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NOVEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message

We are now finished with Quarter 1 and have quickly finished two weeks of Quarter 2. Our teachers are committed to making sure students are well-prepared to do their best, and are mindful of other expectations and deadlines students have.

COVID-19 has caused us to make adjustments, but some things will never change. Kwantlen Park School held our Virtual Remembrance Day Ceremony on Tuesday, November 10 at 9:11 am. Every parent was emailed a link on November 10 that enabled them to participate in this virtual assembly and see the good work being done at KP. A special thank you to our Remembrance Day committee and especially Mr. Greczi and Mr. Riasat for all of their hard work planning and organizing our ceremony. I would also like to thank all our student leaders for their help during the ceremony.

Every parent had access to their child's Quarter 1 final marks on November 19. If you cannot access the report card on MyEd, please contact the school and we will get you set up. You can also visit our school website and request access to your child's report card. If you have questions for our teachers about your child's learning, they are always willing to hear your queries or concerns. Please call our school or email the teachers you need to hear from.

This year in particular, the pace of school has moved quickly. Parents can support their teen by helping them stay organized and checking in regularly to ensure they are on top of their schoolwork, especially students who are working online. When in doubt or if you have concerns, talk to your teen, and communicate with our teachers as necessary.

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PRINCIPAL: MR. T. CROSS

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Vice Principal: Ms. K. Farquhar	(O-Z)		Ms. C. Prentice	(Ran-Z)

We are in a pandemic and we have also arrived at the colder, rainy season. It is more important than ever that we remain vigilant and respect the restrictions, protocols and procedures we have put in place to ensure the health and safety of everyone. Encourage your teen to self-check for COVID symptoms, wash hands regularly, eat well, get regular exercise, and go to bed early enough to get the necessary sleep they need. We want our students to be balanced, healthy, and resilient young people.

It is hard to believe but we are already planning for next year. This coming January and February we will be meeting with students to discuss requirements and course selection for next year. It is vital to have parental involvement in this process. Each year our school brings different options and opportunities for students. Please direct questions about programs and options to the counselors: Ms. Janda(A-Dha), Mr. Sedaros (Dhi-Kr), Ms. Missellbrook (Ku-Ram) and Ms. Prentice (Ran-z). The information we gather from the course selection process enables us to build the timetable for the next school year. There are limited chances to make changes later, so students are advised to choose courses carefully.

When the Christmas break is over, there will only be three school weeks left in Quarter 2. This means that the final class projects and course competency assignments are fast approaching. Please emphasize to your child that, for success in all semester end assignments, review is important. Establishing a study schedule in preparation for the completion of courses and exams can reduce anxiety and increase success in all academic classes.

PAC (Parent Advisory Council) plays a vital role in building a great school community. Their next meeting is Dec 2nd at 7 pm on ZOOM. Please look for an email with the link to participate. PAC is a great place to get involved and find out what is happening in our school. New parents are always welcome.

Please note these key dates for Q2:

- Dec 2, PAC Meeting at 7p.m. on Zoom (look for an email invite)
- Dec 4, Grade 12 assembly on TEAMS.
- Dec 11-16 Parents can book on-line for Q2 virtual parent/teacher appointments for Dec 17. Please look for email notification
- Dec 16 Mid-way Progress reports for your child for Quarter 2 available online in MyEd.
- Dec 17 Quarter 2 Parent-Teacher meetings. (Booking online appointment for a virtual Meeting) 3-4:30 p.m.
- Dec 18 Last day of classes before Winter Break
- Jan 4 First day back form the winter holidays
- Jan 6 PAC Meeting at 7p.m. on Zoom (look for an email invite)
- Jan 19-25 Grad Photos...In this Newsletter is a QR Code that will allow you to book a time.
- Jan 27 Last Full Day of Quarter 2
- Jan 28-29 Course Competency days for Quarter 2(school is open for students to demonstrate competencies to improve their standing)

Feb 1 Quarter 3 Starts

Finally, this is the last newsletter of the calendar year, and I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone all the very best for a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday season. Everyone at Kwantlen Park Secondary wants to wish you and your family a holiday season filled with warmth, comfort and good cheer. Have a great break and we will see you back at school January 4th to finish off the second quarter.

