



September 1, 2026

Hello and Éy swayel Kw'íyeqel Secondary Families, Caregivers, and Students

Welcome to a new school year at Kw'íyeqel Secondary! Whether you are returning to our school community or joining us for the first time, we are truly glad you are here. We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer and are feeling ready for the year ahead. At KSS, we believe every student belongs, is valued, and can be successful. Our staff are excited to reconnect with students, build new relationships, and support each learner on their unique path. We look forward to partnering with you to make this a positive, meaningful, and successful year for every student. Kw'íyeqel means to climb a mountain in Halq'eméylem so we like to say **Together We Climb!**

This letter provides some basic information to get the new year started in a good way. Please have a look but if you have any questions or concerns, please give us a call or email.

KSS Team Contacts

- **Ms. Kelly McAvoy** (Administrative Assistant) – General Information, Intake Meetings, School Registration, School Records, and Attendance
- **Ms. Bobbi Roddick** (Administrative Assistant) – School Transcripts and School Accounts
- **Homeroom Teachers** – This letter shares who your child's Homeroom Teacher is. The Homeroom Teacher is your main contact at our school for students and parents.
- **Counsellors** – Schedules, Student Plans, Mental Health Supports, and Graduation Planning
- **Case Managers** – You will receive a separate email from your child's Case Manager if they have an Individual Education Plan. This person will work with you, your child, and the homeroom teacher to ensure your child's learning and support needs are met.
- **Ms. Kirsten Froyland** (Vice-Principal) – Most student-related issues
- **Mrs. Danielle Wicker** (Principal) – General solution-finding and appeals

We have many staff members who are excited to serve you and your child. Our [KSS School Website](#) and [Student Handbook](#) lists all of our amazing staff which includes Child & Youth Care Workers, Education Assistants, Indigenous Education Assistants, Indigenous Graduation Coach, Work Experience Facilitators, Career Advisor, and

First Week of School Schedule for KSS Students

Tuesday September 8th – First Day of School (9:30am – 10:45am)

- **Bus Students:** Registered bus students will be dropped off at the Main Campus between **9:00am and 9:10am**. Please refer to the transportation information sent by the Transportation Department for your bus details.
- **South Campus Students:** Students whose homeroom is at the South Campus will take a bus from the Main Campus to the South Campus at **9:20am**.
- **Welcome Treat:** Donuts will be available at both the Main Campus and South Campus this morning.
- **Homerooms at Main and South: 9:30am. to 10:45am.**
 - Students should get a donut then report to their assigned homeroom upon arrival.
 - In some cases, homeroom changes may be considered later this week if there are unique circumstances.
 - Any homeroom changes will be made only after consultation with the student, their school counsellor, and the school administration team.
- **End of Homeroom:** At **10:45am**, South Campus students will be bused back to the Main Campus, where they can catch their regular bus home.

Wednesday September 3rd, Thursday September 4th, and Friday September 5th - Half Days for Student (9:30am – 12:10pm)

- **Bus Students:** Registered bus students will be dropped off at the Main Campus between **9:00am and 9:10am**. Please refer to the transportation information sent by the Transportation Department for your bus details.
- **South Campus Students:** Students whose homeroom is at the South Campus will take a bus from the Main Campus to the South Campus at **9:20am**.
- **Homeroom Session 1: 9:30am to 10:45am**
- **Break: 10:45am to 10:55am**
- **Homeroom Session 2: 10:55am to 12:10pm**
- **End of Day:** Students will be dismissed at **12:10 pm**.
- **South Campus Transportation:** At **12:10pm**, South Campus students will be bused back to the Main Campus.
- **Home Buses:** Buses will depart from the Main Campus at **12:20pm** for students who are registered for transportation.

Monday September 14th – First Full Day and Regular Schedule

- **Bus Students:** Registered bus students will be dropped off at the Main Campus between **9:00am and 9:10am**. Please refer to the transportation information sent by the Transportation Department for your bus details.
- **South Campus Students:** Students whose homeroom is at the South Campus will take a bus from the Main Campus to the South Campus at **9:20am**.
- **Homeroom Session 1: 9:30am to 10:45am**
- **Break: 10:45am to 10:55am**
- **Homeroom Session 2: 10:55am to 12:10pm**
- **Lunch: 12:10pm to 12:40pm**
- **Elective Class: 12:40pm to 1:55pm**
 - Students should attend the elective class shared by their Homeroom Teacher
- **End of Day:** Students will be dismissed at **1:55pm**.
- **South Campus Transportation:** At **2:00pm**, South Campus students will be bused back to the Main Campus.
- **Home Buses:** Buses will depart from the Main Campus at **2:05pm** for students who are registered for transportation.

