

KATE ANDREWS HIGH SCHOOL



2024 NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

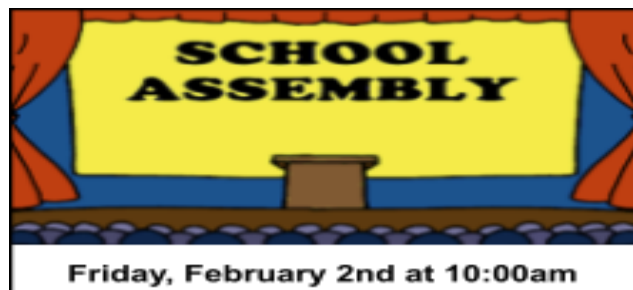
Happy New Year. . . well sort of. The start of the new semester gives me the same feeling that New Year's does. Here is an opportunity to make some new resolutions, start some better habits or get rid of some bad ones. It gives us a chance for a fresh start. I encourage you to sit down with your children and set some goals for this semester. It may be a designated homework period, a more consistent bedtime or simply making sure they are eating breakfast to start the day. Regardless, it is an opportunity to improve on what we did last semester.

Basketball is in full swing. All our teams are having great games and I encourage you to get out and watch them play. As I am writing this, (as the coach of the other winter sport) we are competing in districts in curling in the hopes of making it to zones.

Our band is practicing for their next event and drama is hard at work preparing our next production. February is a very short month, so stay tuned for more information around events happening at the school.

I am going to encourage parents and guardians to not wait until things become overwhelming. You may hear from your child that they can look after things, but it is important that we keep the lines of communication open. Please phone your child's teacher or me if you have any information, questions, or concerns.

Curtis Uyesugi



NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

February 9th - PD Day
February 19th to 23rd



Monday, February 19th is Family Day in Alberta, and we hope that all of our KA families are able to spend time with those they love on this day. Teachers will be attending Teacher's Convention on February 22nd & 23rd.



Wednesday, February 7 - [Police Officer](#)

Wednesday, February 14 - [Pilot](#)

Thursday, February 15 - [Helicopter Pilot](#)

Thursday, March 7 - [Psychologist](#)

CAREER TRANSITIONS
CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION
POLICE OFFICER
FEBRUARY 7, 2024
4:30pm

A career in Policing is very rewarding. In helping others, you make a difference in your community while keeping the community safe. Working independently, or in a team, you receive the same.

A variety of specializations include patrol, law enforcement, forensic specialist, undercover, or crime handler. Policing is a career that will challenge you to your limit and reward what you thought possible for yourself.

Are Considered British and Canadian Paths of the Lethbridge Police recruiting team. We learn more about this occupation and what it takes to get started in a new career choice.

Register now for this FREE virtual session!
Once registered, you will receive an email with the link, plus additional information regarding the event.

Questions? Email staff@careersteps.ca

CAREER TRANSITIONS
CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION
PILOT
FEBRUARY 14, 2024
4:30pm

A career as a pilot can lead to many exciting opportunities and roles. Their mission is to safely operate and manage an aircraft during flights, but can be hired as instructors, cargo pilots, military, and many other positions. They perform pre-flight checks, communicate with air traffic control, and ensure compliance with aviation regulations. They have excellent flying skills, and strong decision-making skills.

Bring your questions and find out more from our host, Hannah, from Greater Kamloops.

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CAREER TRANSITIONS
CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION
HELICOPTER PILOT
FEBRUARY 15, 2024
4:30pm

A career in aviation can be one of the most challenging and rewarding jobs a person can do if you enjoy the outdoors and the seeing new places. There is a wonderful change of experience between helicopter pilots, however, it is hard to find that first job to start building their.

Join Dan, from High Rider Helicopters, to find out more about a career as a Helicopter Pilot.

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CAREER TRANSITIONS
CAREER EXPLORATION SESSION
PSYCHOLOGIST
MARCH 7, 2024
4:30pm

There are many directions you can take by pursuing a career as a Psychologist that can speak within your interests and strengths.