Thank You

Tim Cross



Daily Health Check:

Below is a daily health check that parents might want to complete with their child before they leave home for school if they are feeling sick! This useful checklist is provided by our school district's health and safety department to help keep all students and staff safe!



Daily Health Check

Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	Circle one		
	Fever	YES	NO	
	Chills	YES	NO	
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO	
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO	
	Sore throat	YES	NO	
	Runny nose / stuffy nose	YES	NO	
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO	
	Headache	YES	NO	
	Fatigue	YES	NO	
	Diarrhea	YES	NO	
	Loss of appetite	YES	NO	
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO	
	Muscle aches	YES	NO	
	Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	YES	NO	
	Dizziness, confusion	YES	NO	
	Abdominal pain	YES	NO	
	Skin rashes or discolouration of fingers or toes	YES	NO	
	Have you or anyone in your household			
International Travel	returned from travel outside of Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO	
Confirmed Contact Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?		YES	NO	

*Check BCCDC's Symptoms of COVID-19 regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a preexisting condition (e.g. allergies) your child should <u>NOT</u> come to school.

If they are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or a nurse practitioner.

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the <u>COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool</u> to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19.

General Safety Protocols for all students:

To help ensure staff and student safety, students should only show up at their scheduled time and follow these safety guidelines:

Prior to coming to school, students must ensure they are healthy and feeling well.

- Do not come to school if COVID symptoms are present. For example: new or worsening cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, temperature equal to or over 38°C, feeling feverish, chills, fatigue or weakness, muscle or body aches, new loss of smell or taste, headache.
- Students have been provided with two reusable face masks. Students must wear masks while in common areas, like hallways.
- Upon arrival at school, students must ENTER through one of two entrance areas: The main entry doors, and the Den doors. All other doors will be locked.
- Upon entry, students must use the hand sanitizer provided and proceed directly to their classrooms. As a precaution, students should wear masks as they could be entering the building with students outside of their cohort.
- Please come to school as close to the start time as possible as we do not want overcrowding outside the entry points. When exiting the building please do not loiter. You are to leave directly from school property.
- Non-medical masks are required in high traffic areas such as buses and in common areas such as hallways, or anytime outside of their learning group whenever physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Exceptions will be made for students who cannot wear a mask for medical reasons.
- Please follow the directional arrows in the building.
- Students must enter the classroom one at a time, in a socially distanced and patient manner.
- When in the classroom, students are to remain in the desk assigned to them.
- If students need to use the washroom, the teacher will ensure that only one person goes to the washroom at a time. When you exit and enter the classroom you need to hand sanitize. If the washroom is occupied, please wait outside in the hallway in a socially distanced space.
- **Washrooms:** some student washrooms will be closed, except for a number of universal bathrooms and few specific washrooms throughout the school; please use those if you need. This will help us sanitize bathrooms quickly.
- Students must engage in proper 20-second hand washing prior to leaving the washroom.
- At lunch, it is best to go outside and stay within your cohort whenever possible. If in contact with peers in different cohorts you will need to maintain physical distance of 2 meters and/or wear a mask.
- If a student is unable to physically distance, the student should only socialize within their cohort unless they are supported by an adult who can help the student physically distance from others.
- **Hand hygiene:** During the day, students must wash their hands regularly and use the hand sanitizer provided.
- **Physical distancing:** Students must avoid close greetings (ex: hugs, handshakes). When in the hallways, students must always be mindful of **maintaining a 2-meter distance from others** and/or wear a mask.
- At the end of the school day, students are to safely exit the school as soon as possible.
- Water Bottles: all students may bring water bottles to class if they wish; all water fountains except bottle dispensers are turned off.

