



SCHOOL COUNCIL

7:00 PM

January 23, 2023

Virtual link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Land Acknowledgement



We affirm that we are all treaty people and acknowledge that the York Region District School Board is located on the lands of two treaties. These treaties have been signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the First Nations of the Williams Treaties who are: the Mississaugas of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Scugog Island; and the Chippewas of Beausoleil, Rama, and Georgina Island who is our closest neighbour and partner in education.

To honour this agreement we will take up our responsibility to be respectful of their traditions, knowledge and inherent rights as sovereign nations. We will respect their relationship with these lands and recognize that our connection to this land is through the continued relationship with these First Nations, and we acknowledge our shared responsibility to respect and care for the land and waters for future generations.



Agenda

Topic	Facilitator	Estimated Time
Standing Items - Introductions Student Council's Report Teacher's Report Principal's Report	Elena and Lael Chris Cluff Candice Mott	30-45 minutes
Treasurer's report	Robyn Caldwell	
Guidance - Course Selection Process; Credit Recovery	Spencer Ward	20-30 minutes
School Council Forum	Candice Mott	5 minutes
Any Other Business	Shared	10 minutes



Introductions



Kelley Demers
Vice Principal
Students A-K



Candice Mott
Principal



Casey Daleman
Vice Principal
Students L-Z



Chris Cluff
Teacher Representative

hey.



Spencer Ward
Head of Guidance

Keswick High School Student Council



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What Have We Planned?



2 Wear your favourite sports jersey or KHS wear

SPORTS MONDAY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2022

Illustrations of a soccer ball, football, basketball, and volleyball.



Dress up with your friends
twins, triplets, quadruplets, quintuplets, etc

Twin Tuesday

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 2022

Illustrations of groups of people dressed as twins.



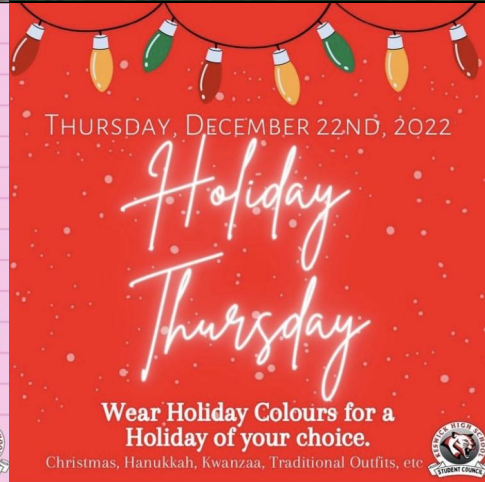
Anything but a Backpack
Wednesday

Bring anything to school but a backpack.

Nothing living nor larger than yourself

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 2022

Illustration of a backpack with a red X over it.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, 2022

Holiday Thursday

Wear Holiday Colours for a Holiday of your choice.

Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Traditional Outfits, etc

Illustration of string lights.



KHS STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

A Night Under the Stars

7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (doors open at 6:45 pm)
Thursday, November 24, 2022
KHS cafeteria

Dress code: Semi-dressy

Tickets are \$20.00 per person

Available for purchase on School Cash Online until Wednesday, November 16, 2022. Sales are limited.

NO ticket sales at the door and NO outside dates are allowed

NO outside food or drinks as food and beverages will be provided. Bag checks/searches will be conducted upon entry to the dance.

There will be NO in and out entry.

Illustrations of people dancing and string lights.



