Second Semester Begins on Monday

The staff at King City Secondary School have been busily preparing for the start of second semester on Monday, February 4th. After a busy examination period, the school will return to its regular routine as we welcome our students back to begin their new courses. Some important things to note:

Semester 2 Timetables
Timetables for second semester were emailed out to parents and to students (via their GAPPS account) earlier today.

Cafeteria
The cafeteria will resume service on Monday.

Review of Procedures
Monday will have an extended homeroom so that teachers can review school procedures including: academic honesty, attendance use of electronic devices and assessment. On Thursday, February 7th, each grade will attend an assembly reviewing our Caring and Safe Schools Policy.

KCSS ASD - Fun Night Out

On January 29th, a group of staff and students from the KCSS ASD program decided to go out and have a “fun night”, where students had the opportunity to spend time with peers in the program playing games of mini-putt and laser tag in Richmond Hill. Students could choose between going to Laser Quest or Putting Edge and each had tons of fun. Students who went to Laser Quest briefly split up during the game but eventually came together as they encountered each other. For the second match, another unrelated group of teens came and they played the second match together with them in the maze. It was more challenging with the extra people but that made it more fun. For the students who chose to go to Putting Edge, they started off taking turns putting, and then proceeded to different holes. At the eighteenth hole one student decided to make a slapshot with his ball. The ball ended up flying behind the basketball game in the arcade. After our games, we all went to Wild Wing restaurant, that was relatively close by. Overall, we had a very fun time and will definitely go there again.

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School News

National Sweater Day

Thursday, February 7 is National Sweater Day. According to the World Wildlife Fund “National Sweater Day has traditionally fallen on the first Thursday of February. Since 2010, over a million Canadians have participated in National Sweater Day at their schools, workplaces and homes.

We are thrilled to see that Canadians have made Sweater Day their own by turning down the heat, wrapping up and taking on climate change every February”

All of the KCSS community is encourage to wear a sweater on February 7th to help combat climate change. Maybe Mr. Mackie will wear this awesome sweater again when it is National Sweater Day at KCSS?

Late bus?

Bus running late? Bad weather? Don’t forget to check the late bus report at www.schoolbuscity.com to get an update on the bus’ expected arrival time.

Important Dates

To view our entire school calendar online click here.

Monday February 4th
- First Day of Semester 2

Thursday February 7th
- Grade Assemblies

Friday February 8th
- Mini ROC King (Grade 9)
- Leo Barbe Assembly (Grade 10 &11)
- Semester 1 Report Cards go home
- Course Selection Materials for 2019-20 Distributed

Wednesday February 13th
- School Council Meeting (7 pm)

Thursday February 14th
- Grad Photo Retakes

Thursday February 21st
- Pacal, Cayley & Fermat Math Contests

Friday February 8th
- Course Selection Materials for 2019-20 Due in Home Room

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Vaping Resources for Parents

Teen use of vaping has increased dramatically over the past year. The increase of teen vaping may be connected to an increase in cigarette smoking by teens. For more information please follow this link.

Health Canada has created two resources to help parents and guardians understand vaping and provide some guidance on how to approach the topic with their teen. The first is Talking to Your Teen About Vaping: A Tips Sheet for Parents. It contains useful information about vaping, the risks and ways to talk to your child about vaping. The second resource is a visual explanation of the mechanics of vaps. Vaping the Mechanics explains the vaping device, what makes up the liquid (juice) and how the vape works (see below for an excerpt). Please click on the resource titles to follow the link. Should you be interested in more resources, please contact the school.
Information on School Bus Cancellation

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries which prevents the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

A bus cancellation message will be available at www.schoolbuscity.com, by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on Twitter.

Parents, students and school staff may also access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

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