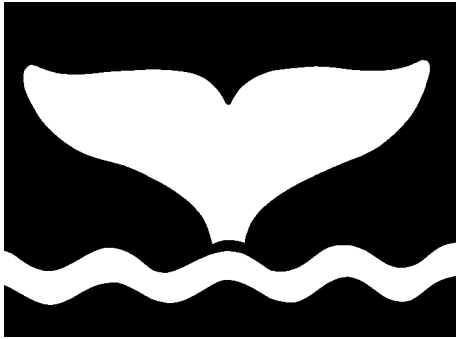


# THE WHALE'S TALE



Frances Kelsey Secondary's  
latest breaking news and views

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## Students Against Drunk Driving

SADD Week May 12 – 15, 2003

by Francene Benoit, student

The week started with a crunch! The Mill Bay Fire Department and SADD members set up a *mock collision*. The students then had an opportunity to listen to the guest speaker, Michael Buckingham, a state trooper from Washington State. Michael Buckingham sent out a message that students need to think twice before getting into a car with someone who has been drinking.

On Tuesday, we were fortunate to have Paul McNicols from ICBC. Students got a chance to try out the *fatal vision goggles* with some disastrous results! He also had a *brake reaction test machine* set up. A damaged vehicle was set-up in the parking lot for students to estimate the speed it was going when it crashed.

Then on Wednesday, students had a chance to be involved in the *mocktails contest* under the dome at lunch time. A wide variety of delicious non-alcoholic drinks were

created by four teams of students.

Thursday students got a chance to prove their knowledge of impaired driving statistics on the *wheel of misfortune*. This was a great success with some awesome prizes awarded.

All week the *colouring contest* and *poetry contest* were happening. The winners of the colouring contest are *Patrick Fetchko, Luann McCallum and Jamey Entzminger*.

The SADD members worked very hard to put this week on and deserve some recognition for making our community safer.

We really appreciate the incredible support from the Frances Kelsey Student Council, *Colleen Cronk*, and Paul McNicols from ICBC, Patti Atkinson, Auto Plan Brokers and Michael Buckingham.

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**PARENTS: Please complete the very important parent survey on the last page of this issue of the Whale's Tale. Your completed survey can then be taken off and sent into the school office. Thank you!**



### Kelsey Calendar

**Monday, June 2, 2003**  
Monthly Report Card & Newsletter

**Wednesday, June 4, 2003**  
8:30 a.m. Athletic Awards assembly

**Thursday, June 5, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. Band Concert in the Dome

**Tuesday, June 10, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. Dance performance

**Thursday, June 12, 2003**  
7:00 p.m. Grade 12 Drama night

**Friday, June 13, 2003**  
Last day of mandatory classes

**Tuesday, June 17, 2003**  
Last day to hand in work for final report

**Wednesday, June 18, 2003**  
*Government Exams:*  
English Lit: 9:00 - 11:30  
Chemistry 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Thursday, June 19, 2003**  
English 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
Japanese 12, Spanish 12,  
German 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Friday, June 20, 2003**  
Comm. 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
Principles of Math 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Monday, June 23, 2003**  
Mandarin Chinese: 9:00 - 11:30  
History 12: 1:00 - 3:30

**Tuesday, June 24, 2003**  
Physics 12: 9:00 - 11:30  
French 12: 1:00 - 3:30  
7:00 p.m. Awards evening in the Gym

**Wednesday, June 25, 2003**  
Geography 12: 9:00 - 11:30

**Thursday, June 26, 2003**  
8:00 a.m. Final Report Cards (Buses return at 8:45 a.m.)  
Biology 12: 9:00 - 11:30

**Friday, June 27, 2003**  
6:30 p.m. Walk-Up Ceremony



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Thank you to our local businesses for their support and donations: Foghorn, Pioneer Video, 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition, Country Grocer, Jada Stylists, Home Hardware, Café Des Artistes, Valleyview Vitamins

& Herbs, A&W, ICBC, Jim at the Body Barn and Thrifty Foods.