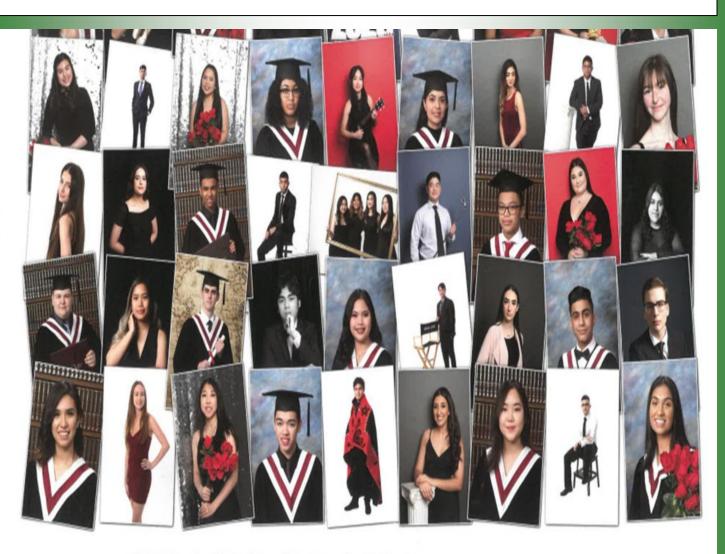


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 S PAC Meeting 7 pm-on-line	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Community Christmas Dinner 5:30 – 7:30 pm Drive-Through	11	12
13	14	15	16 Mid Quarter Progress Reports On Line <u>Dry Grad Meeting</u> <u>7 pm – on-line</u>	17 Virtual Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:00-4:40pm	18 Last Day of Classes before Winter Break!	19
20	21 Winter Break	22 Winter Break	23 Winter Break	24 Winter Break	25 Menny Christmas	26 KEEP CALM TODAY IS BOXING DAY
27	28 Winter Break	29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break	31 Winter Break		



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy New Yearl	2
3	4 First day of Classes after Winter Break – Welcome Back	5	6 PAC Meeting 7 pm Library	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Grad Photos	20 Mock Interviews- Semester 1 Grade 10's <u>Dry Grad Meeting</u> <u>7 pm Library</u> Grad Photos	21 Grad Photos	22 Grad Photos	23 Grad Photos
24	25 Grad Photos	26	27 Last Day of Q2 Classes	28 Course Competency	29 Course Competency	30

Grade 12 Grad Photo Bookings





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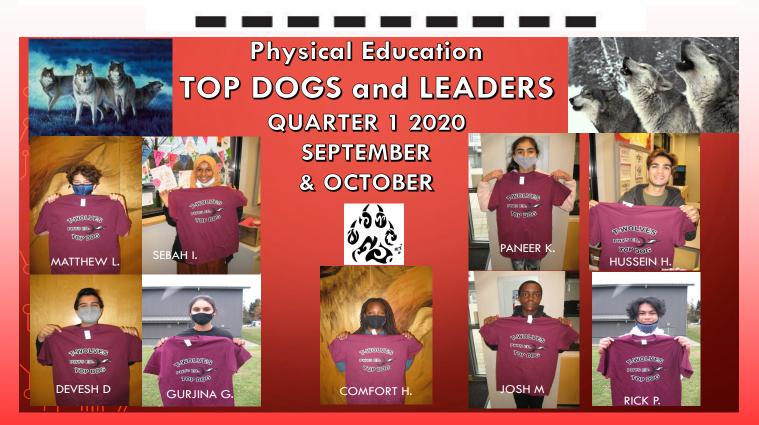
January 19 - 25, 2021



KP Debate Club will be starting up again soon!

It is a fundamental instinct for humans to debate. Whilst arguing, there is never no right or wrong. There is only the differing and opposing views of diverse people and a verbal joust to see whose argument is more valid in context. At Debate Club, students will learn how to create their own opinion over a matter and how to create an argument supporting it. They will have to present it to the rest of the Club and try to persuade the others that their view is more justified. This will help students develop their critical thinking skills and their competences in public speaking. Many will find that this also helps them think quickly as debating requires a lot of "thinking on the spot." As students learn how to debate in Parliamentary style, they will find that debating is truly an orative art that is complex to master. However, the student-led Debate presidents are there to teach and refine the skills of debating to newcomers and returning members alike. Debate club is an ideal place for all people to express and develop their opinions and share it with others.