KHS STUDENT COUNCIL presents

PJ DAY

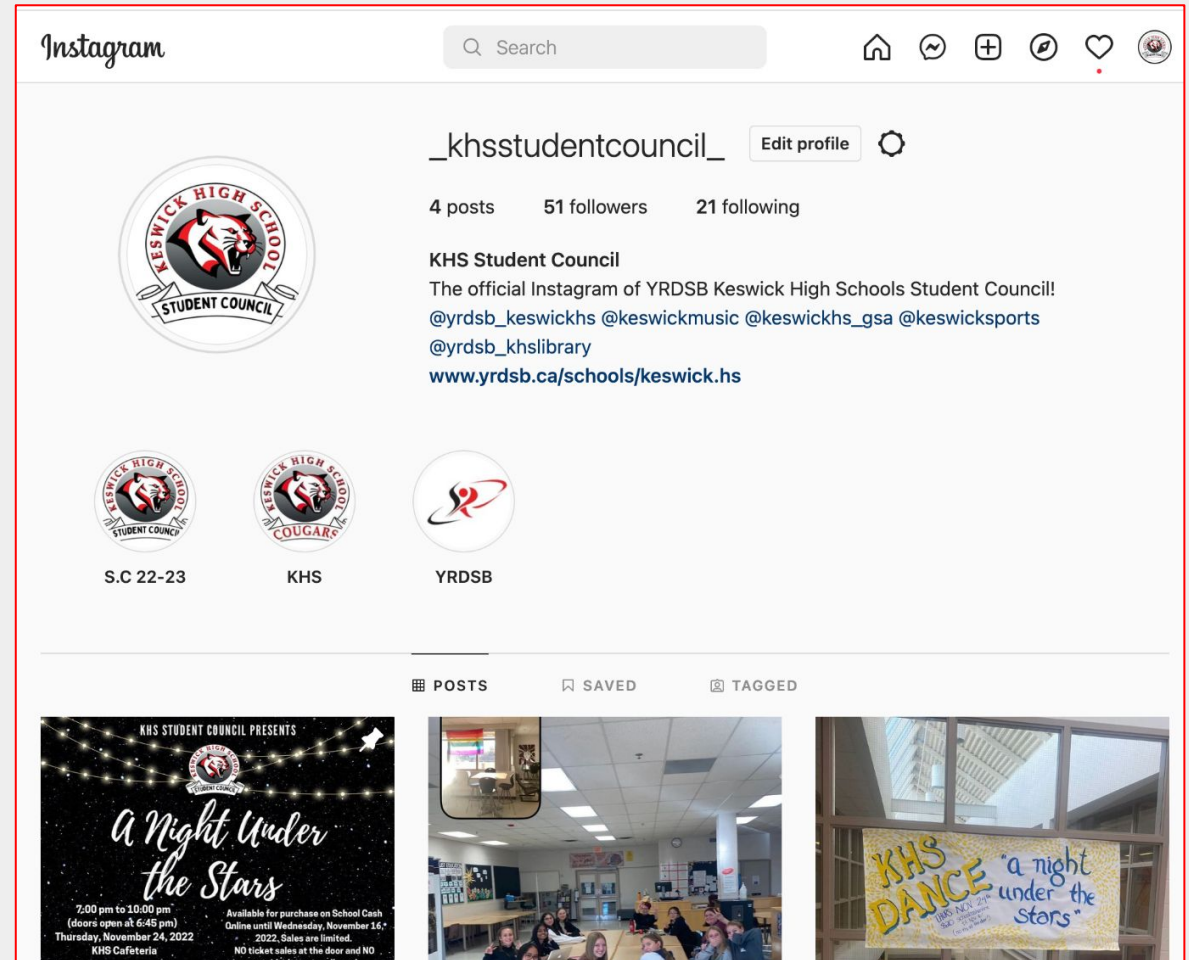
wednesday January 25th 2023

Wear your favourite pyjamas to school

Illustrations of people wearing various pajamas and a dinosaur costume.

Student Council Instagram

KHS Student Council now has an official Instagram account! Please go follow us [@_khsstudentcouncil_](https://www.instagram.com/_khsstudentcouncil_)



Positions and Roles in Student Council

<u><i>Executive Team</i></u>	<u><i>General Assembly</i></u>
<p>Co-Presidents: Elena Rinne & Lael Croft Secretaries: Ashviga Suthakaran, Rebecca Krystal Club Liaison Representative: Chris Yu Advertising Representative: Ashviga Suthakaran Equity and Wellness Representative: Abby Lemmon Grade 9 Representatives: Abby Hearn, Brooklyn Simm, Taylor Johnstone Grade 10 Representative: _____ Grade 11 Representatives: Arozu Halimi, Runi Friday Grade 12 Representative: Rebecca Krystal</p>	<p>Amanda Ansell Danica Seng Jaice Pilkey Keira Buckle Nancilynn Doner Natallie Geniole Oliver White Zoe Marzan Victoria Sardone Kavinash Pannerkaran</p>

What Do We Hope to Accomplish Next?

