Remembrance Day
Monday, December 21, 2015	Christmas Break Begins
Monday, January 4, 2016	Schools Re-Open
Mon-Fri, January 25-29, 2016	Secondary Exam Days
Monday, February 1, 2016	Second Semester Begins
Monday, February 8, 2016	Family Day
Monday, March 14, 2016	Spring Break Begins
Friday, March 25, 2016	Good Friday
Monday, March 28, 2016	Easter Monday
Tuesday, March 29, 2016	School Re-Opens
Monday, May 23, 2016	Victoria Day
June 22 through June 28, 2016	Secondary Exam Days
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	Last Day of Classes
Thursday, June 30, 2016	Administrative Day
	School Closed for Students

Number of Days in Session	192
Number of Days of Instruction	185

## DISTRICT NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS

Friday, October 23, 2015 – Professional Development Day  
 February 19, 2016 – Non-Instructional Day  
 Monday, March 21 to Thursday, March 24, 2016 – Non-Instructional Days (Connected to Spring Break)

## EARLY DISMISSAL DATES

Schools will notify parents of all early dismissal times & is also available: <http://www.sd53.bc.ca/district/calendars>

Cawston/Keremeos: Oct 21 & 22, 2015 / Apr 6 & 7, 2016  
 Osoyoos: Oct 20 & Nov 5, 2015 / Mar 8 & Apr 14, 2016  
 Oliver/OK Falls: Oct 21 & 22, 2015 / Mar 8 & 10, 2016

District wide early dismissal days for Inquiry Time are indicated on calendar { }

## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Oct. 20	–	OSE
Oct. 21	–	TEN/OES/SOSS/OKF/CPS/SESS
Oct. 22	–	CPS/SESS
Nov. 5	–	OSE/OSS
Mar. 8	–	OSE/OES/TEN
Mar. 10	–	SOSS/OES/OKF
Apr. 6	–	CPS/SESS
Apr. 7	–	CPS/SESS
Apr. 14	–	OSS

- Stat/School Holidays
- Non-Instructional Days
- ♥ Secondary Exam Days
- Year End Administration
- { } Inquiry Time Early Dismissal



*We are committed to quality learning experiences in a caring environment which promote personal excellence, life-long learning and responsible citizenship.*

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Osoyoos Secondary School      Phone: 250-485-4433  
Principal: Mike Safek      Fax: 250-495-2669

Similkameen Elem. Sec. School      Phone: 250-499-2727  
Principal: Cate Turner      Fax: 250-499-2411

Southern Okanagan Sec. School      Phone: 250-498-4931  
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Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary School      Phone: 250-498-3415  
Principal: Shendah Benoit      Fax: 250-498-0388

YouLearn.ca – Continuing Education  
Principal: Glen Heinrichs

Oliver Centre      Phone: 250-498-4597  
Osoyoos Centre      Phone: 250-495-5165  
Keremeos Centre      Phone: 250-499-0040

YouLearn.ca – Distance Learning  
Principal: Glen Heinrichs

Oliver Outreach      Phone: 250-498-4597  
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## **SCHOOL**

## **School Day Hours**

Cawston Primary	8:45 am – 2:35 pm
Okanagan Falls Elementary	8:30 am – 2:25 pm
Oliver Elementary	8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Osoyoos Elementary	8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Osoyoos Secondary	8:30 am – 2:45 pm
Similkameen Elementary Secondary	8:30 am – 2:45 pm
Southern Okanagan Secondary	8:30 am – 2:45 pm
Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary	8:30 am – 2:30 pm

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## **PARENT AND STUDENT APPEALS**

Where a decision of an employee of the Board significantly affects the education, health or safety of a student, the parent/guardian of the student, or the student may, within a reasonable time from the date that the parent/guardian or student was informed of the decision, appeal that decision to the Board. Further information regarding the appeal process can be obtained at:  
[www.sd53.bc.ca/district/pols/bylaw-19.pdf](http://www.sd53.bc.ca/district/pols/bylaw-19.pdf)