*Francene Benoit, SADD Coordinator and Mrs. Rose, SADD sponsor*



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# Catalyst Program

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**by Phil Archer, Teacher**

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As the end of the year draws nigh and the last-minute scurry of activity can be seen about the school... we can also reflect on our successes since September.

## **Destination Imagination - Place 5<sup>th</sup> in the World!!**

Congratulations to the Destination Imagination team (*Amanda Archer - grade 11, Henry Baxter - grade 11, Anna Brounstein - grade 11, Jon Friesen - grade 10, Matt Macalister - grade 12, Erin Stacey - grade 12, and Nicole Strumpfer - grade 11*) who have recently returned from participating in the Global Finals Competition at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. This culminates a year of hard teamwork, cooperation and creative problem-solving. Having achieved gold medals in both the regional and provincial competitions, they felt they were ready to take on the world. And ready they were. Our FKSS DI team placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the World. IN THE WORLD!! This team definitely put the Cowichan Valley on the map! I am extremely proud of this group of seven students who have shown what can be accomplished by "thinking outside the box." Thank you, also, to Mr. Michael Baxter who was their parent coach / team manager. His unrelenting devotion to this group has enabled them to succeed.



*Nicole Strumpfer  
and  
Amanda Archer  
with "the grid."*

## **Duke of Edinburgh Award**

Another success has been with the continued participation of students working on the Duke of Edinburgh's Award - Young Canadian's Challenge. There are currently 34 students enrolled through the school... many of whom completed their bronze level awards this year. We even had one student, Amanda Saunders - grade 9, who completed her silver level award and was able to attend the ceremonies at Government House in Victoria and receive her award from Her Honour, the Honourable Lieutenant Governor Iona Campagnolo. Once again, by working on various skills, physical recreation activities, service activities, explorations and expeditions these students participated in practical, cultural and adventurous activities of their own choosing and through these endeavours were able to build qualities of self-discipline, self-help and self-reliance.

## **Debating Teams**

The three Debating Teams from Frances Kelsey (Tannis McDonnell and Sara Kubica, Lara Harker and Heather Russell - all grade ten as well as Katrina Dezubiria and Kelly McLeod - both grade nine students) participated in school district mini-tournaments this year ... and won

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all their matches as well as individual speaker awards. The girls did extremely well. Unfortunately, they were not able to participate in the District Debate at the end of the year. This group of students was also fortunate to be able to visit with MLA Graham Kerr at the parliament buildings in Victoria and be introduced to the members during question period. They were able to experience first hand some "parliamentary debate" which is certainly different from what they train for as debaters in school competitions. I am hoping that some interest will arise from this experience and encourage students to participate in the Youth Parliament next year. Congratulations, girls, for all the hard efforts.

### Other Programs and Opportunities

There are many other students at FKSS who are taking advantage of many of the "programs" and "opportunities" of the Catalyst program at the school. Some of these include Independent Directed Studies, Equivalent Course Work, field trips, work experience credit, and so on. Congratulations to all these students for living up to being self-directed learners, and taking control of their education and their future. For more information on the Catalyst Program at the school, please feel free to contact Phil Archer at 743-6916.

# FKSS Dry Grad - Friday, June 27, 2003

**by Frank Minchin, Parent**

It's all over but the party....sort of. A Dry Grad party needs volunteers. Light work, lots of fun, and no pay !

Any parents who can put in a shift between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., please call Jane Chabot @ 743-7268. Now is a really good time to call. Workers are needed to help with the food tables, decorating, games, security and clean-up.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THIS YEAR'S DRY GRAD ???