To be in a therapeutic position, hearing of a past secondary level and continuing research, or administering many different types of assessments, the choice is ultimately to work. This rewarding career can only help others but is always rewarding what we know about people and how we act!

Our host, Lindsay, will be here to answer your questions and get you started.

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Students who are skilled in trades and technology should consider competing in the **South West Regional Skills Canada Competition!** Coming on March 16 at Lethbridge College, students can participate in an Olympic-style competition in one of these areas: Automotive Technology, Baking, Cabinet Making, Carpentry, Culinary Arts, Electrical Installation, Fashion Technology, Hairstyling, Photography, Video Production or Welding. More information can be found at <https://careersteps.ca/skills/>. Interested students need to have the school register them - and registration is NOW OPEN!



KAHS' Drama Department presents **The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon** with anticipated performance dates of February 28th - March 2nd, 2024. Showtime is at 6:30pm and we look forward to seeing you all there! Ticket details to be released soon!

There are a large amount of coats, sweaters, water bottles and other miscellaneous items in the Lost & Found collection at KA. If you are missing anything that belongs to you, please come check it out. All remaining items will be donated to charity in June.





THE LAST DANCE
2024 KA ALUMNI BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT
APRIL 26/27, 2024

With Coaldale Prairie Winds Secondary opening in September, this will be the last Kate Andrews Alumni Basketball Tournament as we know it. KA grads are encouraged to gather with fellow graduating classmates and compete in this **full court 5 on 5** tournament. Teams will be organized by graduating years wherever possible. All entrance fees and donations will go towards setting up the basketball team as they make the transition into the new school.

Link to Register: [THE LAST DANCE](#)

**VALENTINE'S
CANDY GRAMS**

FOR SALE: FEBRUARY 5-8
@LUNCH

Treat those special people in your
life on Valentine's Day!

\$2 EACH Purchase in advance
Candy will be handed
out on February 14th

Miss Gurski's English 10-12 Tutorial

When: Every Tuesday

Time: 3:40 pm- 4:30 pm

Where: Room 104

Tutorials are an opportunity to receive support with writing, reading comprehension and understanding texts that are studied in class. You may also come to Tutorials with the intention of just working on assignments and having the opportunity to get feedback in the moment. Tutorials are also an opportunity for you to carve out time to work on assignments/homework, even if it is in another class. If you are absent during scheduled class time you may also use this Tutorial session to catch up. Missed Quizzes/Tests/ in class work may be caught up during this time.


Tutorials are offered for all 10-12 ELA students that I teach. It is a great opportunity to bounce ideas off of classmates in different grades as a writing workshop. If I have to cancel or move a tutorial, I will post an announcement on Edsby and Google Classroom



January 2024 Students of the Month



STUDENT OF THE MONTH
THIS IS AWARDED TO
DYLON DE LEEUW

DYLON FINISHED THE SEMESTER STRONG BY PUTTING HIS BEST EFFORT INTO ELA. HE SHOWCASED HIS LEARNING OF HIS FINAL EXAMS AND CAME PREPARED. DYLOAN BECAME A LEADER IN THE DRAMA CLASSROOM. HE WAS ENGAGED AND EXCITED ABOUT THE WORK THAT WE DO IN CLASS, AND WAS QUICK TO VOLUNTEER TO PERFORM IN A LEAD ROLE FOR THIS YEAR'S FINE ARTS NIGHT. DYLOAN IS FUNNY, CHARISMATIC, AND ENGAGING ON STAGE, AND THIS ENERGY OFTEN SPREADS TO OTHERS IN THE CLASSROOM. THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND ENERGY THIS SEMESTER, DYLOAN!






