



École Élémentaire Casorso Elementary School

Weekly Howl – November 7th, 2025

250-870-5135

School Web Site – <https://cas.sd23.bc.ca/>



WEEK OF November 10, 2025



MONDAY 10th

- 7:40 am – Grade 6 Boys Volleyball Practice
- 10:00 am – Remembrance Day Assembly

TUESDAY 11th

- Remembrance Day – **No School**

WEDNESDAY 12th

- 1:45 pm – Roots of Empathy visits Casorso
- 3:30 pm – Boys Volleyball Jamboree @ SVE

THURSDAY 13th

- 11:30 am – Student Coyote Council Meeting
- 11:54 am – Ms. DeFaria & Ms. Ghadirian students to H2O
- 3:30 pm – Girls Volleyball Jamboree @ SVE

FRIDAY 14th

- Coyote Friday - Wear Your T-Shirt!



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.



GRADE 6 ART CARD FUNDRAISER ENDS TONIGHT!

Please order your art cards by midnight tonight. Order your child's card via the site:

orders.artcardsbykids.com. Log in information can be found on the back of your student's art card.

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held Monday, November 10th from 10:00am – 10:45am in the gym. Students who are participating will practice Monday morning before the assembly. We encourage all students to bring a donation to the Royal Canadian Legion for the poppy which will be handed out in class prior to the assembly.

“CAS – Putting Our Paws Together To Make A Difference!”



October 31st, 2025

Students that are members of a service group are invited to wear their uniforms to school and participate in our Remembrance Day Assembly on Monday, November 10th at 10am. This group of students will follow the Flag Procession into the gym. Some students from this group will also be chosen to lay the wreaths from their class.

Please bring a change of clothes for recess and the afternoon.

Thank you for your participation!

Please mark this on your calendar and contact me if you have any further questions. Please use this QR code to sign up your child as part of this procession.



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Jared Birkeland, Principal

Natalie Morin, Vice-Principal

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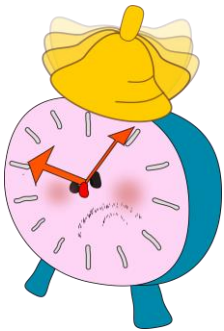
To celebrate **Harmony Day** and **Multicultural Week** we will be having a school wide cultural picnic on **Wednesday, November 19th**. The students are invited to contribute a nut free food item to share that represents their culture.

A newsletter with more information and to seek out parent volunteers came out this week! We look forward to sharing this special cultural event with our school community!

GRADE 6 CAMP 2026: THIS YEAR AT GREEN BAY!

Last week we met with Grade 6 parents and provided information regarding this year's camp. This year, the Grade 6 camp will be May 26th - 27th, 2026 at Green Bay in West Kelowna! For more information, please visit our Casorso website and go to the **NEWS** page to view the slideshow: [Grade 6 yearend celebration at Green Bay Camp](#). All Grade 6 students are encouraged to attend the year-end camp, regardless of their financial means. We are asking parents / guardians of Grade 6 students to please sign up to help with fundraising [here](#). If you are interested in being a chaperone, please sign up [here](#).

Our camp planning team is asking families to pay a \$50.00 deposit, due before December 1st, 2025 - please use school cash online: <https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/>



IN SUPPORT OF BEING ON TIME

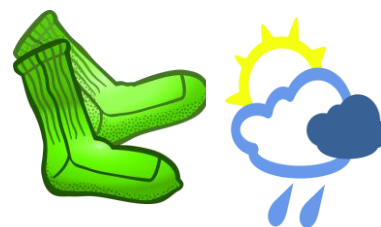
Our school places an emphasis on being on time. It is very helpful and adds success to each child's day when all students are seated by the second bell and classroom instruction can begin without interruption. Arriving on time sets up all our students for success. Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation with this goal. If your child arrives late, please ensure that they report in at the Office before going to their classroom.

Please also remember school ends at 2:30pm and there is supervision in the playground until 2:45pm. If there is a later pick-up, please have your child wait at the front of the school or in the waiting area by the office.

Hello, Casorso Families,

Our seasons are rapidly changing in our beautiful Okanagan Valley. Cooler, wet weather has arrived along with a dip in temperatures. Please ensure that your children bring that extra sweater or coat so that they can enjoy the outdoors on our school play area at lunch and recess. Also, an extra pair of dry pants and dry socks would be appreciated..... for all our students!

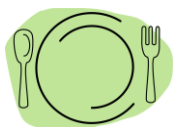
Thank you!



