












# Coyote Connections



**WEEK OF: Dec. 15 – 19**



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| Monday – Dec. 15<br>B/A    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ski Gear Day  </li> <li>• Food Bank Donations – bring items to foyer for prize draw (ends Dec. 18)</li> </ul>  |
| Tuesday – Dec. 16<br>D/C   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candy Cane Day </li> </ul>  |
| Wednesday – Dec. 17<br>B/A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas PJ Day &amp; Door Decorating Judging  </li> <li>• Learning Lounge: ALL SUBJECT academic peer support @ lunch – rm. 136</li> <li>• Winter Band Concert @ 7pm in the theatre</li> </ul>                    |
| Thursday – Dec. 18<br>D/C  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santa Hat Day &amp; Candy Gram Handout  </li> </ul>  |
| Friday – Dec. 19<br>B/A    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Western Day   <i>Yee Haws!</i></li> <li>• Wellness Clinic – Public Health Nurse in the am</li> <li>• School Assembly (Hoedown) @ 2:10 pm in the gym</li> <li>• Last Full Day of Classes before Winter Break</li> </ul> |

Dec 22 – Jan 2 – **Winter Break**

Jan 5 – School Reopens After Winter Break (Full Day)

Jan 7 – Prom 2027 Parent/Guardian Planning Mtg. @ 6pm in library

Jan 8 – Grade 12 Grad Meeting in the theatre in the am

Jan 9 – Wellness Clinic – Public Health Nurse in the am

Jan 14 – Sr. Winter Formal 7–9pm in the foyer

Jan 16 – Yearbook Order Soft Deadline

Jan 19 – COBSS Applications due today at **11:59pm**

– PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm in the LLC

Jan 21 – Commercial Music Concert 7–9pm in the theatre

Jan 23 – Semester 1/Term 2 Ends

– Wellness Clinic – Public Health Nurse in the am

Jan 26 – “I” Completion Day – **No Regular Classes**

– Strategic Plan Public Engagement Session @ 6–9pm in LLC



GESS will be collecting food donations for the Lake Country Food Bank until December 18

Enjoy wrapping Christmas Gifts?  
Earn volunteer hours by wrapping gifts at Orchard Park mall on December 17. Please go to the Career Centre for further information.



## Junior Coyotes

# WINTER PROGRAMS

**WINTER 3ON3**

Gr 1-9 Boys & Girls

Sundays | Jan 4 - Mar 8

**MICROBALLERS**

Boys & Girls | Ages 3-5

Sundays | Jan 4 - Mar 8

**WINTER 5ON5**

Gr 6-8 Boys | Jan 10 - Mar 8

Saturdays & Sundays

**CHRISTMAS CAMP** Gr 1-12 Boys & Girls | December 27-28

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## GRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LAKE COUNTRY BOTTLE DEPOT FUNDRAISER:

Have refundables? Donate them to the 'GESS GRAD' account at the Lake Country Bottle Depot. There's no need to sort them! Proceeds go towards prom for this year's grad class.

### GRAD PHOTOS – BOOKING NOW OPEN:

Students can now book a sitting for their grad photos between **February 12-23**. All grads **MUST** sit for their photos, as they are required for the composite. There is an initial \$60 deposit (paid online during the booking process) that can be **REFUNDED** if one chooses not to purchase photos.

### SR. WINTER FORMAL – JANUARY 14:

The Sr. Winter Formal Dance is **January 14 @ 7-9 PM**. Tickets are **\$5**, and will go on sale **January 5-13 at lunch in the foyer**. Pay via **CASH** or **TAP**. This event is limited to **GESS students in grades 11 and 12 ONLY**. There will be no re-entry for anyone who leaves early. The theme is 'Winter Wonderland.' A limited concession will be available during the dance.

Please visit the [grad website](#) for more details on grad events and general grad information.



## Family Holiday Skate



Sunday, Dec. 14

1 - 3 p.m. at Rutland Arena

Join in on some free family fun!

Skating, treats, games, door prizes & more!

Admission is free, but donations to the food bank are greatly appreciated.

[kelowna.ca/calendar](http://kelowna.ca/calendar)



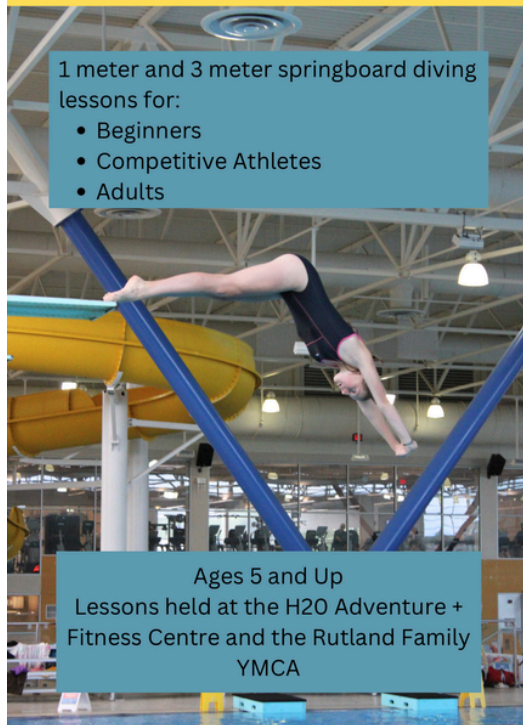
## Take the Plunge

Learn to Dive with KSDC



1 meter and 3 meter springboard diving lessons for:

- Beginners
- Competitive Athletes
- Adults



Ages 5 and Up

Lessons held at the H2O Adventure + Fitness Centre and the Rutland Family YMCA

Email [ksdc.general@gmail.com](mailto:ksdc.general@gmail.com) with any questions



NEW SESSION STARTS WEEK OF JAN.10

# THEATRE CLASSES

THEATRE FOR ALL

Winter 2026

**YOUTH CLASSES (AGES 6-11)**

MISSION POSSIBLE-A SPY STORY  
SATURDAYS, 10-11AM

K-POP MUSICAL THEATRE CLASS-ORIGIN STORY  
SATURDAYS, 1-2PM OR MONDAYS, 4-5:30PM

ALICE IN WONDERLAND  
SATURDAYS, 2-3PM

**TEEN CLASSES (AGES 12-17)**

DOWN A DARK HALL-MYSTERY PLAY  
SATURDAYS, 11-12:30PM

**ADULT CLASSES**

IMPROV GAMES NIGHT  
MONDAYS, 5:30-7PM

LET'S MAKE A MURDER MYSTERY  
MONDAYS, 7-8:30PM

DIRECTING & PLAYWRIGHTING WORKSHOPS-JANUARY & FEBRUARY

**SPRING BREAK CAMPS-MARCH**

WEEK #1-SING! DANCE! ACT!-YOUTH  
WEEK #2-HEROES & VILLAINS-YOUTH  
WEEK #3-MUSICAL THEATRE-TEENS



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