



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

September 5, 2025

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***Welcome Back!** You should now have received an email from your child's new teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. We are **ROAR**-ing into a great year together!*

Student Information Sheets

Students will be arriving home with Student Information Verification Sheets (yellow sheets). This is your opportunity to confirm or update your contact information as well as emergency contacts. These forms are due next week.



CALENDAR ITEMS

September 11 PAC Dessert Night – Meet your school community! (6-7pm)

September 19 Terry Fox Run

September 30 Truth & Reconciliation Day / No School

October 9 PAC Meeting (AGM) 6:30pm

October 10 Implementation Day / No School

October 13 Thanksgiving / No School

October 16 / 17 Parent / Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal)

October 20 School Photo Retakes

October 24 Pro.D. Day / No School

October 31 Halloween (a Friday)

November 10 Remembrance Day Assembly

November 11 Remembrance Day / No School

PAC Dessert Night Event September 11, 2025 6-7pm

Come meet your school community!

PAC Annual General Meeting

***please note new date:**

Thursday, September 9th, 2025
6:30pm

DWE Library – Join us!

Hot Lunch

We are in need of parent volunteers! Please see the office if interested and able to help.

Join us Thursday, September 11 from 6-7 outside the school (on the pavement play area near the gym doors) where the PAC will be selling ice cream treats (\$1-\$2 per item).

This will be a chance for kids and their siblings to play on the playground and meet new (and see old) friends. Parents and guardians, this is a chance for you to visit with other DWE families and find out more about the opportunities to get involved in the school Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

If you would like to volunteer to help out at the event please email dwepac@gmail.com

Please note this is NOT a drop off event. Parent/guardians need to supervise any kids they bring to the event.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2025-26

School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan Public Schools)

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Days in session	190
Number of days of instruction	183
Number of non-instructional days	7
Schools open – Tuesday only, 8:25-10:55	Tuesday, September 2, 2025
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	Tuesday, September 30, 2025
Administrative Implementation Day (no regular classes)	Friday, October 10, 2025
Thanksgiving Day (schools closed)	Monday, October 13, 2025
Early Dismissal at 12:25 for Parent-Teacher Conferences	Thursday, October 16, 2025
Early Dismissal at 12:25 for Parent-Teacher Conferences	Friday, October 17, 2025
Teacher Professional Day	Friday, October 24, 2025
Remembrance Day (schools closed)	Tuesday, November 11, 2025
First Written Learning Update	Friday, November 28, 2025
School closes for Winter vacation at 2:30	Friday, December 19, 2025
Winter vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, December 22 – Friday, January 2, 2026
Statutory holiday (schools closed)	Wednesday, January 1, 2026
School reopens after Winter vacation	Monday, January 5, 2026
Teacher Professional Day (Support Staff In-Service Day)	Friday, February 13, 2026
Family Day (schools closed)	Monday, February 16, 2026
Early Dismissal at 12:25 for Parent-Teacher Conferences	Thursday, February 26, 2026
Early Dismissal at 12:25 for Parent-Teacher Conferences	Friday, February 27, 2026
Second Written Learning Update	Thursday, March 12, 2026
School closes for Spring vacation at 2:30	Friday, March 13, 2026
Spring vacation period (schools closed)	Monday, March 16 – Friday, March 27, 2026
School reopens after Spring vacation	Monday, March 30, 2026
Good Friday (schools closed)	Friday, April 3, 2026
Easter Monday (schools closed)	Monday, April 6, 2026
Victoria Day (schools closed)	Monday, May 18, 2026
Last Day of School and Third Written Learning Update	Thursday, June 25, 2026
Administrative Day (students do not attend)	Friday, June 26, 2026
School closes for summer	Friday June 26, 2026

Bell Schedule for 2025-26

8:20 Welcome Bell
 8:25 Morning Classes Begins
 11:10 Outdoor Play
 11:35 Lunch
 12:02 Lunch Completes
 12:07 Afternoon Classes Begin
 1:10 Little Recess
 1:25 Final Period
 2:25 Dismissal

Early Dismissal Days for 2025-26

Dismissal will happen at 12:25 on the following days:
 October 16 and 17, 2025
 February 26 and 27, 2026

Staff In-Service Days for 2025-26

Friday, October 10, 2025
 Friday, October 24, 2025
 Friday, February 13, 2026

Statutory Holidays are highlighted in the above calendar.