**Sumo Wrestling and Gladiators**....a bloodless, but fun way to earn Kash!.....beat up your friends!  
**Lots of food!**....pizzas.....veggie trays.....popcorn  
**Tarot Card Reading and Clairvoyant**....read the cards and see into the future.....too bad exams will already be over....more Kash!  
**Mocktails** from great bartenders!.....plus pop.....milk.....Mill Bay water !?!  
**Mini-Golf**....Woods, Weir and Sorenstam might have started here.....look at the Kash they win!  
**Karaoke and dance music**....all night

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food!.....chips....cake....cookies  
**Juggler**.....like all students at exam  
time.....come and take a lesson !  
**Hypnotist show & Casino**.....come and  
win Kelsey Bucks. Enter draws for really  
great prizes!!!

Music .... food .... games .... drinks .... prizes  
.... entertainers .... come and have a great time  
and make sure your friends come too!

Tickets and sign-up rules will be available in  
early June through the counselling office.  
Watch for a bulletin in the *NewsBreaker*.

**Dry Grad Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**June 10th**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**in the**  
**Kelsey Library**

# Bursaries and Scholarships



by Jo Keeping, Vice Principal

It is an exciting and busy time of the year, especially for our Grade 12 students. Each week now we are receiving news of scholarships and awards that a grade 12 has received. This is showing that all of their hard work and effort are finally paying off. Although most of the scholarships and bursaries will be announced on the evening of the walk-up on June 27<sup>th</sup>, the awards listed below have already been made public knowledge.

## University of Alberta

Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi up to \$13,500  
Erin Stacey up to \$13,500  
Laura Chabot up to \$10,500  
Shannon Craig up to \$10,000  
Ariel Sawatzky up to \$10,000  
Dianna Stenberg up to \$4,000  
Michelle Alexander up to \$4,000  
Jennifer Hofmeister up to \$4,000

## University of BC

Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi up to \$11,500  
Ashley Foot - Full music scholarship  
Erin Stacey up to \$11,000  
Anne Lee \$2,500

## Malaspina College

Katelyn Johnston \$1,500

## York University

Michelle Alexander \$4,000

## Simon Fraser University

Sheena Ridley \$4,000

## Millenium Scholarship

Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi \$4,000

## Toronto Dominion Scholarship

Heather Turnquist \$500.00

## Provincial Examination Scholarship

Anita Dicastri \$1,000  
Dana Lambert \$1,000  
Matt Macalister \$1,000  
Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi \$1,000  
Erica Scheurkogel \$1,000  
Erin Stacey \$1,000  
Krysta Westlund \$1,000

## University of Calgary

Erin Stacey \$500.00  
Dianna Stenberg \$500

## Bowdoin College

Krista Larsen \$37,000 U.S.

## University of Toronto

Ashley Foot - Full music scholarship

## University of Victoria

Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi \$20,000  
Stephanie Whittaker \$2,000  
Anne Lee \$3,000  
Nick Dicastri \$2,500  
Anita Dicastri \$2,000  
Ariel Sawatzky \$2,000

## University of McGill

Kaivon Pakzad-Vaezi \$20,000

## ReMax Quest for Excellence

Jennifer Hofmeister \$500

## Loomis

Sheena Hiles \$2,000

**Grade 11's:** It is now time for you to start thinking of your Grade 12 courses, colleges and universities to apply to and possible bursaries and scholarships. Check out the websites listed below. **Advance scholarships to the University of Alberta and the University of Calgary are now available for Grade 11 students.** See Mrs. Keeping for details. Deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>. You must have completed five academic grade 11 courses with 80% or better.

Web Sites: Canadian Universities and Colleges: [www.schoolfinder.com](http://www.schoolfinder.com)  
Online applications in B.C.: [www.pas.bc.ca](http://www.pas.bc.ca)  
BC Colleges/Universities scholarships: [www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)  
[www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)

Although the deadline for most scholarships has passed, there are still a few with late deadlines and some you can apply for after graduation. The following is a list of scholarships/awards that are coming up in the next few months. Please note the deadlines for each one. To apply for the union affiliated ones your parents or grandparents must be members of the union. The focus or requirements of the others are listed in the brackets. New scholarships are still coming to the school, so grade 12's should be checking the Newsbreaker daily.