STUDENT OF THE MONTH
THIS IS AWARDED TO
OLIVIA HUDEY

OLIVIA EXEMPLIFIES THE QUALITIES WE REGARD HIGHLY AT KATE ANDREWS. HER RESPONSIBILITY AND CARE TOWARD HER ACADEMICS IS COMMENSURABLE. WHETHER IT'S COMPLETING ASSIGNMENTS THOROUGHLY, PARTICIPATING ACTIVELY IN CLASS DISCUSSIONS, OR VOLUNTEERING WITH STUDENT COUNCIL, OLIVIA CONSISTENTLY GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND EXPECTATIONS. HER CONSCIENTIOUS APPROACH TO HER STUDIES REFLECTS HER COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE. OLIVIA'S ACCOUNTABILITY MAKES HER A TRUSTED MEMBER OF OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY. WE COMMEND HER FOR HER NATURAL ATTITUDE AND WILLINGNESS TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF HER LEARNING. WELL DONE, OLIVIA!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH
THIS IS AWARDED TO
PATRICK REED

PATRICK EXCUSES PASSION FOR DRAMA EACH AND EVERY CLASS. HE IS ALWAYS READY TO PERFORM, IS AN AWESOME AUDIENCE MEMBER, AND IS THE FIRST TO PUT HIS HAND UP TO PARTICIPATE IN A GAME OR ACTIVITY. WE WILL MISS HAVING PATRICK AS A MEMBER OF THE DRAMA COMMUNITY HERE AT KATE ANDREWS. THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK, PATRICK!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH
THIS IS AWARDED TO
MATTHEW FROESE

MATTHEW, A TRUSTWORTHY AND INCLUSIVE STUDENT, MATTHEW IS THE KIND OF STUDENT WHO VALUES INCLUSION. WHETHER IT WAS IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION OR DRIVING OPEN GYM SESSIONS, HE ALWAYS HAD A POSITIVE ATTITUDE AND WAS WILLING TO WORK HARD WITH ANY TEAM HE'S ASSIGNED TO. WATCHING HIM PLAY BASKETBALL WITH ANYONE WHO WANTED TO JOIN IT WAS A DELIGHT.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH
THIS IS AWARDED TO
AIDEN ISRAELSON

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO SHARE THAT AIDEN HAS EXHIBITED AN ADMIRABLE LEVEL OF RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO HIS STUDIES THIS SEMESTER. DESPITE BEING ABSENT DUE TO ILLNESS, HE HAS MAINTAINED A PERFECT ATTENDANCE RECORD. AIDEN HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY SUBMITTING FLAWLESS MATH ASSIGNMENTS, ALWAYS STAYING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE, AND DISPLAYING EXCELLENT STUDY HABITS. HIS DEDICATION TO GRADUATE ALONGSIDE HIS PEERS IS EVIDENT, AND HE HAS ALREADY TAKEN SIGNIFICANT STEPS TOWARDS ACHIEVING THIS GOAL.




There are 5 winners every month, and they can be nominated by teachers, students, parents, or community members. We are proud to celebrate our students excelling in Kate Andrews **P R I D E** - Passion, Responsibility, Inclusivity, Determination, and Engaged and Enthusiastic. These are qualities that we want to recognize that include both academic skills, but also strength of character.

February Sports News

1. February signals the last month of basketball for our grade 9's and Junior Varsity teams. Junior Varsity teams will engage in playoffs throughout the month of February fighting their way through a single elimination bracket. The Grade 9's will complete their season the first weekend of March with zones. Grade 9 girls will be hosted at Kate Andrews High School, and grade 9 boys will be hosted at Immanuel Christian Secondary. Senior Varsity will compete in zones in March with the opportunity to attend Provincials.


2. Badminton will begin upon the conclusion of basketball and as soon as the gym is available. Keep an eye on our social media and announcements for a start date. Our badminton program has won zones the past two years, with showings at Provincials, winning Silver at 2a Provincials last year. We're excited to get underway as soon as possible.

January Athletes of the Month



February

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>First day of Semester 2</p>	<p>1</p>  <p>\$3 /slice \$5 /2 slices</p>	<p>2</p> <p>School Assembly 10:00 AM</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>  <p>\$3 /slice \$5 /2 slices</p>	<p>9</p> 	<p>10</p>
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