

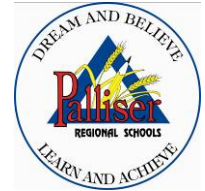


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Student Council President's Address

Hey everyone! As Student Council President this year, I am really excited about what this upcoming year has to offer. We have a large group of volunteers who have put forth some very new and enthusiastic ideas for this year. Our goal as a council is to plan events our school has never seen before, and put our own twist on old ones. Your council has been working hard to plan events that you will enjoy and appreciate, so we would love to hear what kind of events you want to see this year. We still welcome any students to come to our meetings, every Monday at noon, and give us some new ideas or feedback. Stay classy, Kate Andrews.
Rosie Templeton

2009-2010 Student Council Executive
President- Rosie Templeton
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Sports Convenor- Halli Conway
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Grade 11 Representative- David Opinko
Grade 10 Representative- Megan Cox
Grade 9 Representative- Vanessa Johnson



Worldskills Calgary 2009

What a fantastic event for our students to attend and begin the school year.

On September 3, 2009, approximately eighty students from Kate Andrews attended World Skills in Calgary. The students were able to watch world class excellence in vocational training and participate in TRY A SKILL which was extremely popular, with solid lineups. The students received lots of freebies to take home and had a great time.

Calgary did a fantastic job with the orientation and welcoming of our school. Our students were great ambassadors for KA.

In more news, Regional Skills will take place at the LC on April 29, 2010. Worldskills has brought more interest and popularity to the trades. If you are interested in competing in 9 trades areas: cabinetry, woodworking, automotive service, culinary arts, graphic design, welding, TV/Video production, fashion, and hairstyling look for information to follow. Baking and animation are possibly being considered as competition areas.



Check It Out At the Library

The library will be hosting a travelling art exhibit called **The Fantastical World of Jeff de Boer** for the month of October. This exhibit will be shown in the upstairs display cabinets. Please take the time to come and check out something new and exciting.

The Fantastical World of Jeff de Boer is populated by intrepid explorers, armored warriors, robots, and flying machines. He has spent a lifetime imagining the hero's transformative journey through his art. The metal sculptures and schematic drawings presented in this travelling exhibition reflect the sculptor's keen awareness of tradition and potential of technology to shape the future.

There will be wonderful and intricate examples of cat, mice and rat armor in this exhibition that humorously explore the relationship between predator and prey, as well as the relationship of opposites in nature. De Boer also reveals his interest in Asian philosophy and culture with a major sculpture entitled, *The Buddha in You*.

The Fantastical World of Jeff de Boer is a touring exhibition developed by the Alberta Society of Artists for the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition Program. It is being displayed at Kate Andrews High School, for the month of October, under the guidance of the Esplanade Arts and Heritage Centre. The AFA Travelling Exhibition Program is financially supported by the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.



Picture Re-takes and Grad Rings

Picture re-takes are scheduled for the morning of October 16. We'd like to encourage all students to have their pictures taken – even if there's no intent to buy the package. The pictures are used for yearbook purposes as well. Also, any grads interested in purchasing a grad ring –

representatives will be in the school on the 15th of October from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Counselor Corner

Welcome back! I would like to introduce myself. I am Lavonn Mutch the Family School Liaison Counselor for Kate Andrews High and Pass+ Outreach High Schools.

I am available to help students and families cope with difficulties they may be experiencing in their lives, either at home or at school. When needed, I can make referrals to agencies such as medical clinics, mental health and Child and Family Services. In other cases, I can provide information and resources.

The Family School Liaison counselor is not used as punishment for a misbehaving student. Discipline issues are addressed by the school's administration team. Students cannot be forced to see a counselor; rather the process is collaborative and non-threatening. Parents, students and teaching staff may all make a referral to the Family and School Liaison Counseling Program by contacting myself at Kate Andrews (403 345-3383) Pass+ Outreach School (403 345-4421) or on my cell (403 634-6659).

Oct. 12 Thanksgiving & Oct. 13 PD Day

Students will have a little longer break over the Thanksgiving weekend. The school will be closed on Tuesday October 13 as teachers will be engaged in district wide professional development activities on that day.



Edison was asked what it felt like to fail at building a light bulb 1,999 times. He responded that he didn't fail 1,999 times. He just found 1,999 ways a light bulb didn't work.

Don't forget to check your homework at

www.kateandrewshighschool.com

Mentorship

Mrs. Mutch is working very hard to have the Mentorship Program up and running by October 8th. Once again she's assisted by a crew of community minded KAHS students whose work with younger children will be very valuable. The 10 high school students will begin their training Thursday, September 24 and October 1st. Support and funding for the program came from a community incentive grant. Research indicates that youth who are involved in positive activities and who have good support systems are more resilient and make healthier decisions. Mentors work with youth to develop the skills they need to reach out and connect with others and participate in healthy recreational opportunities. This is the fourth year for the mentorship program and it is wonderful to see the spirit of caring and generosity demonstrated by our Kate Andrews mentors. This year our school resource office, Dana Gangur, is also participating as a facilitator in the mentorship program.

