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**October 2021 Newsletter** 

# **Principal's Message**

Fall Greetings!

The school year is now well underway and the focus at Kwantlen Park has been squarely on purposeful student learning in classrooms – with dedication, empathy and rigour.

Despite the ongoing COVID pandemic there is still much to be thankful for. Among our blessings is the support and care provided by teachers, support staff, coaches, caregivers, grandparents, extended family, neighbours, and friends that contribute to the safety, well-being, and growth of our children. If, as the saying goes, "it takes a village to raise a child"; then we are indeed fortunate to live and/or work in a community that lives by this ethos.

Tuesday, October 5th was World Teacher Day, a time to recognize the commitment and important contributions that teachers make in this incredibly complex and changing world. Teachers matter. Almost anyone who has achieved any degree of success or attained any position of leadership can point to several significant teachers, mentors, and coaches who have made them a better person along the way.

I hope that you have taken some time to share some gratitude with those who have made a difference for you. And if you haven't, I encourage you to do so. Our world could use that kind of energy right now.





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Principal: Mr. Mike Kilpatrick							
Vice Principal: Mr. M. Krystal	(A-F)	COUNSELLORS:					
Vice Principal: Ms. S. Beyer	(G-M)	Ms. K. Janda Ms. R. Garcha	Mr. D. Sedaros Ms. J.				
Vice Principal: Ms. A. Bal	(N-Z)						

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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Continued...

Unfortunately, we are seeing an increase in the amount of anti-social and dangerous behaviour happening around our school grounds and in hard-to-supervise locations such as bathrooms. We are dealing with ongoing significant and costly vandalism that is leaving students and staff frustrated and disappointed. We understand that these actions are coming from a small minority of our young people, but we are asking all parents to please speak with your student(s) about the negative impacts of this type of behaviour. Many thanks for your support with these important conversations.

As always, please reach out at any time if you have questions or concerns by calling the office at 604.588.6934 or by email at kilpatrick\_m@surreyschools.ca

Mr. Mike Kilpatrick



November

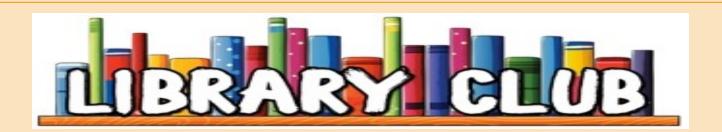
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 PAC Meeting 7 pm- Library	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day Stat Holiday – School Closed	12 Non-Instructional Day #3 – No school for students	13
14	15 Bolding for	16 Dollars Event	17 Dry Grad Meeting 7pm - Library	18	19	20
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## 2021-22 Surrey Schools calendar

Sept. 7, 2021	Schools open
Sept. 27, 2021	Non-instructional day
Sept. 30, 2021	Truth & Reconciliation Day
Oct. 11, 2021	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 22, 2021	Non-instructional day
Nov. 11, 2021	<b>Remembrance Day</b>
Nov. 12, 2021	Non-instructional day
Dec. 20 - Dec. 31, 2021	Winter break
Jan. 3, 2022	Schools Reopen after winter break
Feb. 21, 2022	Family Day
Feb. 25, 2022	Non-instructional day
Mar. 14 - Mar. 18, 2022	School closure days
Mar. 21 - Mar. 25, 2022	Spring break
March 28, 2022	Schools reopen after spring break
April 15, 2022	Good Friday
April 18, 2022	Easter Monday
May 6, 2022	Non-instructional day
May 23, 2022	Victoria Day
May 30, 2022	Non-instructional day
June 24, 2022	Administrative day/schools close



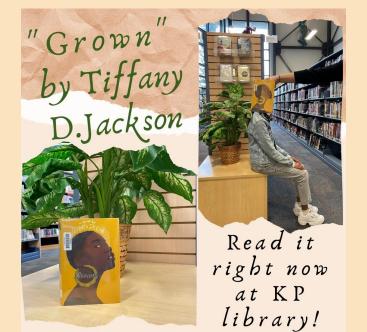


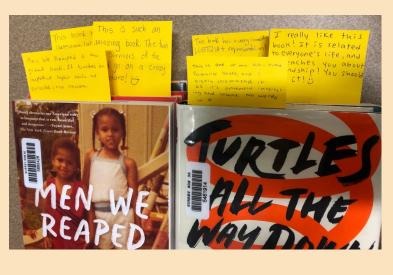
#### Library Club is in full swing!

