



Spooky Season!

Dear Parents of Kimberley Junior Public School

Thanks to those who joined our School Council meeting last month for the riveting election process. Some familiar faces, some new, and we're happy to announce our School Council grew! Here's how our 2024-25 School Council Executive netted out:

- **Co-Chairs:** Ellissa Glad & Misha Lobo
- **Treasurer:** Mark Brown
- **Secretary:** Lsan Tzadu
- **Communications Officer:** Toby Mead
- **Voting Members:** Alisen Richmond-Peck, Aman Sium, Cayley Kochel, Laura Flanagan, Megan Ballingall, Melissa Irwin, Melissa Ore

We have exciting plans for the school year including dances, movie nights, Parents Night Out, and Fun Fair to build our community and make this a special year for our students. We also committed to supporting our teachers with increased classroom budgets, allocating funds for STEM and DEI initiatives, and enriching our school with financial support for sports, music, and the arts!



Garden Animator Program

You may have noticed our gardens are getting a glow up! Council has hired fellow Kimberley parent (and professional landscaper), Heather Brush, to lead a garden program. Heather has already started cleaning out the garden beds – a task that was long overdue – and will be getting kids involved with learning opportunities for students in composting, human impact with nature, and nature in urban environments. A big thanks to Heather for all her work so far (and for finding that giant rock no-one knew was by the front door?). We can't wait to see the gardens in spring!

PIZZA LUNCH

Everyone loves pizza day! Our Free Pizza launch event was a great success and only possible with your support throughout the year. Don't forget to get your orders in on SchoolCashOnline where you can preorder all the way up to January so you don't miss any deadlines over the holidays.

HALLOWEEN DANCE



Join us this Friday, October 25th for a fun costume dance party! DJ Mike will be keeping us moving and there will be prizes for best costumes. Be sure to test your nerves at our spooky sensory table! Doors open at 5:15pm and our Snack Bar will be open with refreshments and snacks. We hope to see you there for a fun night! Volunteers are needed for door staff & clean-up, email council if you can spare some time.

MAD SCIENCE

Earlier this month council was thrilled to fund a Mad Science Show to lift school spirit and reinvigorate our students' passion for learning. The SPIN POP BOOM! show explored a combination of chemistry and physics with the Mad Scientist demonstrating many fun experiments. Thanks to the wonderful support of our parents and community, we were able to fund this special event for our students!

LOST & FOUND

Please check the Lost and Found near the west stairwell regularly. Items are always easier to find when labelled; if you are interested in ordering labels, we do get a kickback from Mabel's Labels when you sign up to support our Council.

Here are some of the more interesting lost items recently:



EVERYDAY SPEECH

Council has funded an Everyday Speech program license for Mr. Lipsett who will be using it with our kindergarteners. This is a social-emotional learning program with lessons on self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills and responsible decision-making. Overall, this learning program aims to improve students' mental health, academic performance, and social relationships. We're proud to support our teachers with tools to benefit our students!

UPCOMING DATES

Friday, October 25: **Halloween Dance** 🎃
Thursday, October 31: **Halloween Parade**
Friday, November 1: **Pizza Lunch**
Friday, November 15: **PD Day**
Friday, November 22: **Pizza Lunch**
Friday, December 6: **Pizza Lunch**
Friday, December 13: **Movie Night**

Go Cougars!



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