

École Élémentaire Casorso Elementary School

Weekly Howl - June 27th, 2025

250-870-5135

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



WEEK OF September 1st, 2025

MONDAY 1st

Labour Day - School Closed

TUESDAY 2nd



 8:30 am - School Opens after Summer Break (Early Dismissal at 11:00 for all students)

WEDNESDAY 3rd

THURSDAY 4th

FRIDAY 5th

- 8:45 am Welcome Back Assembly (Primary)
- 9:25 am Welcome Back Assembly (Intermediate)

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.

2025 YEAR-END FAREWELL

As we wrap up another incredible school year, I want to take a moment to pause and reflect on all that has made this year at Casorso Elementary so special. With over 500 students learning in both English and French Immersion, our hallways are always buzzing with energy, laughter, and learning. Every day is full, sometimes even hectic - but at the heart of it all, there's always something to celebrate.

Like many schools, we have our routines - bells that ring, lessons that unfold, and report cards that arrive. But what truly sets Casorso apart isn't the schedule or the structure. It's the people.

Casorso shines because of you. Our Coyotes students, staff, and families - are what make this school come alive. Your kindness, your curiosity, your determination, and your care for one another are what make this a place where we all belong. I feel so lucky to be a part of this community - my home away from home.

To our returning students: I can't wait to see what you'll do next. Keep bringing your best, keep growing your mindset, keep working on your goals, and most importantly - keep being you. Casorso is better because of each one of you.

To our Grade 6 students moving on: thank you for your leadership, your laughter, and your example. You've shown our younger Coyotes what it means to be positive, respectful, and successful learners. We're proud of who you are and who you're becoming. As you take the next step in your journey, know that we'll be cheering you on every step of the way.

To our dedicated staff and supportive parents: thank you. Your hard work, care, and commitment have made all the difference. You've helped create an environment where students can thrive and feel seen, safe, and successful.

I hope everyone enjoys a summer filled with sunshine, rest, and joy. You've earned it. Come back recharged and ready for another amazing chapter. Take Care, Coyotes - and happy summer!

Jared Birkeland, Principal

FIRST DAY BACK...

The 1st day of school for the 2025/26 school year is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 2nd</u> with classes **beginning at 8:30 am** and an **early dismissal** at **11:00 am**. Regular school hours (8:30 - 2:30) will resume on Wednesday, September 3rd.

We are optimistic that all students will be organized into their 2025/2026 classes on either Wednesday or Thursday the first week, depending on student movement over the summer and new registrations.

Message from Central Okanagan Public Schools:

The Central Okanagan School District's Sanctuary Schools Policy

Board Policy 421 – Sanctuary Schools (see https://www.sd23.bc.ca/)

upholds the Board's commitment to providing educational opportunities for all students who are ordinarily residents in the Central Okanagan, including those with precarious immigration status or no immigration status. Student registrations that pertain to Policy 421 – Sanctuary Schools will be processed through the Welcome Centre.

Policy 421 – Sanctuary Schools:

https://www.sd23.bc.ca/documents/cd7bd119-5ce7-5dfa-8b78a054eb0e01d7/421.pdf

Welcome Centre: https://welcomecentre.sd23.bc.ca/

Upcoming Events:

Mark your calendar!
Student photos will be
taken on

Monday, September 15th
Bring your smiles!



PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

Website: https://casorsofamilies.weebly.com/ Email: CAS.PacPresident@sd23.bc.ca

THANK YOU!

The PAC would like to extend their appreciation to all of the parents/guardians supporting all aspects of Casorso life, from Hot Lunch to fundraisers, spirit events, field trips, sporting events, the spring production, and more! Thank you for all of your time, effort, and contributions, big and small. You have made a difference in supporting, encouraging, and improving the quality of education for, and welfare of, the Casorso students. Thank you!

The Casorso PAC is hosting the next Annual General Meeting on Monday, September 15th at 6:30 PM in the Casorso Library. All parents/guardians of Casorso students are welcome and encouraged to attend. Childcare and snacks will be provided.

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

Summer is right around the corner! Please see this resource for activities you can do in Kelowna and West Kelowna this summer with your child. Enjoy the sun and have fun! <u>Free Summer Fun for Kids Newsletter - June 2025 (1) (1).pdf</u>

PLEASE SEE BROCHURES BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR:

- 1. Central Okanagan Public Schools: Homestay International Students POSTER
- 2. Strong Roots Centre, Childhood Connections: Nourish Families Programs POSTER
- 3. City of Kelowna: Park & Play 2025 July and August SUMMER CALENDARS
- 4. Kelowna Art Gallery Art Adventures Summer Camps POSTER
- 5. City of Kelowna: Licensed Summer Break Camps Registration Opened May 5th, 2025
- 6. Okanagan Regional Library's Summer Reading Club POSTER
- 7. Canada Safety Council Home Alone & Babysitting Courses POSTER
- 8. Royal Soccer Club: Soccer Day Camps 2025 POSTER

Grow your family this fall!

Join the growing community of Central Okanagan families hosting international students!

- Full-year or single semester
- Students arrive Sept. 2025
- Secondary students only
- \$1,100/month per student



Apply today to join

the growing community of host families who enjoy the many benefits of hosting international students.

