

École Dorothea Walker Elementary



Happy February!

February kicks off the process of preparing for next school year. It started today with the opening of the registration period for new students to any school in the district for 2025-2026 (this includes new students to the district or students who wish to register in a different school than their current school or the one they are scheduled to transition to).



☀ **Togetherness**

February is a month of inclusion: National Inclusive Education Month, Human Rights Month, and Pink Shirt Day. By touching on all these themes and on the theme of friendship around Valentine's Day, we strive to make DWE a wonderful place to learn, play, and grow where we appreciate that the diversity represented in our community is a gift and a strength.

☀ **Personal devices at school such as phones and smartwatches**

There has been a need to remind students about the expectations around personal devices more frequently since we have returned from Winter Break. Please note that as per district and provincial policy on personal devices, personal use of electronic communications systems in school must neither interfere with, nor distract from, the learning and the learning of others. Therefore, students may not send or receive text messages or phone calls while at school. Their phones must be turned off and kept in their backpacks the entire time they are at school. Smartwatches may only be used to tell time while at school. If this expectation is not followed, the watches will have to be kept in backpacks as well. We understand that emergencies come up and plans sometimes change. If it becomes necessary to get information to you child, please call the office. Whenever possible please make arrangements and communicate plans with your child before they come to school. This allows the office to better support learning and minimizes classroom interruptions.

☀ **Sports and activities**

The school continues to buzz with activities. Many students in Grade 4, 5 and 6 are playing basketball at lunch and/or after school, while a number of avid readers are meeting regularly to prepare for Battle of the Books. Thank you to our basketball volunteers and coaches: Ms. Newell, Mr. Sparrey, Mr. & Mrs. Wiley and Ms. Bowers.

☀ **Musical Performance**

We are excited to be preparing a Spring Musical together under the direction of Mme Ball. On the mornings of April 16 and 17, we will present *I Love Rock & Roll!* This performance will celebrate rock music from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, and 00s. We hope you can attend the day that your child's class will be presenting as we have two different casts. See below..

- ★ April 16: Ms. Jensen, Mme Johnson, Mme Light, Ms. Peters, Ms. Rivet, and Mme Rode's classes
- ★ April 17: Mme King, Ms. Lebbon/Diadio, Mme Macdonnell, Mme Morden, Mme Mondor, Mr. Nicholls' classes



COMING UP SOON

- 13 - day before Valentine's Day: Wear Pink, Red, clothing with messages of love and kindness
- 14 - Non Instructional Day - No School
- 17 - Family Day - No School
- 19 - PAC Meeting at 6:00 pm in the school library
- 21 - DWE Spirit Day: blue, grey, and/or spirit wear
- 26 - Pink Shirt Day
- 27 & 28- Early Dismissal (at 12:25) - Communicating Student Learning





**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**

Together We Learn

The School Bus Transportation Application for September 2025 (2025-2026 year) is now open!

IMPORTANT

Although school bus transportation applications are accepted throughout the school year, priority seating for the 2025–2026 school year is given to those applicants who have applied before end of day on **May 31, 2025**

Use the link below to submit a school bus transportation application for the 2025-2026 school year.

<https://busconnect.sd23.bc.ca>

Students must be registered to ride on the school bus, for detailed information regarding student eligibility for transportation please visit our website:

<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/transportation-services-programsservices>

470R – Transportation Services Management – Guiding Principles for Transportation
in Central Okanagan Public Schools.

<https://www.sd23.bc.ca/documents/24bb4ba9-1cff-53b9-b0a4-a7dcde0e2c1b>

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**For RED FLASHING LIGHTS
IT'S THE LAW**



Safety is everyone's responsibility

KELOWNA

2025 SPRING BALL HOCKEY LEAGUE



MENS [18+ YRS]

16 Game Season

- INDIVIDUAL, GROUP OR TEAM REGISTRATIONS
- DIVISIONS FOR ALL SKILL SETS
- MINIMAL EQUIPMENT
- MON - THURS 7-10 PM, TWO DAYS/WEEK

\$260/individual or \$3,800/team
(**\$224/player with a 17 player roster**)

GST and Jersey Fee (\$30) are added to cost during online registration process.



WOMENS [18+ YRS]

10 Game Season

- INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP REGISTRATIONS
- DIVISIONS FOR ALL SKILL SETS
- MINIMAL EQUIPMENT
- ONE GAME PER WEEK, DAY TBD

\$160/individual + \$30
(**Jersey fee**) + **GST**

GST and Jersey Fee (\$30) are added to cost during online registration process.



YOUTH [3-YRS]



16 Game Season

- IMPROVE HOCKEY SKILLS (PASSING, SHOOTING, VISION, GAME PLAN)
- MEET NEW FRIENDS
- REGISTER WITH FRIENDS
- GREAT INTRODUCTORY SPORT FOR ASPIRING ICE HOCKEY PLAYERS.
- NON-CONTACT AND MINIMAL EQUIPMENT

\$260/individual + \$30 (Jersey fee) + GST



AGE	CATEGORIES	DAYS OF WEEK*	COSTS	GAMES
U5	2020/2021/2022	Sundays	\$260	16
U7	2018/2019	Sundays	\$260	16
U9	2016/2017	Sundays	\$260	16
U11	2014/2015	Sundays	\$260	16
U13	2012/2013	Sundays	\$260	16
U15	2010/2011	Sundays	\$260	16
U18	2007/2008/2009	Sundays	\$260	16

**Times are projected game times based on having 4 teams per age category*
GST added to all above registrations*

**SEASON RUNS
MID APRIL – END
OF JUNE, 2025**



Registration Deadline is March 20, 2025

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



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