Bell Schedule (new)

 KW'ÍYEQEL SECONDARY SCHOOL	
2026 - 2027	
Bell Schedule	
Time	Schedule
9:30 – 10:45	Homeroom
10:45 – 10:55	Break
10:55 – 12:10	Homeroom
12:10 – 12:40	Lunch
12:40 – 1:55	Elective

Bus Schedule

Bus Schedule for Regular Days

- 9:20am - Bus from Main to South
- 12:10pm - Bus from Main to South
- 12:20pm - Bus from South to Main
- 2:00pm - Bus from South to Main
- 2:10pm Bus from Main (End of day)

Please note:

- Transportation of students between our two campuses will be by School District #33 bussing.
- Students who will utilize SD #33 Transportation from the Main Campus to the South Campus for their morning classes, will be departing the Main Campus at 9:20am each day. If a student misses this bus they will be required to find an alternate method of getting to the South Campus. Remaining on the Main Campus because they missed the bus is not possible.
- At the end of each school day, for those students who have registered for SD #33 bussing, busses will leave the KSS Main Campus at 2:05pm each day.

Consent Forms

Parents/Guardians of all registered KSS students are required to complete several documents through **PermissionClick**, providing their consent for the use of school technology, class/school off-site walking fieldtrips, and to receive additional Indigenous Education supports.

Please watch for emails from Permission Click to ensure your child can use computer appropriately at school, participate in walking fieldtrips, and receive important services. The three forms are listed below:

1. Chilliwack School District Technology Acceptable Use Agreement (AUA)
2. Student Walking Fieldtrip Parental Consent Form
3. Indigenous Education Enhanced Services Verification

Student Expectations, Student Handbook, and Code of Conduct

At KSS, we aim to create a safe and inclusive environment. Please read the [Student Handbook](#) and [Code of Conduct](#) to ensure expectations are clear. We ask that all students and families review and sign the Code of Conduct.

Join the KSS Parent Advisory Council (PAC)!

We would love to welcome new members to the KSS PAC!

Being part of PAC is a great way to stay informed about what's happening at the school, meet other families, and have a voice in supporting students and school events. The commitment is minimal, meetings are friendly and informal, and every contribution is appreciated.

A strong PAC also helps our school access additional funding that can support student activities and opportunities throughout the year.

If you would like to learn more or are interested in joining, please contact the KSS office. We'd be excited to have you involved!

September Dates of Note

Tuesday Sept. 8 th	First day of school (Students in session 9:30am – 10:45am)
Wednesday Sept. 9 th , Thursday Sept. 10 th , Friday Sept. 11 th	Half Days (Students in session 9:30am – 12:10pm)
Monday Sept. 14 th	First full day of school for KSS students and the start of Elective Classes (Students in session 9:30am – 1:45pm)
Friday Sept. 18 th	Welcome Back BBQ for Students, Families, & Caregivers Half Day of School (9:30am – 12:10pm) BBQ Starts at 12:15pm
Monday Sept. 21 st	Photo Day
Monday Sept. 28 th Tuesday Sept. 29 th Thurs. Oct 1 st Fri. Oct 2 nd	Half Days (Students in session 9:30am – 12:10pm) Foundation Week – Individual Education Plan Meetings Scheduled with students and families
Wednesday Sept. 30 th	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – School Closed to Students

Office Hours

- Our Office Hours for the 2025 – 2026 school year are: 8:00am – 3:00pm.

Stay Connected

- Instagram - @kwiyeqel
- X - @KwiyeqelKodiak
- Kodiak Connect – bi-weekly newsletter sent by email

Please feel free to contact your child's teacher(s), our office staff, or our administration team at any time throughout the school year with questions, concerns, ideas, or information you'd like to share.

We look forward to partnering with you and connecting with your family throughout the year!

Respectfully,

Danielle Wicker
Principal