We have been noticing that some of our students are coming to the office to let us know that they are still hungry after they have finished eating their lunch. Now that the colder weather has arrived, we ask that you and your child pack a few extra healthy snacks each day to keep their growing bodies fueled! This includes fun lunch or hot lunch days as well...thank you!



REMINDER: CUTLERY FOR LUNCHES



Parents, please remember to pack a spoon/fork with your child's lunch when it is required, as we are unable to provide utensils at school. Thank you!



*A gentle reminder that our school is making every effort to be a **PEANUT / NUT AWARE** environment. We have students with life threatening nut sensitivities. Thank you in advance for your help by not sending peanut / nut products to school to keep everyone as safe as possible.*

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

Website: <https://casorsofamilies.weebly.com/> Email: cas.pac@sd23.bc.ca

HAPPY FALL!

If you are missing your Fall Fair Pictures, please contact the school office (250-870-5135) - we will pass your information along to the Photo Booth Photographer.

The Casorso PAC is hosting the next general meeting on **Monday, November 17th**, from **6:30 to 8:00 pm**, in the Casorso Library. All parents/guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. Childcare and snacks will be provided.

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The PAC is made up of all parents and guardians of Casorso students. Get involved by joining our meetings, volunteering, or simply donating. Together, we can help Casorso Elementary thrive. Let's make our school the best it can be! Watch this 1-minute video to learn how you can support our children's education at Casorso by supporting the PAC:

<https://vimeo.com/1072237238/386ea62f43>

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The Casorso PAC has an ongoing fundraiser with Mabel's Labels! Stay organized this school year with waterproof, name labels and tags. Visit Mabel's Labels at mabelslabels.com, click "Support a fundraiser", type "Casorso", select "Casorso Elementary School (Kelowna)", and then "Shop Now".

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Coming Up: Thank you to everyone who contributed to the **Coat and Boot Drive**.

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The **Community Values** is a new take on the traditional coupon book. For only \$35 the book features local vendors in the Kelowna/Vernon area and each book sold supports the PAC. Check out the [Kelowna PDF](#) to see the deals available. You can still purchase, a few copies remain! Purchase via eTransfer (Cas.PacTreasurer@gmail.com), cash or cheque. Arrange pick up via an email to Cas.PacTreasurer@gmail.com.

COPAC News:

- Virtual parent education opportunity on Wednesday November 19th at 6:30 pm with Samantha Woods of *Kaizen Education* on **ADHD & Executive Function Skills**. We will be sharing more details about that event in early November.
- **Geering-UP UBC-O** runs Saturday programming through the Winter. See attached a digital poster for Saturday Clubs as well as a digital poster for the Junior Instructor Volunteer Opportunity.

PLEASE SEE BROCHURES BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Harmony Day/ Multicultural Picnic

To: Families of Ecole Casorso Elementary
From: CAS Staff
Re: HARMONY DAY — School-Wide Cultural Picnic



Wednesday, November 19th, 2025

We invite our students to participate in Harmony Day/ Multicultural Week by:

- wearing cultural clothing that represents
 - family heritage OR
 - Red and white for Canada
- contribute a food item to a school-wide multicultural potluck picnic
- attending the "Harmony Day Multicultural Picnic": gr. K - 3 (a.m.) or gr. 4 - 6 (p.m.)
- bringing a reusable **dish and fork** to use during the picnic
- Having family volunteer to help with the event

We are asking each family to contribute one nut-free dish to the potluck (if possible!) — the item can be from any country/culture. **Please send serving utensils and put your child's name and teacher's name on everything (dish/pot/bowl/pan/spoons). We are not able to re-heat food, so please plan accordingly.**

Every year we have had plenty of food to go around, however, please be sure to send your child some regular snacks and a small lunch in case they didn't eat enough. If your child has serious allergies, it may be wise to pack them a special lunch of their own, as we would still love for all students to participate in our Harmony Day celebration.

And finally, we need volunteers to help with setting-up, serving, and cleaning-up. It's a fun time and the students will be excited to try new food and contribute to the potluck! Please fill in the info below & return it to your child's teacher by **Thursday, November 13th**.

! YOUTH E EMPLOYMENT S SUMMIT



Kelowna Ramada Hotel & Conference Centre

2170 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna BC Canada V1Y-6G8

Thursday November 20th, 2025 | 1 pm - 7pm

A FREE Inclusive Employment Event for youth with disabilities

Register and read more at: inclusionBC.org/YES



The Youth Employment Summit (YES!) is coming to your community — and we want you to be part of it!