BC Ferry & Marine Worker's Union Scholarships	June 15, 2003
Chiefs' Health Careers Initiatives (First Nations)	June 15, 2003
Telus Employee Dependents Scholarships	June 15, 2003
Pitman College Scholarship	June 27, 2003
*Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC	June 30, 2003
*UBC Administered Awards (Affiliation Scholarships etc.)	June 30, 2003
Monsanto Canada Inc. (Students with farm & agricultural/forestry)	July 1, 2003
Icelandic Canadian Club of BC Scholarships	Aug. 15, 2003
Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarships	Aug. 31, 2003
*BC Principals & Vice Principals Association Scholarships	Sept. 14, 2003
*Mahatma Gandhi Student Awards (Literary entries)	Sept. 15, 2003
Registered Nurses Foundation of BC	Sept. 30, 2003
Camosun College Fall Bursaries	Oct. 1, 2003
*Fraser MacPherson Music Scholarship	Nov. 1, 2003

\*Mrs. Keeping has these forms  
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# Renew What?

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## **Björn Ratjen, President FKPAC**

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Just when we thought we were on the right track in ending this school year and putting things in place for the next we are hit with something we are still struggling to understand.

On Thursday May 22, 2003 Allan MacLeod (principal) and Jo Keeping (vice principal) were called to a meeting in which they were told that they were going to be placed in other schools in the district (George Bonner and Cowichan Secondary). We were shocked when we received the news. There was no consultation in this process and it was conducted against the expressed wishes of those involved. We had the opportunity to talk to Brian Hoole (superintendent) and school trustees (Pam Campbell, Janice Macalister, Joanne Gallavan) at a District Parent Advisory Meeting (DPAC) the same day. We were told that the district administration had the power to do so, that it was in the context of more changes, that the district did not have time and resources for extensive consultation in this matter, that the goal was renewal, fresh perspective and putting students first.

Several parents who attended this meeting expressed concerns about the lack of consultation and about putting the educational system at Kelsey in jeopardy. They asked why these changes were made when results and recent processes of internal review under the current leadership were working well. Parents asked what the "renewal" is about when student achievement at Frances Kelsey School is already quite high. Parents asked if the current policy about partnership with parents and consultation is still valid. Parents expressed concern and were appalled at the treatment of staff involved and Allan MacLeod in particular. With a limited time on his contract he is asked to take a step back from his achievements. Allan MacLeod, Jo Keeping and as a matter of fact all other staff involved deserve a better and more respectful treatment.

Renewal is already happening at Frances Kelsey School and why change the majority of the top management during a process which is working

well? Many non-specific answers were given by representatives from the senior administration and the assurance that the educational system of our school would still be supported. What is the real agenda then?

We are appalled by the disrespect shown towards parents, staff and students in this matter. The School Planning Council (SPC) was put in place to set the agenda for the school. Not a single effort of consultation was made in this matter. What is the message? Like one parent put it: maybe we should just go back to selling chocolates, because we do not seem to be taken seriously.

*You will undoubtedly hear more about this over the next little while. We urge you to come out and share your feelings, opinions and get the facts. Your Parent Advisory Council will certainly keep you informed. Call or get on our email list. Another good way to stay involved is to come to our next meeting:*

**Wednesday  
June 18, 2003  
7 p.m.  
at the school library**

**P.S. We will post our SPC  
proposal on the Kelsey  
website for your information  
and invite comments.**

**Björn Ratjen  
President FKPAC  
phone 743-7575  
email: Bjorn@Iglide.net**



# Clubs and Activities

## RED CROSS CLUB

Tuesdays: 11:15, Room 122  
Sponsors: Ms. Ciofani & Mrs. Petersen

## MOST KIDS DON'T

(Tobacco Prevention)  
Blocks A & H, Afternoons  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose, Liz Gehl (Public Health Nurse)

## S.A.D.D.

STUDENTS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING  
Thursdays: 11:15, Room 120  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose

## S.A.V.E.

STUDENTS AGAINST VIOLENCE EVERYWHERE  
Mondays: 2:15 - 3:30, Room 118  
Sponsor: Mrs. Rose

