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Principal's Message

Dear Falcon Families,

As the vibrant colors of fall begin to fade and we welcome the crisp air of November, I find myself reflecting on the many things we have to be grateful for in our school community. This time of year, reminds us of the importance of connection, kindness, and gratitude—values we strive to instill in our students every day.

October was filled with exciting learning, community events, and joyful moments. From winning our division in the district soccer tournament, to fire safety week, to family conferences, to the everyday successes in our classrooms, it's been inspiring to see our students grow and thrive.

Looking ahead, November brings opportunities to come together as a community and in remembrance. We're excited for our Remembrance Day assembly, the Legion's Remembrance Day contest, a Reader's Theatre, volleyball season, and curling for our intermediates.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we make our school a place where every child feels seen, valued, and empowered to succeed.

We would especially like to thank Paige from the RDOS WildSafe BC team for her presentations for our primary students, Chantal from Keledan Acres for bringing her potbelly pigs for a visit, the Okanagan Falls Fire Department for their Fire Safety week fun, Bullies for bringing us pizza, the OK Fruit Project for supplying us with pears and apples, Mrs. Souch and Mrs. Raines for coaching run club and the cross country meet, Mrs. Petry and Coach Frank for coaching soccer and helping to bring our team home as the winners in our division, our One to One Readers, Ms. Nancy with the RDOS and our PAC for their pumpkin hunt and movie night, all of the families that participated in family conferences, and Mrs. Eddison and Division 5 for their fun haunted house! We truly are the luckiest school in the district to have such wonderful community partners and families!

In gratitude, Mrs. Poole



OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Friday
8:00–3:00

ABSENT OR LATE?

Phone 250-497-5414 and leave a voicemail message before 8:45am, or email okf@sd53.bc.ca so it can be recorded as an explained absence.

Dates to Remember

November 2025

3 Photo Retake day AM & Curling Div 4 & 5

6 Grade 6 Immunizations & Curling Div 4 & 5

**6 PAC Meeting
6pm**

**10 Remembrance
day assembly
1030am**



Let We Forget

11 Remembrance day NO School

13 Curling Div 4 & 5

14 Meat draw at the Legion for PAC

22 OKFE Christmas Market!

26 Early dismissal 12pm

28 Reader's Theatre in Kaleden Memory Café Div 5



Mountain West Studios

Due to the Canada Post strike. All orders for photos will come directly to the school and you will be notified to pick up.

How to order information.

Please visit this link to access the gallery: <https://vando.imagequix.com/K9L3W9Z>

- The login code to access your images is on the yellow QR flyer your child was given on photo day. Please check with them.
- Any active email address can be used to login.
- **Your order deadline is: November 4 2025**

All orders will be shipped to the school. *If you miss the deadline, your order will be shipped with your school's Catch Up Photo Day orders at no extra cost, however this will take 3-5 weeks.*



Come Visit our StrongStart Program

Our DROP-IN StrongStart
Program
welcomes children ages 0-5
years
with their parent caregiver.

**Monday, Wednesday &
Friday**

8:30-11:30



Please follow the link for
Registration and all program
information. Grades 2 to 7

[Nothin' but Net Basketball, Oliver,
BC - NBN Basketball](#)



Hungry
Falcons Concession

Student run concession is up and running.

Students may purchase from an assortment of
snack options at recess daily.

Everything for a \$1

All proceeds will go towards running the
concession and to our school activities.



🍁 PAC November Update 🍁

A huge thank-you to everyone who joined us for Family Movie Night on October 24th! It was wonderful to see so many families, and we're so grateful to the volunteers who made it happen.

Our next PAC meeting is on Thursday, November 6th at 6:00pm in the school library—childminding is provided, so please come share your ideas and help shape upcoming events.

We'd love to hear from parents about what activities you'd like to see PAC sponsor for the school—your input helps guide how we support students and staff throughout the year!

Mark your calendars for the Winter/Christmas Market on Saturday, November 22nd, 9:00am–3:00pm! Come enjoy local vendors, raffle baskets, 50/50 tickets, and sweet treats from KJ Coffee Bar.

Follow us on Facebook for updates, and for any questions, comments, or concerns, email okfpac@gmail.com.

PAC executive team 2025/26

Kari Hill **President**

Vanessa Morigeau **Treasurer**

Melissa Mundy **Secretary**

Chelsea Fairweather and

Cam Hutchinson

Members at large



Free Concussion Resources for Schools, Students, and Parents

Free Concussion Resources for Schools, Students, and Parents: Now that school is back in session, it is a great time to learn how to properly recognize a potential concussion in the classroom, manage symptoms, and help a student return to school. Free, evidence-based eLearning courses, and online and downloadable resources are available for schoolteachers and administrators, parents, coaches, and youth athletes through the [Concussion Awareness Training Tool](#)



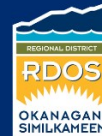
For community activities check out!

By Area | RDOS



Okanagan Falls

Fall 2025 Children's programs



After School Play Program

(Children)

Unleash the fun after the final bell! A fun, active and creative space for kids to unwind, make friends, and play after school.