- Spirit Day in February
- Candy Grams!
- Possible food drive?
- Hoping to collab with another club

Keswick High School Teacher Report



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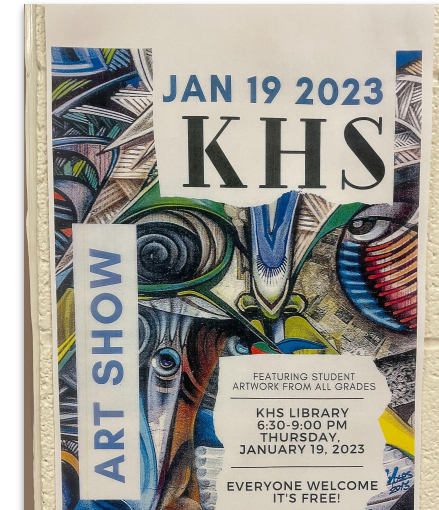
Teachers' Report - Chris Cluff



Art Council shirt design



Rescheduled to
Thursday February 9th, 2023
KHS Cafetorium
7pm (doors open at 6:30pm)
Pay What You Can at the door



Rescheduled to
Tuesday January 24th, 2023
KHS Library
6:30 - 8:30 PM



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Grade 8 Information Night

Open rehearsal

Music students also provided Christmas Carols on last day before break.



Grade 8 Information Night

Music council information booth



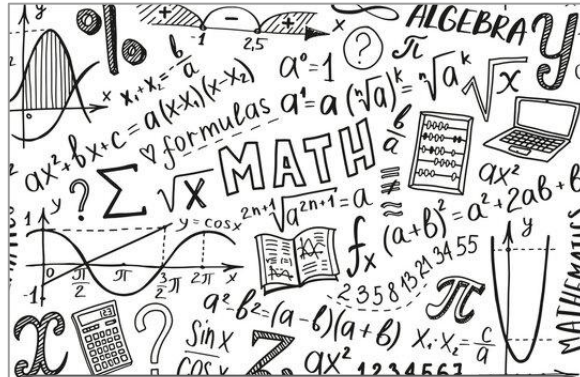
Music and Society Projects



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The Environmental Council
"Don't Trash Tech!" Campaign

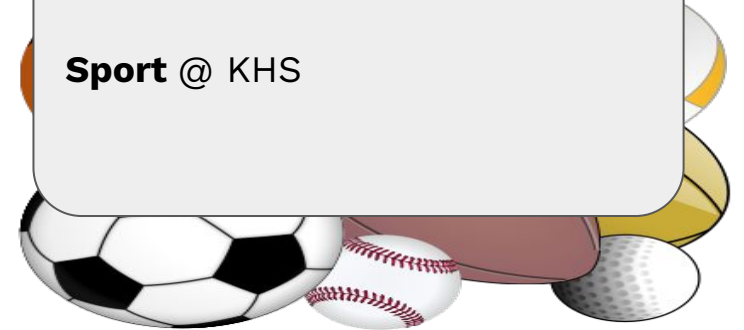


Math Help - T,W,Th - @ lunch
T - before school
Th - after school

Check with kristie.miller@yrdsb.ca
for details regarding **EQAO** and
upcoming **contests**.



Sport @ KHS

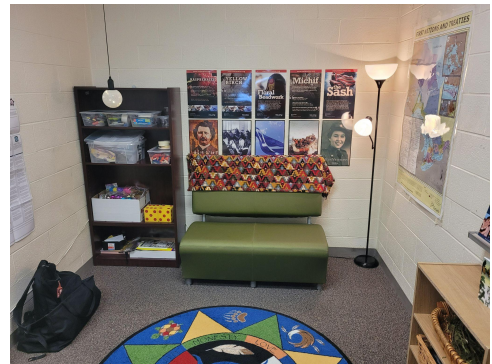
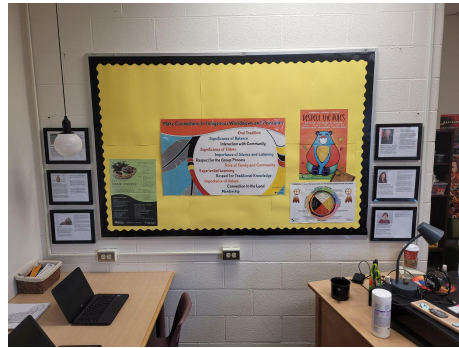