## MISSION POSSIBLE

Listen for announcement  
Sponsors: Ryan Drake, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Munday

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Thursdays: 11:15, Room 208  
Sponsor: Mr. Rowan

## BOOK CLUB

Mondays: 11:25, Room 212  
Sponsor: Ms. L. Patterson

## LITERARY MAGAZINE

Fridays: 11:20, Room 208  
Sponsor: Mrs. Hyde

## THE KELSEY ORCA NEWSPAPER

Sponsors: Mr. Hall & Mrs. Foster

## DESTINATION IMAGINATION

Weekly: Room 158  
Sponsor: Mr. Archer

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

Weekly: Room 158  
Sponsor: Mr. Archer

## KELSEY WEB GROUP

Tuesdays: 2:15 - 3:45, Room 223  
Sponsor: Mr. Parker

## DANCE AT LUNCH

Dance room is open every lunch hour for breakdancing, hip hop, & CMF rehearsals.  
Sponsor: Mrs. MacLeod

## MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

Tuesdays: 3:00 Cobble Hill  
Fridays: Make prior transportation arrangements with teacher  
Sponsor: Mrs. Buhler-Morgen  
\*Parental permission forms required before participation



*Bench Elementary School* would like to extend their thanks and compliments to all the students from Kelsey who helped out at their recent Fun Fair. The students were all exceptional, and Bench literally could not have done it without their help. From the Haunted House to concession stands to standing out in the rain to run games, they all had upbeat attitudes and did awesome jobs. Each and every one of them was vital to the success of the fair.

Again, thank you to those wonderful students for helping: *Jenny Dutemple, Laura Bowen, Sheila Smith, Melony Kryschuk, Christie Morgan, Rachel Leblanc, Sarah Jones, Alyse Waugh, Lorna Houle, Natasha Louie, Meghan Bennett, Danielle Bird and Josh Campbell.*

# Personal Narrative

by Robert Newcomb, Student

We leave from a friend's house late one evening, down a dark but familiar road. It is a peaceful and quiet late night. The cricket's song has stopped long ago, and the birds and animals seem to have found a comfy resting place, for the rustles in the bushes have stopped. My friends and I all have a midnight curfew. It was eleven fifty-five.

We have lost track of time and make haste for home. Strangely, no one put on his or her seatbelt this time. We were travelling 30k over the speed limit...we were going 90k down this road. The music was pounding; the neon lights were on. We were all having a good time. The next few seconds passed in the blink of an eye, yet at the same time seemed to last forever.

Suddenly, the car started to slide. I almost didn't notice at first, it didn't seem possible. The hairs on my arms shot straight up. As we rounded the corner, something snapped. I think I saw a tire fly by us. The car jerks the other way instantaneously, almost ripping my spine in half. We are heading right for the ditch! I can't stop us...this can't be real.

As we rounded the corner, something snapped. I think I saw a tire fly by us. The car jerks the other way instantaneously, almost ripping my spine in half. We are heading right for the ditch! I can't stop us...this can't be real.

We hit!

We hit! My airbag opens.

Darkness is where I find myself next. I feel almost like I'm caught in a strange dimension, between different worlds. So many thoughts running through my head, and none at the same time. Time seems to have slowed down, almost to a dead stop. I feel like I'm dead.

I wake up on a stretcher...paramedics all around me. I look around, only to find myself down a bank, in a ditch. Blood is everywhere. I can't stop asking if the others are okay. I can't stop wondering.

The lights from the ambulance almost put me into a daze. The way it hit the trees and reflected into my eye makes my head spin. I feel no pain.

All I can feel is the coldness from the pendant on my chain. All I can taste is the blood trickling down my face and into the slits of my lips. All I can hear is my friend screaming from the sight of her own blood. So much commotion and confusion. I can faintly hear the paramedics asking me questions, and I reply with answers consciously, but I feel like I'm in two different worlds.