# Students have been busy making book recommendations and making some content for our Instagram!

### @kp.library









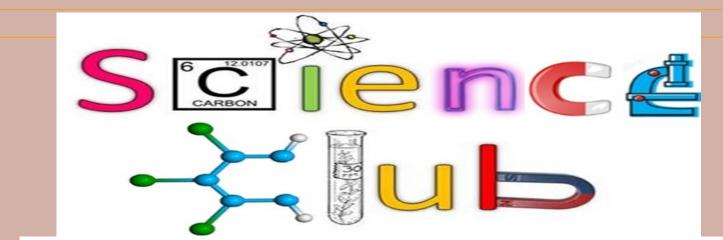
# **KWANTLEN PARK DANCE**

Our dance program is excited to be back to in person learning and dancing! All of our dance classes and our dance teams are in full swing and are working hard to create some exciting performances! So far the dance classes have learned jazz, lyrical, musical theatre, hip hop and breaking! We also have our first ever BASES dance class that has 11 students of varying ability levels. In September the BASES students did a Hula dance unit, and now in October they are engaging in a Monster themed unit in preparation for Halloween!



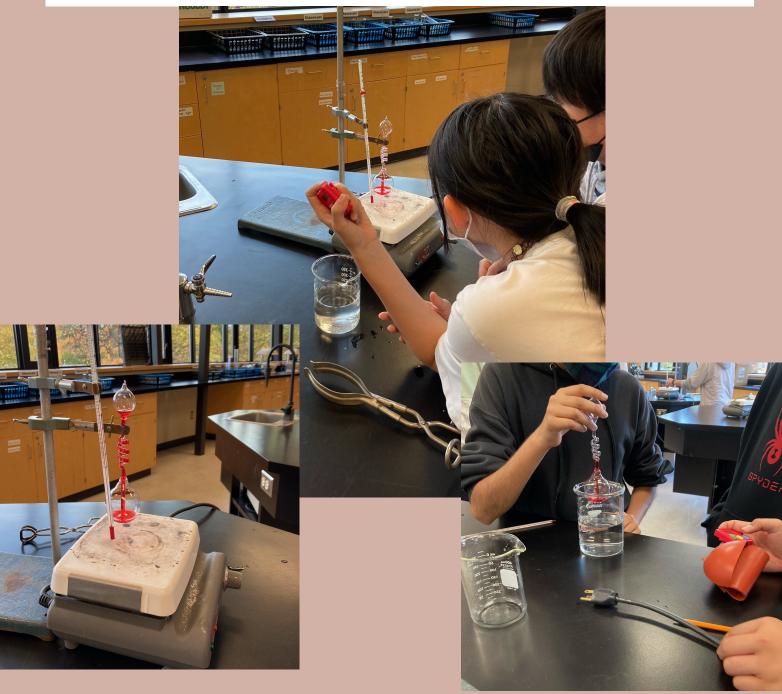
We have four extra curricular dance teams running this year: Contemporary, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop and Bhangra! All of our dance teams are choreographed and coached by senior students, with the help and facilitation of Ms. Meixner, Mr. Panesar, Ms. Tuffin and Ms. Rossum. We are happy to have extra staff help with teams this year! Team Auditions just ended and each team is entering into their second week of practices. Providing that the current public health orders remain the same, each team is looking forward to potentially competing at Breakout 2022 in January (at a reduced capacity, of course). The contemporary team will be performing at our Remembrance Day Assemblies and the Senior Hip Hop team will be performing at the Fall Pep Rally





The KP Science Club is a new club at Kwantlen Park this year! We meet on Tuesdays after school and Wednesdays at lunch in room C210. This club is open to students from all grades 8 to 12.

Our first challenge involved gadgets called hand boilers. Students designed their own experiments to make them boil after a set amount of time. Next week, we will be racing hoop gliders!