Instructor: Coach E

Thursdays, 2:45 - 3:30 pm

November 6 - December 11

Fee: \$35 per session



Crafty Critters

(Children)

Children will enjoy weekly projects that build fine motor skills and artistic expression in a playful setting.

Instructor: Miss E

Tuesdays, 2:45 - 3:45 pm

November 18 - December 9

Fee: \$30 per session



Early Dismissal

(Children)

Calling all kids! Come play, create and explore with Ernestina in an afternoon packed with games, crafts, and giggles.

The perfect mix of fun and imagination.

Instructor: Coach E

Wednesdays, 12:00 - 3:00 pm

November 26

Fee: \$20 per date

**Minimum of 6
registrants required
to run**



Location for these programs is the Okanagan Falls Recreation Centre

Registration Required for these programs.

Visit rdos.perfectmind.com for follow the QR code to register





Monster Card Drive!



A whole bunch of friendly, lost monsters have taken refuge at the Okanagan Falls Library.

They're looking for a new home... and a good book!

Become a Monster Reader!

From November 1st - 30th, you can ADOPT one of these cute creatures.

**All you have to do is sign up for a new library card
or
renew your existing one. For every card, a monster finds a loving home!**

It's a win-win-win:

**You get a COOL library card and a new monstrous pal.
(And some others goodies too!)**

The Monster gets a safe home and a lifetime of stories.

Visit us to adopt yours today!

Okanagan Falls Library

850 Railway Lane, Okanagan Falls BC

250-497-5886

Yeah! I got a
library
card today

I can't wait to
tell
all my friends





*Memory Cafes welcome people with cognitive decline and dementia, their families,
their caregivers and community members who care.*

FRI NOV 28 2025
11:00AM - 2:00PM

KALEDEN COMMUNITY HALL
320 Lakehill Road

KALEDEN

For more info call

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DB Foundation for Health Research
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This is a participatory action research project
in collaboration with UBCO's rural health equity.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Marion Best speaks of her husband's diagnosis of dementia and shares deeply with a family systems perspective. Marion's background is nursing, program management at Naramata Center, Moderator of the United Church of Canada and she shares her lessons learned and her wisdom gained throughout the dementia journey.

ACTIVITIES:

MUSIC WITH GILLIAN RUSSELL. Gillian Russell has performed all her life. She was part of a Penticton-based band named Shine from 1977-1981. They played numerous times at the Peach Bowl and across the Okanagan and Similkameen Valleys. She now shares the magic of her music at weddings and at seniors' homes.

ENTERTAINMENT "GRANDPA'S GOT ALZHEIMERS"
A Readers Theatre Play with students from OK Falls Elementary School.

LUNCH catered by Kyle at Belich's AG Foods,
OK Falls.

FUN & MOVEMENT with Rec Specialist
Angela Carlow



Why fireweed? ...with its ability to thrive in disturbed areas, long blooming season, and wind dispersed seeds, fireweed is a stunning symbol of rejuvenation and new growth after destructive events. Its beauty and resilience are truly remarkable



The Collective is a multi-age group who meets monthly to engage in nature based, social activities. The purpose of 'being around others who just get it'.

If your child has experienced the death of a parent, caregiver, or sibling, please reach out to your school's Administrator if you would like further information or to register your child/teen for the group.

Sincerely, The District Counselling Team, ICY & Healthy Schools

Happy Halloween

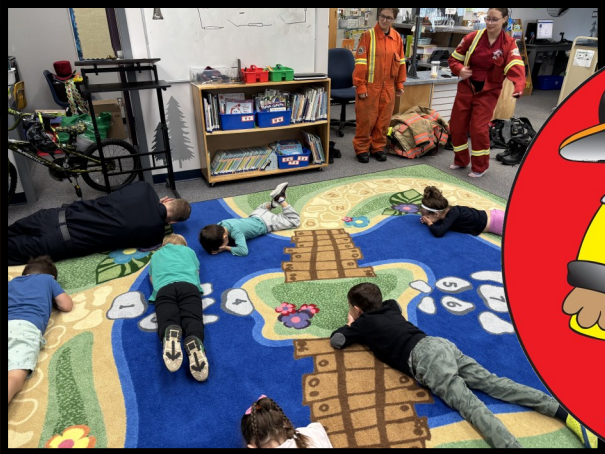






Cross Country







thank you



Thank you to our **Local Okanagan Falls Fire department** for the fire Safety presentations, fire truck ride and bike prize!!! Such important learning for our students and always lots of fun!

Thank you to our HOT LUNCH providers for an awesome beginning to the year!! **Bullies pizza, Subway Oliver, TacoRiendo, KJs Coffee bar, H & L Dumpling house, A&W and Murrays pizza!!**

Thank you **Mrs. Kitt** for training the Student Outside Supervisors. We will now have extra helpers outside to navigate problem solving with students when needed.

Thank you **Bullies pizza** for delivering pizzas for the Terry Fox winning class and our student outside supervisors in training.

Thank you to **OSCA ECO studies Program** for allowing our school to come see the bird watching and salmon programs.

Thank you - **PAC** and **RDOS Ms. Nancy** for Halloween fun!

Thank you **OK Fruit Tree Project and the Apple Bin** for pears, apples and pumpkins.