The next few hours are the worst, sitting in bed, wondering if everyone is all right. I don't know the condition my friends are in, and can't move to find out.

The nurses begin to scrub the gravel out of my back with a scrubber, with no painkillers or freezing. I could have cried, but I didn't. I didn't yell, scream, cry or curse, because this is a hospital, and I don't want to

disturb any of the older patients around me. The brutality of this procedure is impossible to explain. The only words I can find to describe this excruciating pain is like someone shaving my skin with a big, thick piece of glass.

Now I feel the pain.

The night seems to last forever. I can't sleep because I have gashes everywhere, and there is no position that doesn't hurt. The

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hospital gives me warm blankets to try and help, and it does for a few minutes. But then the blankets get cold again.

I keep trying to wake myself up from this horrible nightmare. I can't fathom the realization of the moment, and the events that had occurred a few hours ago. I keep trying to wake up.

I find out eventually how I ended up in the ditch. My best friend

Zak was in the back of the car during the accident. He says that the doors blew open on impact, and I was thrown from the vehicle. After the police do their accident report, they determine the distance that I travelled.

I was thrown 30 feet down the road. They found me on the opposite side, bleeding all over.

I am lucky to be alive.

Because of this experience, I learned many important lessons

and values. Not only has the accident drastically changed the way I think, but it also made me realize not to take things for granted. I am going to share with you an unseen truth. Almost all teenagers believe that they are invincible, and nothing will ever happen to them. I am proof that this statement is not true, because it happened to me.

None of us are invincible!

## MUNCHIES

How about shopping at Munchies for some great gifts for your kids.

**Blue or white hoodies** with Kelsey  
Kelsey Athletics or  
Kelsey Music  
\$40.00

**Sweatpants** with  
Kelsey on the butt  
\$33.00

**Crewnecks**  
\$33.00

*Get your order in now!  
Don't be disappointed!*

## The Pressure to be Thin

by Olivia Stephens

In today's society the pressure to be thin and pretty is a "big" problem, no pun intended. Today's teens truly believe that to be pretty and "popular" they have to be thin. The media are the stepping stones of our minds. All of our favourite music idols are thin and good looking. If a music idol is not thin like "Missy Eliot" then she is considered and called fat and I don't mean "Phat".

Teens believe this because it's all around us and it is creating serious problems. I have seen girls in our school go from average to obscenely thin.

Anorexia and bulimia, are serious conditions. Thirty-two percent of girls are faced with these conditions, because they allow themselves to think thin equals cool. People can die from anorexia and bulimia.

I think we need to be more aware of these conditions. If you know or suspect someone close to you is anorexic or bulimic, then please tell someone who can help. For more information on the warning signs of anorexia and bulimia, please visit [www.bulimia.com](http://www.bulimia.com)

## Dance is Alive and Well and Living at Kelsey

by Judy MacLeod, Teacher

80+ dancers are polishing their own choreography to dazzle parents and friends on Tuesday, June 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Kelsey Theatre. From ballet to hip hop, and salsa to jazz, we have an action-packed evening for you. Admission by donation.  
*The Finale will knock your socks off!*

# Career Centre Corner - June 2003

## CAPP Credit Activities:

**Dress for Success Job Interview Day** on May 21<sup>st</sup> went well for both students and Employers. We would like to extend our appreciation to the following businesses for coming out to this event to do practice interviews:

Ron Moore, *Country Grocer*

Pam Richmond, *Big Brothers and Sisters*

Mike Murphy, *Thrifty Foods - Mill Bay*

Laila Pera & Dave Wallace, *Arbutus Ridge Golf & Country Club*

Tony Harding, *McDonald's Restaurants*

Gene Krop, *The Pine Factory*

Carmaine Mulholland and Pat Knight, *Subway*

Ron Austen, *Cowichan Community Centre*

Tania Walter, *Kerry Park Recreation Centre*

Melanie Ehrman and Michelle Staples, *Cowichan Youth Services*

Sharon Moss, *Cowichan Valley Regional District*

A. Webster, P. Knight, L. deLeeuw, *U-Select Financial Services*

Wayne Ulrich, *Cherry Point Vineyards*

Doyle Childs, *Cunningham Rivard Appraisals*

Ian Jones, *Hilex Computers*

Sarah Mathison

Ellie Ruge, *Shawnigan Shores Bed & Breakfast*

John Butler, *Pharmasave*

Trina Schneider, *Catrina's Grill*

Sheila Warneken, *Mill Bay Fabrics*

Jim Carey, *Mason's Store*

Geoff French, *Shaw Cable*

Jeff MacLeod, *Canada Safeway*

Carol Toal, *Camp Narnia*

Lura McCallum, *Duncan Squash & Fitness*

## Spotlight Presentations:

May 5<sup>th</sup> Thank you to Mr. Mike Murphy and Marilyn Fuller for giving students information on **grocery related careers**.

May 28<sup>th</sup> Our last spotlight presentation for the year was by Marshall and Sheree Hunt on **paramedic careers**. A big thank you goes out to them.

## Work Experience Opportunities:

- **GAP:** Congratulations to *Nicole Greenhalgh, Jessica Mattin, and Devon Warawa* who have just heard about their placements in England next year.
- **Summer Work/Student Exchange to Quebec** is a 6-week program for 16 - 17 year-old-students with some knowledge of French. Congratulations to *Lora Croft* who has been one of 5 students chosen to attend from our area in BC.
- **Summer work:** students need to keep in contact with Cowichan Youth Services: [www.cowichanyouth.com](http://www.cowichanyouth.com), the job board is updated regularly
- Students doing work experience over the summer that will apply to their **Career Preparation Programs** must contact Mrs. Munday to have the placement approved and pick up the necessary papers to get credit.

## What's in the Career Resources?

- **UVIC Next Step Forum** will take place on Tuesday June 3. This is beneficial to both parents and students who will be attending UVic next year. Time: 2:30 to 7:30.
- **New FYI booklets for UBC:** first year students can pick up this resource in the career Centre
- **UNBC orientation** for New students Aug 24-29: [www.unbc.ca](http://www.unbc.ca)
- **ArcInfo GIS training** at Okanagan University College; 20 week certificate program
- **Transfer information** for BC: [www.bccat.bc.ca](http://www.bccat.bc.ca) is extremely helpful for post secondary planning
- **Careers in Forestry:** Look into UBC, Malaspina, BCIT for many opportunities in this area
- **American Sign Language:** can be used as a second language requirement for university entrance
- **Money Management:** students expecting to go to post secondary schools can plan now ....  
[www.debtfreegrad.com](http://www.debtfreegrad.com), [www.creditcounselling.com/yourmoney/tentips.html](http://www.creditcounselling.com/yourmoney/tentips.html), [www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)

## Career Program Placements:

➤ **Recent placements have been made for students in the following areas:**

- Dominion Astrophysical Observatory day tour
- Thrifty Foods orientation
- S.A.L.T.S. week-long sailing trip
- "Dress for Success Interview Day" volunteers
- Bench Fun Fair volunteers
- "Children and Apple Pie" volunteers

# Thank You's

*Staff and students were asked if there was anyone they would like to thank and why. Here are their thank you's:*



To Mrs. Jones & Mrs. Liebert from the Student Services Dept. for working so hard in helping our department function!

To Advisor Group #5 from Ms. Kirchner for being such an excellent group!

To the Counselling Staff in Room 104 (Mrs. Slater, Mrs. Munday, Ms. Kirchner, Mrs. Liebert & Mrs. Jones) from the Princess for making me laugh and supporting me everyday.

To the Yearbook Students from Mrs. Brinkman for all your hard work in producing this year's book.

To Ryan Drake from the Senior Girls Soccer team for donating your time to give us the opportunity to have a Senior Girls Soccer Team.

To This year's Kelsey Junior Girl's Basketball team from Mr. Gergel for a great basketball season this year. A special thanks to co-captains Marieke Voorhoeve, Kelsey Diab and Brianna Wiens for all of their efforts.