These inclusive, free events are designed to spark inspiration and open doors — whether you're just starting to think about your future or ready to step into the workforce. Join us to meet new people, learn from professionals, and take the next step on your employment journey!

FREE Snacks & Drinks!

Fuel up while you connect and learn.

This event is brought to you in collaboration with Pathways Abilities Society, Central Okanagan Public Schools, WHEELS Transition to Employment Program & Okanagan College

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Is your child too sick for school?



Deciding when your child is too sick for school is not always an easy decision.

Children should not come to school if they are sick and unable to participate fully in routine activities. If you have questions and concerns about your child's health, talk with a qualified healthcare professional.

Keep children at home if they have:

- a fever, and keep them home for **24** hours after the fever is gone away without the help of medication (see reverse page on how to take a temperature).
- vomiting or diarrhea, and keep them home for **48** hours after the last episode.
- a severe sore throat.
- a rash with no known cause.
- a severe cough especially with other symptoms like a runny nose and headache.
- redness, swelling or discharge of the eyes, ears or skin, unless treated.
- been acting unwell and have little energy to join in school activities.

For questions about your child's health you can:

1. Dial 811 or go to HealthLinkBC.ca to speak with a:

- Registered Nurse 24 hours a day, every day of the year.
- Registered Dietitian every weekday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST.
- Pharmacist every night from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. PST every day of the year.

2. Contact an Urgent Care, Walk-in Clinic or Doctor's Office.

- See the reverse page on when to go to the emergency department.



Seasonal Respiratory Illness

In the fall and winter, we can expect to see more respiratory illness. This is an annual occurrence, but there are measures we can all take to prevent illness and manage symptoms while at home. Here is some information that may be helpful: [It's respiratory illness season](#).

For more information on specific illnesses see: [A Quick Guide to Common Childhood Diseases](#)



UBC Geering Up
Kelowna, Okanagan



WINTER 2026 SATURDAY CLUBS

JOIN US FOR OUR 2026 STEAM CLUBS!

Discover your inner scientist at these themed STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) clubs! Join us in Kelowna for exciting 10-session programs and be amazed by our passionate undergraduate staff.

DATES

January: 17, 24, 31
February: 7, 21, 28
March: 7, 14, 21, 28

MEETING INFO

- UBC Okanagan Campus
- Saturday mornings, 10am-12pm

PRICING

\$250 for 10 club sessions

Need financial assistance? Visit our website for bursary opportunities.

CLUB THEMES

Maker: Grades 1-2

Get ready to build, create, and explore! In this 10-week Saturday club, students in grades 1-2 will jump into the exciting world of engineering through hands-on projects and imaginative challenges. Each week introduces a new theme – from designing amazing structures to inventing for outer space, the deep ocean, and beyond. With plenty of opportunities to tinker, experiment, and bring ideas to life, this club is perfect for curious minds who love to dream big and build even bigger.

STEM with an A: Grades 3-4

Step into a world of discovery and creativity! In this 10-week Saturday club, students in grades 3-4 will explore STEM through exciting experiments, eye-opening demos, and hands-on engineering builds. Each week offers new opportunities to design, test, and invent while connecting science, technology, and art in fun and engaging ways. With plenty of chances to problem-solve and create, this club is all about sparking curiosity and building a love of STEM.

STEM with an A: Grades 5-6

Take your innovation and problem-solving to the next level! In this 10-week Saturday club, students in grades 5-6 will tackle exciting challenges that combine science, technology, engineering, math, and a sprinkle of art in unique and innovative ways. From building creative projects to experimenting with design thinking and scientific exploration, each week offers opportunities to invent, test, and discover. Topics like forensics, technology, sustainable engineering, and biology will guide our hands-on challenges and inspire fresh ideas.

Engineering Sustainability: Grades 7-9

Design, build, and code solutions that make a difference! In this hands-on STEM club, grades 7-9 students will explore several exciting branches of Engineering - from mechanical and civil to environmental and computer science - offering a sneak peek into post-secondary engineering pathways. Participants will take on coding activities that connect digital tools with real-world problem solving. Every session focuses on challenges rooted in sustainability, eco-friendly design, and a healthier planet. Program, prototype, and engineer a brighter, more sustainable future.

Creative STEM: Grades 10-12

Think engineering is all numbers and formulas? Think again! This hands-on STEM club for grades 10-12 puts creativity at the center of every project. Explore how Engineers in every field – from mechanical to environmental, electrical to biomedical – use imagination to tackle real-world problems. Build, design, and experiment with exciting projects while discovering the many pathways towards post-secondary engineering.



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AND REGISTER:**

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