

École Élémentaire Casorso Elementary School

Weekly Howl - March 14th, 2025

250-870-5135

School Web Site - https://cas.sd23.bc.ca/



WEEK OF March 31st, 2025

MONDAY March 31st

• First Day Back to School After Spring Vacation

TUESDAY April 1st

• 10:54 am - Gr 6 Battle of the Books Practice (Library)

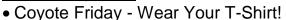
WEDNESDAY April 2nd

- 10:54 am Gr 5 Battle of the Books Practice (Library)
- 12:39 pm Track & Field (practice) Intermediates

THURSDAY April 3rd

- 10:54 am Gr 3/4 Battle of the Books Practice (Library)
- 12:39 pm Track & Field (practice) Intermediates

FRIDAY April 4th





• Last Day to buy Movie Tickets!!!!



SAFE DROP OFF & PICK UP TIMES

Supervision Begins: 8:10 am Supervision Ends: 2:45 pm

OFFICE HOURS 8:00 am 3:00 pm



Our office, and therefore the school, is accessible and open, between these times. During these hours, office staff are available to assist both students and families as necessary.



EARLY LEARNING FOR FAMILIES

This year, our Casorso ELFF event will be held at the school on <u>Thursday, April 17th from 4:00 – 5:30 pm.</u> If you plan to attend, please scan this QR code, or call the school office at 250-870-5135, or send an email to: <u>cas@sd23.bc.ca</u> to sign up your <u>3 and/or 4-year-old</u> pre-school child to participate. For more information about this event (for children who will <u>not</u> turn 5 in 2025) click this see the invitation attached to this Howl.





2026 – 2028 School Calendar Survey

We invite families and school communities to share their input on the proposed calendars for next two school years.

<u>Please click here</u> to review the proposed calendars and find a link to the very <u>brief survey</u>.

Please share your thoughts on the proposal by <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 11</u>, **2025**. The 2025-2026 calendar is already established and <u>available</u> here.

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES

Our School Cash Online program can accept payments for outstanding School Fees (\$35.00) and Cultural Fees (\$10.00) for the 2024/2025 school year. All school fees, including Field Study fees, can be paid via School Cash Online with credit card or debit card at: https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/ We can also accept cheques or exact cash at the school office.

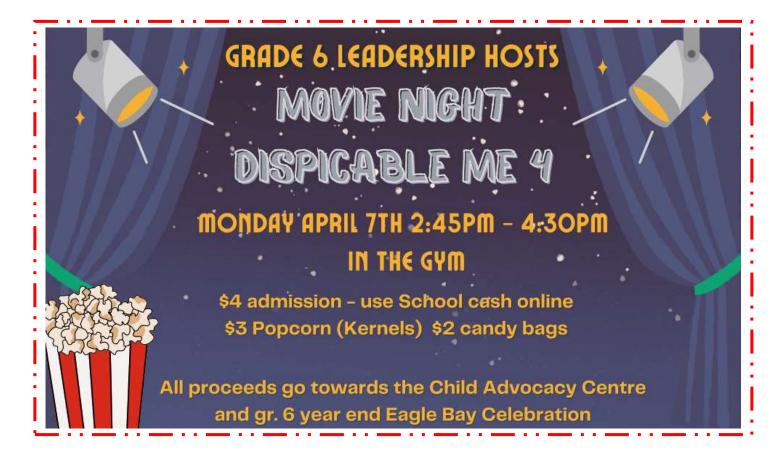
Please be advised of the following:

A student "Will <u>not</u> be excluded from any educational program due to financial hardship".

Please contact our school Principal Jared Birkeland <u>jared.birkeland@sd23.bc.ca</u> if you are facing a financial hardship that may restrict the ability to pay these fees.

GRADE 6 LEADERSHIP UPCOMING MOVIE NIGHT:

Please support our upcoming Movie Night event, hosted by our Grade 6 leadership team. The last day to purchase admission tickets and snacks for this event is on Friday, April 4th through School Cash Online. https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/ This fun afternoon will be held on Monday, April 7th from 2:45 pm to 4:30 pm in the Casorso Gym! Proceeds from this event will go to the Child Advocacy Centre and our Eagle Bay Event.



Measles Prevention: What You Need to Know

Vaccination is the most effective way to prevent measles. Measles vaccines are tested and are effective at protecting your children and others from serious illness.

Having two closes of a measles-containing vaccine greatly reduces the risk of catching the disease. These two doses are nearly 100% effective and are recommended for children and teens.

To book an appointment to update your child's immunization visit Interforhealth.ca or scan this QR code to find the closest Community Health Centre.



if you are not sure if your child is fully protected against Measles, or other preventable diseases visit Health Gateway, or scan this OR code.



Increased Measles Around the World

As you may have seen in the news, there is an increase in the number of measles cases being reported around the word, including in Canada and in B.C.

We would like to remind you to check your child's vaccination records before travelling during Spring Break and to ensure they are protected:

If you are planning to travel internationally:

- Babies between the age of 6 months and 1 year should get immunized against measles before travelling. This dose is not included in the routine two doses but will add to the protection against measles while travelling.
- Children between age 1 and 4 years can get their second dose early if they are travelling internationally before they are due at age 4-6yrs.

If your child has not yet had their vaccines, please make an appointment with your local public health unit. Children 4 years or older, as well as adults, can also be vaccinated at community pharmacies.

Measles is a serious illness caused by the measles virus. It is very contagious.

- It can spread easily through air.
- Measles can cause complications like inflammation of the brain (encephalitis), which can lead to seizures, deafness or brain damage. Other complications can include ear infection, diarrhea, pneumonia and death. This is why protection by vaccination is so important.