To Mr. Gergel from Heather Turnquist for everything.

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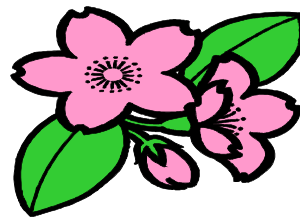
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## **Library Resource Centre**

Bookmark the Library home page. It has a large number of links with curricular connections. It can be accessed from the school homepage:  
<http://www.fkss.ca>

# June Fundraisers

Our senior sports teams find it very expensive to travel to the various venues they must play at during the year. Despite fundraising efforts they often end up in the hole at the end of the season. To help them clear up these shortages we are offering the following fundraisers.

## Take & Bake Pizzas

*Last chance to stock your freezer for the hot and busy days ahead! For those days when everyone in your household is going a different direction and supper just doesn't fit in the schedule, put some pizzas in your freezer for a quick meal.*

Hot Spot Pizza will supply individually wrapped and boxed large pizzas (\$9.00 each) that you may **take and bake at your convenience**. They can be frozen for up to a month. Baking instructions come with every pizza. The pizzas will be delivered to the school for **pick up on Thursday, June 12th, from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm**. Please note students cannot bring the pizzas home on the school bus. They must be picked up here at the school that day. Please complete the order slip below and return to the main office at school with payment attached by **June 6th**. Thank you for your support.

**Liquid Chlorophyll:** Reminder to check your bottle of chlorophyll and make sure you have enough on hand to last till September. Orders accepted until the end of June.

*Also, the Summer Regal catalogues are available. Please come in and take a look or we can arrange for your student to borrow one overnight. Regal purchases will be made through the school. If you wish to place an order, please give the item number and the page it is on and include GST (7%) & PST (7.5%).*

*The staff and students at Frances Kelsey wish to thank you for your generous support of the fundraisers we have offered through the Whale's Tale this year. Have a safe and pleasant summer. Thank you!*



## Take and Bake Pizza/Chlorophyll Order Form - by June 6<sup>th</sup>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print)

- |    |                |   |            |       |
|----|----------------|---|------------|-------|
| 1. | Quantity _____ | Ham and Pineapple                                     | @ \$9.00 = | _____ |
| 2. | _____          | Cheese and Pepperoni                                  | @ \$9.00 = | _____ |
| 3. | _____          | Vegetarian (Mushroom, Onion<br>Tomato & Green Pepper) | @ \$9.00 = | _____ |
| 4. | _____          | Tomato & Feta Cheese                                  | @ \$9.00 = | _____ |

### Chlorophyll

- |    |       |               |                |       |
|----|-------|---------------|----------------|-------|
| 1. | _____ | 473 ml bottle | @ \$18.00 =    | _____ |
| 2. | _____ | 946 ml bottle | @ \$27.00 =    | _____ |
|    |       |               | <b>Total</b> = | _____ |

**Parent Survey – Internal Review Committee**

Kelsey’s *Internal Review Committee* has been looking at ways in which the educational program at the school could be strengthened and improved. As part of this process, we are asking that parents consider the following questions and return their responses to the school with their students.

Note that we have included a series of prompts (not an exhaustive list) on the right for you to consider as you respond to the questions.

1. What is it about the “Kelsey system” that helps your student(s) be successful?

2. What do you see as roadblocks that hinder your student(s) progress? (You may state specific topics – learning guides, activities, etc)

3. What could teachers/advisors do to help your student(s) increase their success?

4. What could teachers/advisors do to help your student(s) finish more courses “on time”?

5. Attendance and lateness continue to be a concern at Kelsey. How could parents help to improve this?

- mandatory classes
- flex classes
- attendance
- PE sign-up and participation
- # of guides being worked on at one time
- # of courses being worked on
- test issues
- choice of work places
- contact (talking) with teachers

**Thank you for your assistance. Please have your student return this to his/her advisor.**