We are especially looking for host families in Central Kelowna and Mission to host male students from Germany.

Students are arriving at the end of August to start in Sept. 2025, and your home could be the best part of their Canadian experience!

- * Full-year or single semester placements
- *<u>Secondary students only</u>
- *<u>\$1,100/month per student</u>

If you have room in your home and room in your heart, please click here to learn more and apply.

REGISTER NOW

NOURISH FAMILIES PROGRAMS

Come together as parents to connect, learn and grow. Nourish is about building community, learning together, and making meaningful memories.



Early Nourish 0-12 months Early Nourish 12-24 months Nourish for School-Aged parents Nourish with childminding





DISCOVER OUTDOOR FUN AT PARK & PLAY, a free event for all ages! Join us in various parks across the city to enjoy recreational activities like Ladderball, inflatables, giant board games, and more. Bring your family, friends, and neighbours for an evening of fun. Plus, Festivals Kelowna's ParksAlive! program will be on-site seven different times this summer with musical entertainment.

CITY OF KELOWNA PARK & PLAY - JULY & AUGUST



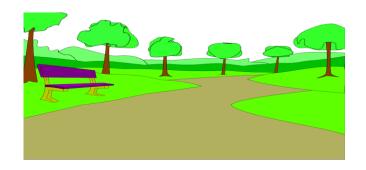
Free family-friendly activities at Kelowna parks every weekday night from 5-8 p.m.

JULY					AUGUST				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Stat holiday No Park & Play	Cameron Park	3 Knox Mountain Park	4 Golfview Park	Johnson Road Park	Davie Park	30 Hartwick Park	31 Waterfront Park (Meikle Ave)	Quarry Park
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Enjoy live music with Parks Alive! on location. Visit **festivalskelowna.com** for the entertainment schedule. Parks Alive! events run until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays and 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

Parents/guardians are responsible for the care of their children. Remember to bring a hat and water bottle! Park & Play is weather dependent - check kelowna.ca/parkandplay for the latest updates.



Park & Play | City of Kelowna



During the months of July and August, the Kelowna Art Gallery's popular children's art camps return. Art Adventures are week-long, either half-day or full-day art camps for children ages 6 to 12.

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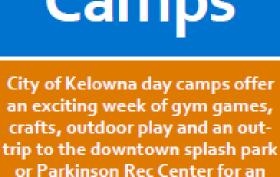
Weekly Cost: \$275 (full day) \$165 (half day) Members receive a 20% discount

Register Online Today! or call 250-762-2226

KELOWNA ART GALLERY

1315 Water Street | www.kelownaartgallery.com

2025 Licensed Summer Camps



afternoon of swimming!



Join our fantastic staff for action-packed weeks for kids K-12Y!

Weekly Camp Themes

June 30 - July 4* Oh Canada

July 7 - 11 Space Exploration

July 14 - 18 The Enchanted Forest

July 21 - 25 Gamer Week

July 28 - August 1 Art Attack

August 4 - 8* Water Splashdown

August 11 - 15 All About Sports

August 18 - 22 Best of the Best



Watson Road Elementary 475 Yates Road

*no care on Stat holidays

July 7 - 11 Space Exploration

July 14 - 18 World Olympics

July 21 - 25 Myths and Legends

July 28 - August 1 Medieval Times

August 4 - 8* Cowboy Jamboree

August 11 - 15 Water Week

August 18 - 22 Bankhead's Got Talent

August 25 - 29 Camp Rewind



Bankhead Elementary

1280 Wilson Avenue

*no care on Stat holidays

Registration opens Monday, May 5

Registration must be completed through the Program Manager. Please contact for more information.

Subsidy available!



Bankhead: bankheadkelowna@gmail.com



Watson Road: wraspkelowna@gmail.com



Bubble Wonders Show

From bubbles inside bubbles to the dazzling bubble caterpillar and inspiration. Geoff Akins has been entertaining, educating, over 30 years with his gentle spirit, sense of humor and gift and the "kid in a bubble," this show is packed with wonder of rapport. Bring your curiosity and be ready for surprises! and empowering children and adults alike worldwide for

Family | Drop-In

Thursday | July 31 | 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM

Digital Painting Workshop

Create your own digital masterpiece using drawing tablets and beginner-friendly art software. Explore different painting tools, test out techniques, and enjoy a hands-on art experience

9 to 12 years old | Drop-In

Tuesday | July 15 | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Fossil Fun

for a fossil-packed event! Explore real fossils, hear amazing tales Love dinosaurs and ancient creatures? John Bob the Fossil Guy from the past, and go home with a special fossil-themed gift.

Family | Drop-In

Thursday | August 7 | 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Visit your local library all summer long to discover free activities, contests and more!

Hours of Operation Mon

10 am - 5 pm

10 am - 8 pm 10 am - 8 pm

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Tue

10 am - 8 pm

10 am - 5 pm 2

10 am - 5 pm Sat

11 am - 3 pm

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BC SUMMER READING CLUB 2025 OUR SO

Two fun ways to participate

Starting June 23, embark on an unforgettable journey!!

Explore amazing wonders at your local library and join the FREE Summer Reading Club! You can Join any time during the summer.



www.babysittingkelowna.com
kidz4safety@gmail.com
or
call/text 250-317-2868