If you know of any students who would be interested in learning to debate, they can send a chat to one of the Debate Club Leaders or send an email to brynjolfson_k@surreyschools.ca



Phoenix Initiative Club Food Drive

Our brand new Phoenix Initiative Club held a food drive during November and collected <u>790</u> food and hygiene items! Great Job team!





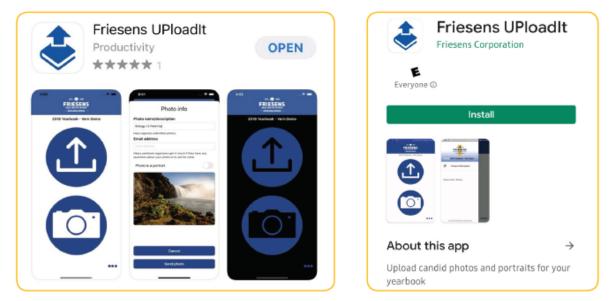
KP's first ever E-Sports team!!





UPLOAD PHOTOS FOR YOUR YEARBOOK

Search your Apple App Store or Google Play for Friesens UPloadIt



- 1) Download the Friesens UPloadIt app
- 2) Enter the School Project Code
- 3) Upload Photos!

Click on the link below for futher instructions.

Friesens UploadIt User Instructions

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Ms. Duffield, Career Facilitator / Careers Dept. Head – local 2502 (direct line: 604-587-7368) Mr. Thiessen, Career Facilitator / Philosopy Teacher – local 2066 Ms. Steeves, Career Centre Assistant / Career Dev. Practitioner – local 2112

Quote: "If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams...he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours." - Henry David Thoreau

SKILLS & VALUES EMPLOYERS WANT

Skills and Values Employers Want

- Communications Skills (listening, verbal, written)
- Analytical/Research Skills.
- Computer/Technical Literacy.
- Flexibility/Adaptability/Managing Multiple Priorities.
- Interpersonal Abilities.
- Leadership/Management Skills.
- Multicultural Sensitivity/Awareness
- Planning/Organizing.

https://barbarabray.net/2011/08/28/skills-and-values-employers-want/



SCHULICH LEADER SCHOLARSHIPS

What are Schulich Leader Scholarships?





Schulich Leader Scholarships are Canada's **CC SCHOLARSHIPS** most coveted undergraduate STEM scholarships. Up to one hundred are awarded to entrepreneurial-minded high school graduates enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math program at 20 partner universities across Canada. Half are valued at \$100,000 for engineering scholarships and half are valued at \$80,000 for science and math scholarships.

Every high school in Canada can nominate one graduating student each year to apply for the scholarship. For more information, see Schulich Leader Scholarships in STEM.

https://www.schulichleaders.com/

SCHOLARSHIP VIRTUAL SPEAKER—BRITTANY PALMER

Brittany Palmer - Virtual Scholarship Guest Speaker— December 3, 6:30pm

Open to all KP students and parents interested in scholarships.

http://www.keytoscholarships.com/

Kwantlen Park is please to announce that we have Brittany Palmer doing a virtual scholarship presentation for Kwantlen Park on Dec. 3rd. Brittany Palmer and her brother collectively won 35 scholarships totaling over \$125,000 when they were in high school. Since 2005, Brittany has launched Unlock Your Future, a program to help students see the various funding opportunities that are available while teaching a step-by-step program for navigating the process. Her background as a scholarship consultant for Simon Fraser University gives her a unique perspective to scholarships from the student's point of view and the scholarship providers. Brittany conquers common scholarship fear and misconceptions to demonstrate that scholarships are indeed possible.