Mr. Clark's English 8 class and Supplementary Reading in preparation for our Poetry Study of "The Highwayman"

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Career Department Staff:

Ms. Duffield, Career Facilitator & Careers Dept. Head – local 49164 Ms. Steeves, Career Centre Assistant & Career Development Practitioner – local 49166

### VIRTUAL—TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY—NOV. 3, 2021

# Grade 9 – Take Our Kids to Work Day is Wednesday, Nov. 3rd

Due to Covid – students will attend school as usual on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> and complete assignments in all their classes throughout the day.



Stop by the KP Career Centre & see Ms. Duffield in Room A114 with any questions!

Visit the Learning Partnership for more info. at <u>https://www.thelearningpartnership.ca</u>







**BCIT—Digital Arts, Media & Design** 

# BCIT Digital Arts, Media & Design Online Info. Session Nov. 1 – 5:30-7:00 pm

- 3D Modeling, Art & Animation
- Communication Design Essentials
- Digital Design & Development
- Graphic Communications Tech. Mgmt.
- Graphic Design
- New Media Design & Web Development
- Technical Arts

### Visit their website to register:

https://www.bcit.ca/event/digital-arts-media-design-online-info-session-17/#rsvp-now



### **BC Student Transcript Service**

# **Student Transcript Service**

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/ k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates Or call 604 660 2421 with any questions

All grade 12 students must register for a Basic BCeID in order to access their Transcripts from the BC Government.

This process is necessary in order for your Secondary School Academic Information and Transcript to be released from the government to Post-Secondary Institutions across Canada.



<u>Note:</u> KPU has requested that any students that have applied need to make sure their transcripts are available in the Student Transcript Service.



### SIYSCorps—Surrey Intercultural Youth Service Project

### **Student Volunteering**

The Surrey Intercultural Youth Service Corps (SIYSCorps) program is looking for passionate youth all across B.C. between the ages of 15-30 years who are excited to give back to their communities, gain experience and build a better Canada. Our program brings together a diverse group of motivated youth to become active community ambassadors.

Youth can design and participate in their own funded community project!. SIYSCorps provide youth with 6 weeks of essential skills training such as resume writing, financial literacy, stress management and how to look for jobs. Youth are then offered with 11 weeks at a volunteer placement of their choice or have the opportunity to create their own fully funded community project.

There are two options:

Volunteer placement for youth interested in regular ongoing volunteer activity with a community agency

Youth (3 or more) designing and implementing a project that will address a community need through project work, for which micro grants are available



- -Gain valuable volunteering, networking, community engagement and employment skills -Create your own funded community project
- -Certificate of Completion and reference letters following program completion
- Resume, Cover Letter and Life Skills training to help with future employment
- Graduation ceremony





Visit the Kwantlen Park PAC website to stay up to date on all PAC activities:

### NEXT PAC MEETING: NOVEMBER 3, 2021

## MR. KILPATRICK 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



Please help support your 2022 dry grad committee in their efforts to provide the 2022 graduating students with a dry grad to remember.

#### **DRY GRAD FUNDRAISERS**

#### Winter Flower Sales

poinsettias, wreaths and holiday planters

Order deadline: November 25, 2021 Pick up date: December 10, 2021 Please place your order at <u>kpdrygrad2022.growingsmilesfundraising.com</u>.

Please contact <u>debimada@gmail.com</u> for further information.



Purdy's Chocolates

Order Deadline: - November30, 2021 Pick up date: December 13, 2021

Please place your order at https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/1372412-87143

#### Neufeld Farms

Pies, Cookies, Appetizers and Gourmet Entrées Order deadline: TBD – sometime in November 2021 Pick up date: TBD – sometime before Christmas Please contact <u>krystal.simplybusiness@gmail.com</u> and/or <u>lindscarstens@gmail.com</u> for further information.

#### Garden Brooms

Tidy up outdoors using the environmentally friendly Garden Broom. Perfect for cleaning patios, decks, driveways, garden paths and the lawn. Sturdier than a broom and handier than a rake, the Garden Broom works perfectly in all weather conditions including rain and snow.

Garden brooms are \$20.00 each with \$10.00 going to the dry grad.

Email Wendy at wendy.duong@shaw.ca to place an order.

#### Bottle drive

The bottle depot is located at 13845 104th Avenue. No sorting or counting is necessary. Place your bottles in a clear bag and type the school's phone number (604-588-6934) into the label machine by the hand washing station. Put the label on the bag and hand the bag to the worker behind the counter. They will sort and count and credit our account.