School Lockdown

On October 8, the school will be conducting a lockdown practice. Please be assured this practise in not prompted by any known or imagined threat to our school. Our objective in practising is to achieve a quicker and more calculated response to a crisis requiring such a measure. Consequently, we request everyone's support and assistance in responding to the drill as authentically as possible. The Regional Police Service will be on hand to observe our procedures and offer their advice and insights as well.



Success is not measured so much by our accomplishments in life but by what we had to overcome in the process.

-Booker T. Washington

Young Women's Savvy Conference

This year's Young Women's Savvy Conference will be hosted in Lethbridge Oct.14th as part of the 13th annual YWCA Week Without violence Campaign at the Coast Lethbridge Hotel. The theme for this year's conference is The Power of Being A Girl. Participants will be involved in collaborative workshops geared at increasing awareness of issues facing young women, encouraging personal safety and discovering inner strengths. Ten grade 9 girls will be representing KAHS this year.

KAHS Fall Magazine Campaign



Staff and students are busy gearing up for this fall's annual magazine campaign at Kate Andrews. This years campaign kicks off on **September 23rd and runs until October 7th**. The annual magazine campaign is the major fundraiser for our school and the funds generated help to offset all programs that take place at Kate Andrews. The community of Coaldale has been awesome supporters of this program in the past and I would like to thank everyone who contributes this year. Therefore, do not hesitate to renew your old subscriptions or purchase magazine subscriptions as Christmas gifts! If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call me anytime during school hours @ (403) 345-3383.

~Mike Gibson~

Progress Reports

Progress reports will be issued on the last day of each month. Due to technical difficulties, this will start in October.

KAHS Golf – Zone Champion

Kate Andrews Girls' Golf Team captured the Zone Championship at the Magrath Golf Course last week. Congratulations to Jessica Wagner, Halli Conway, Robyn Geers and Caitlyn Brett and their coach Mr. Darren Atwood. They are off to Red Deer on September 28 and 29. Congratulations and good luck at provincials!



Co-ed Volleyball

Calling all students! We are looking for co-ed volleyball teams – 2 leagues – 9/10, and 11/12 students. Teams require 8 players – with two girls on the court at all times. Please give your names to Mr. Buckler if you are interested.



Out of This World Experience

Grade 9 student Cody Wiebe was fortunate enough to have an 'out of this world' experience this week. Cody travelled to Vulcan, Alberta to the community centre where 700 students and parents gathered inside, and 200 outside to videoconference a live downlink to the International Space Station. There was only a twenty minute window to ask questions and Cody was fortunate enough to be able to ask a question to Canadian Astronaut Robert Thirsk. He asked: We know that there are studies done with bones and muscles and blood and what effect time and space has on them, but are there similar studies with internal organs like the liver or kidney? Robert Thirsk responded that there were similar studies, but it is actually the muscles and bones that are affected by time in space.

There were new stations performing interviews with students, and Cody was interviewed by both Shaw and Global Calgary. Congratulations to our famous student Cody Wiebe!



Curriculum Handbooks

The new *Curriculum Handbooks for Parents 2009-2010*, ECS through Senior High, are now available on the Alberta Education website at:

<http://education.alberta.ca/parents/resources/handbook.aspx>

Newsletter Items

Please get your newsletter items in to Mrs. Takasaki by the 20th of each month.

October Sports 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 3:45 J/S Girls 5:30 J/S Boys 7:15 4:00 9G @ STF 5:15 9B @ STF	2 Sr. Pride Invitational Gr. 9's @ Birds of Prey	3 Sr Pride Invitational Gr.9's @ Birds of Prey
4	5 3:45 9 B/G 5:30 J/S Boys 7:15 J/S Girls	6 4:00 9G/B vs STF J/S Girls @ Myers J/S Boys @ Magrath	7 3:45 5:30 J/S Boys vs PBHS J/S Girls @ LCI	8 3:45 5:30 Pride @ Winston 7:00 @ U of L	9	10
11	12 Thanksgiving No Classes	13 PD Day No Classes	14 J/S Girls vs CCHS	15 4:00 9G/B @ LCI Sr B/G @ CHHS	16 Sr B/G @ CHHS Jr. B/G @ Winston	17 Sr B/G @ CHHS Jr. B/G @ Winston
18	19	20 4:00 9G/B vs FLVT J/S Boys vs CCHS	21 J/S Girls @ Raymond	22	23 9B/G @ St. Mary's Sr. B/G @ PBHS Pride vs WR Myers 7:00 @ U of L	24 9B/G @ St. Mary's Sr. B/G @ PBHS
25	26	27 4:00 9B/G vs ICS J/S Boys @ Myers	28 J/S Girls vs PBHS	29 4:00 9B/G vs WCHS	30 Jr. Pride Invitational	31