Teachers' Report - Chris Cluff



Victoria Raymer
Indigenous Student Advisor



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Principal's Report - Important Dates

January 18-20 - Grade 9 Math EQAO

January 24-Feb. 1 - Final Culminating/Exams

Feb. 2 - Exam Review Day - modified timetable

February 3 - PA Day

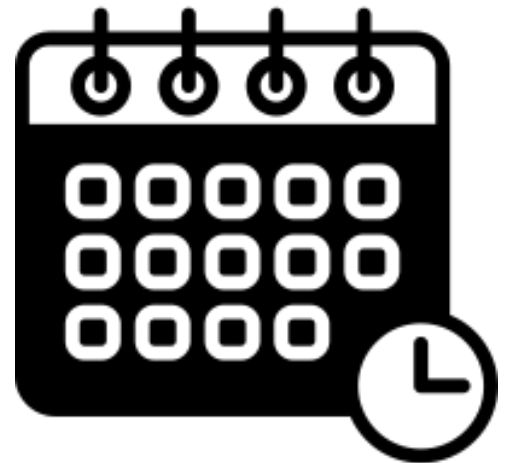
February 6 - Semester Two Begins

February 13 - Semester One Report card e-Distribution

February 20- Family Day

Feb 22 - Photo Re-take day

March 13-17 - March Break





Principal's Report - Focus Statements

We are braver than we believe, stronger than we seem and smarter than we think.

We are critical thinkers who stand up for our rights while carrying our responsibilities.

We succeed in inclusive spaces where our voices and lived experiences are valued and leveraged.



Principal's Report - Building Updates

New Benches in Front Foyer

Food Pantry - partnership with Food Bank

New vending machines in cafeteria

Accessible door into the main office

This summer - new fire alarm system

Different Opportunities for our learners





Principal's Report - Board monthly updates

YRDSB provides monthly update podcasts:

<https://anchor.fm/yrdsb/episodes/Tune-In-YRDSB-Monthly-Wrap-Up-and-Calendaring-Report-January-2023-e1tcvoq/a-a95s0ls>





Treasurer's Report

Every year the Board transfers money to schools and indicates an amount for School Council.

Last year we were given the option to carry over our unspent monies. We have \$500 and we have received another \$500 this year. Have \$1000.

Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

Last year we applied and received \$800 for a Guest Speaker

- Ideas? Grade specific support such as Grad gifts, Grad breakfast
- Teacher appreciation gifts/food (e.g., Teacher Appreciation Week will take place from February 5 to 11, 2023)



Update from Guidance

Course Selection Process
Speciality Programs (SHSM, OYAP, Co-op)
Credit Recovery



Course Selection Process



- **January 10-12 - Guidance Presentations**
 - Guidance counsellor visited Grade 9,10,11 and returning students classrooms to provide presentations and information sessions about course selection
- **January 16-20 - Pop-up Guidance**
 - Guidance was out in the main hallway taking questions about course selections, pathways. post-secondary and much more
 - The plan is to do this more often
- **January 26-31 - Visiting Grade 8 Family of Schools**
 - Guidance will be visiting Grade 8 classes at our family of elementary schools to provide presentations and information surrounding course selection and the transition to secondary school
- **February 16-24 - Lock-in/submission window**
 - Period of time during which students 'submit' online course selections through 'My Pathway Planner'
- **February 21-23 - Library support sessions during lunch**
 - Guidance will be providing course selection support sessions during lunch in the library
 - Reminders will be sent through the google classroom and announcements
- **February 24 - Deadline to submit courses though My Pathway Planner**