If you have immunization records for your child that are not recorded in their Health Gateway profile, you can submit those records online by sending them to immunization record gov by pa

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Driefor Health would like to recognize and acknowledge the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Dilikelt Dené, Ktunaus, Niska'partus, Secréperic, Shaffiric, syts, and Tillingot'in Nations where we live, learn, collaborate and work together.

AN IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS:

We need your cooperation to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and families. There have been some very close calls with vehicles in our parking lot, and we want to prevent any accidents.

To keep everyone safe, please follow our traffic guidelines:

- No parking or drop-offs inside school grounds before or after school.
- Use the Kiss and Go lane for quick drop-offs.
- Park at the Church of God, Rotary Beach, or nearby side streets if needed.

Your support makes a big difference in keeping our school community safe. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Traffic for Casorso 2024 2025 (2).pdf



Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2025** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grade 4, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at cas@sd23.bc.ca

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

Website: https://casorsofamilies.weebly.com/ Email: cas.pacpresident@sd23.bc.ca

FUNDRAISERS!!

Support our school by supporting our PAC! The Purdys and Artwork Storage Frame fundraisers are open now and close the weekend of April 5th. For Purdys, go to purdys.com/fundraising and enter customer number **42183**. For the frames, visit https://casorso.itemorder.com/shop/home/ Please check out the **POSTERS** attached to this Howl for more information about these fundraisers!

On April 10th at 7:00 pm, COPAC & Jennie King from Science World will present: *Al for Parents* Register now: https://sd23.zoom.us/meeting/register/Ghqd n28RbK6uLxXY6cgEw More details to follow!

RoboCup Jr. is an upcoming community event to be held on Friday, April 11th, 2025. You may still have time to assemble a team to register before the March 15th deadline!

https://www.okanagan.bc.ca/technologies/electronic-engineering/robocup

The Casorso PAC is hosting the next general meeting on Monday, April 14th at 6:30 PM in the Casorso Library. All parents / guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. Childcare and snacks will be provided.

PLEASE SEE BROCHURES BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR:

- 1. Grade 6 Eagle Bay Camp Fundraiser: "Pizza & Tunes" Thursday, April 3rd POSTER
- 2. Casorso PAC Storage Frames Fundraiser POSTER
- 3. Casorso PAC Purdys Chocolatier Fundraiser POSTER
- 4. Casorso ELFF: Early Learning For Families, April 17th, 2025 POSTER
- 5. Central Okanagan Public Schools: School Bus Safety Stop POSTER
- 6. Canada Safety Home Alone & Babysitting Courses POSTER
- 7. Royal Soccer Club: Soccer Day Camps 2025 POSTER
- 8. Kelowna 2025 Spring Ball Hockey League POSTER
- 9. Kelowna Minor Basketball Association, Boys & Girls Gr K-10: POSTER
- 10. Kelowna Minor Football: NFL Flag Football POSTER
- 11. Kelowna Kodiak Lacrosse POSTER



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PROUDLY DISPLAY YOUR CHILD'S ARTWORK

Storage Frames Fundraiser 2025



Proudly display your child's artwork or school work for the entire year in this black shadowbox. The door in front makes it easy for you to switch out papers or to simply add the latest creation to the top of the stack.

These frames not only showcase your child's artwork, they are a convenient storage location for their older works of art.

Our online store will be open until April 5th.
Orders will be ready approx. 2 weeks later.

SHOP ONLINE AT

HTTPS://CASORSO.ITEMORDER.COM/



ATTENTION PARENTS OF 3 & 4 YEAR-OLDS!



You and your family are invited to join us for...

ELFF & Ready, Set, Learn

Early Learning for Families & the Ready, Set, Learn Program are creating a great event taking place at

École Élémentaire Casorso Elementary School

THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH @ 4:00 - 5:30 pm

"When parents are involved in the children's education, their children do better. ELFF is a program for families of 3 year old children designed to improve their success in literacy and to build connections between home and school".

> Brought to you by School District No. 23 and ReadNowBC (Ready, Set, Learn)



We will.....



- Eat supper together (pizza)
- Learn together while the children play
- Play together while our children learn
- Make and take special things home
- Give you a "goodie bag" for home

ELFF is free of charge for all members of your family. Childcare will be provided along with supper for all of you.

If you plan to attend, please use the following QR code to access the registration form before 3:00 pm on MONDAY, APRIL 14TH



For any questions please call the school @ 250-870-5135.







Save a child's life – it's only a moment of your time.



You must stop for school buses showing flashing red lights and extended stop signs.



Traffic in both directions must stop, as children may cross the street in front of the bus.



Failure to stop for a school bus can result in a \$368 fine. Repeated violations carry escalating penalties.











Registration Deadline is March 20, 2025

For more information or to register please visit: kelownaballhockey.com



Kelowma Ball Hockey is a registered member of the BCBall Hockey Association, players have access to Provincial, Regional, National and World Championships.







SPRING NFL FLAG IS RETURNING TO KELOWNA ARE YOU READY

Exciting News!
NFL FLAG is returning to Kelowna Minor Football
Association for Spring 2025!

KMFA has been a cornerstone for the Okanagan's football future, providing top-tier development for young athletes.

From Little Tykes (5-7) to U10-U16, our NFL Flag programs are designed to give every player an unforgettable experience!

This is the opportunity your young athlete has been waiting for! * Whether they're new to football or ready to take their skills to the next level, KMFA is the place to be.

Registration is now open!

Stay tuned and sign up by visiting our Instagram,
Facebook, or head over to kmfa.ca for all the details!

Let's make this Spring unforgettable!
#KMFA #NFLFlag #OkanaganFootball #FutureChampions

#FootballFamily #KelownaSports

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Register at: kelownalacrosse.ca