This is a valuable presentation for our senior students and their parents to help them in the process of applying for funding opportunities for post-secondary. This year, due to the pandemic, the presentation is 60-70 min long, followed by opportunity for Q&A. This presentation will have tangible and measurable impacts for our students' ability to learn about and access scholarships for post-secondary.

If you are interested, please let me know via Teams Chat or email and I will add you to the list. Thank you.

Ms. Elizabeth Duffield, Careers Dept. Head— Duffield_e@surreyschools.ca

POST-SECONDARY—SFU VIRTUAL PREVIEW DAY

SFU Virtual Preview Day December 5, 2020

AM Sessions: 9:00am – 12:00pm PM Sessions: 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Join us online to connect with our faculty representatives and

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Student Services! Get to know SFU, discover our wide variety of programs, and learn about the many ways to create your own unique university experience.

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https://beedie.sfu.ca/bachelor-of-business-administration-webinars

POST-SECONDARY—LANGARA—JOURNALISM INFO. SESSION

Journalism Information Session November 27, 2020 3:00pm – 4:00pm



We encourage all applicants to attend an information session so they can make an educated choice about applying to the program. Faculty and graduates of the program are always on hand to answer questions.

If you cannot attend, you are encouraged to call or arrange a visit with the department chair: Effie Klein: eklein@langara.ca or 604.323.5395. Contact namsler@langara.ca to register for this event

POST-SECONDARY—KPU WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN

Wilson School of Design Information Sessions

KPU—Wilson School of Design—Info. Sessions. Want to turn your talent for design into a successful career? If you have an eye for design, a head for business, and a sketchbook full of ideas, the Wilson School of Design is for you. At our new cutting-edge facility, we'll push you to your creative limits to fully prepare you for an exciting, dynamic future in modern graphic design, fashion, product design, technical apparel, fashion marketing, and interior design.





To learn more about the many programs offered through KPU's Wilson School of Design, attend an **upcoming information session**.

Visit their website for more info.

https://www.kpu.ca/design



POST-SECONDARY—UBC TOURS & EVENTS

UBC—Tours and Events

Connect with UBC in person or online to discover whether this is the right university for you to learn, live, and grow. Get a feel for life as a student with a virtual campus tour. Get your questions answered by UBC experts in an online info session.

To view a listing of upcoming events, see UBC tours and events.

https://account.you.ubc.ca/s/events



RESUME / JOB SEARCH / INTERVIEW PREPARATION



Looking for a Job? Need Resume or Job Search guidelines? Interview Preparation?

Stop by the Career Centre in Room A112 and see Ms. Steeves for assistance.

Contact her by email at

steeves_k@surreyschools.ca or message her on Teams.

Follow the Career Dept. at KP on Instagram & Twitter @KPCareerCentre

CAREER EXPLORATION—MY BLUEPRINT

Do you want your dream job? Do you want to use your skills & abilities?

my **Blueprint**

Visit My Blueprint **https://myblueprint.ca/** and create an account using your Surrey Schools log in information. Stop by the Career Centre in A112 for assistance.

Complete the "Who Am I" Assessments and choose from 6 comprehensive assessments:

- 1. Learning Styles
- 2. Personality
- 3. Interests
- 4. Knowledge
- 5. Motivation
- 6. Compatibility



Visit the Kwantlen Park PAC website to stay up to date on all PAC activities: www.kwantlenparkpac.com

NEXT PAC MEETING: DECEMBER 2, 2020-ON TEAMS

MR. CROSS WILL OPEN THE MEETING WITH HIS MONTHLY REPORT. ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND MONTHLY MEETINGS.

The purpose of the KPS PAC is to further the educational interests and well-being of students, and to strengthen the role of families in education. The PAC facilitates parent participation in the school community. All KPS parents/guardians are invited to attend, bring a friend! Meetings are held on the <u>first</u> Wednesday of each month.

Do you want to be included on the PAC email list and will receive occasional reminders and updates?

Have a question, suggestions and/or comments? Not sure how to get involved in the high school community?

Contact the PAC at: info@kwantlenparkpac.com