Course Selection Process



My Pathway Planner/myBlueprint

- Students will submit their course selections through myBlueprint
- Can access through the KHS website and click 'My Pathway Planner' icon. Sign in using student username and password
- Students will click 'high school' in the left-hand navigation menu to access their planner.
- To add a course, students will click on a '+' button. This will also provide information about the course and prerequisites needed.
- Students are encouraged to review their course selections with parents/guardian and when satisfied, click 'submit course'
- Once submitted, students will be asked to provide a parent/guardian email address to approve the selections

Course Selection Information

- Students were provided course selection information materials when counsellors visited their classrooms
- Also available on the KHS website under the guidance tab: [Course Offerings](#), [Timelines and Tips](#), [Pathways Planning](#)
- Will also be emailed to parents/guardians and posted in the Guidance/Student Success Google classroom



OYAP and Co-op

Cooperative Education (Co-op)

- Offered to Grade 11 and 12 students, 2 credit (AM or PM) or 4 credit (Full Day) available
- Combines a subject studied in school with a related job placement out of school
- Provides students with the opportunity to explore a career of interest, develop job skills, obtain career-related practical experience, and develop attitudes necessary for success in the workplace

Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP)

- A school to work program that opens the door for students to explore and gain training in apprenticeship occupations starting in Grade 11 or Grade 12 through the Cooperative Education program
- Students have an opportunity to become registered apprentices and work towards becoming certified in a skilled trade while completing their secondary school diplomas





SHSM and Dual Credit

Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

- A two year program designed to help students develop specialized skills in various careers
- Students will refine their career pathways while taking sector specific course requirement, including two-credit cooperative education
- Students will also be provided with career exploration and industry recognized certification opportunities
- KHS offers SHSM in Business and Transportation/Technology

College Delivered Dual Credit Program

- Program allows Grade 11 and 12 students, while they are still in secondary school, to take college or apprenticeship courses that count towards both the OSSD and a post-secondary college program
- Free tuition, transportation and textbooks
- Students learn in state-of-the-art facilities





Credit Recovery

- For students that have completed a course but have been unsuccessful in attaining the credit
- Offered through day school or summer school to enable students to meet course expectations that were not achieved initially.
- Students can be recommended for credit recovery by their subject teacher
 - A final mark in the range of 35%-49% may be an indicator that credit recovery might be appropriate. However, the final mark is not the sole determinant of credit recovery eligibility
 - Factors that contributed to the failing grade and the students learning profile/strengths are to be considered if/when a teacher is recommending credit recovery



Credit Recovery

- Once all marks have been submitted, the Student Success Team will review mark data and teacher recommendations and determine next steps for each student. This may mean the following:
 - Credit recovery is being offered, either at day school or summer school
 - Student has been recommended to repeat the course
- A member of the Student Success Team will then have a conversation with a parent/guardian as follow-up on next steps regarding the unsuccessful course for each student. This could include discussions about:
 - Which credit recovery is being offered and what that looks like for the student
 - Timetable and pathway discussions surrounding the decision to repeat the course



School Council Membership





ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Chair/Co-Chair:** Calls & chairs meetings; sets agendas; works collaboratively with members to assign duties
- **Vice-Chair:** Supports and assists the Chair
- **Treasurer:** Manages finances, reports monthly on accounts
- **Secretary:** Prepares agendas and takes minutes
- **Members:** Participate and encourage participation



COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Call for members

- **Chair/Co-Chair:**
- **Vice-Chair:**
- **Treasurer:** Robyn Caldwell
- **Secretary:** Corinne D'Angelo
- **Members:**

Send me your contact information candice.mott@yrdsb.ca





Priorities for the School Year

In June there is an annual report that we complete together outlining our joint work. We share how we attempt to do the following:

- support parent, family and community involvement and engagement;
- work towards building a positive school environment and an equitable and inclusive school community;
- celebrate achievements of students, schools and the community;
- provide additional support and training; or
- raise funds for the school



FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Date	Suggested Topics/Focus
Monday, March 20- 7:00 p.m.	Graduation, Prom, Further discussion around funds, School Forum recap
Monday, May 15 - 7:00 p.m.	OSAP + Financing Post Secondary

* School Council Forum - February 13, 2023 at SDHS from 5:30-8:00 pm
Robyn and Corrine will be attending along with Admin team.



Questions & Suggested Topics for Future Meetings

