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Growth Mindset Leaders

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November's Growth Mindset theme is "My brain is a muscle and I want to grow it!"

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts." (Winston Churchill)

Below are the students recognized for taking on challenges and difficult learning tasks with a growth mindset. These individuals tend not to worry about being judged if they fail at a task or challenge. They show their vulnerability and are open to new challenges.

Leadership Recognition

Mrs. B. Kaur (KG-A) - Kareen Aujla
Ms. French (KG-B) - Anant Sekhon
Ms. N. Sandhu (KG-C) - Gurfateh Kaler
Mrs. P. Sandhu (KG-D/1D) - Hanreet Grewal
Ms. G. Sandhu (Gr.1A) - Dharmvir Sahi
Mrs. Khatri (Gr.1B) - Jasjot Kaur
Ms. Konovalova (Gr.1C) - Kesar Kaur
Mrs. Zaseybida (Gr.2A) - Mehtaab Sidhu
Mrs. Aujla (Gr.2B) - Gurnek Batth
Ms. Belanger (Gr.2C) - Gursanjh Brar
Ms. Brar (Gr.3A) - Aviraj Sarao
Ms. Khehra (Gr.3B) - Jasman Johal
Mrs. Dhanjal (Gr.4A) - Jasmeen Kaur
Mr. Hill (Gr.4B) - Amreet Buttar
Mrs. Parhar (Gr.5A) - Balraj Dhaliwal
Ms. Thompson (Gr.5B) - Karanvir Brar
Mrs. S. Sandhu (Gr.5C) - Fateh Sidhu
Mrs. Richards (Gr.6A) - Rajveer Rai
Mrs. Kahlon (Gr.6B) - Eknor Dhaliwal
Mrs. Hasni (Gr.6C) - Manreet Khaira
Mrs. Bedi (Gr.7A) - Sargun Sidhu
Mrs. Obhi (Gr.7B) - Sherveer Premi
Ms. Hoang (Gr.8A) - Taru Parmar
Ms. Jones (Gr.8B) - Gursahai Sadana
Mrs. S. Kaur (Gr.8C) - Jogeshwar Mundi
Mrs. Brar (Gr.9A) - Cheatan Sidhu
Mrs. Aulakh (Gr.9B) - Arundeeep Gill
Ms. Kaler (Gr.9C) - Keerat Dhani



Principal's Message

Wahe Guru Ji Ka Khalsa, Wahe Guru Ji Ki Fateh

The month of November is set to be quite busy, filled with various celebrations and events, including Bandi Chhor Divas, Remembrance Day, and Guru Nanak Dev Ji Parkash.

This year, Bandi Chhor Divas falls on Sunday, November 12th. We will pre-celebrate this occasion with our students, on Tuesday, November 7th. We encourage all staff and students to wear bana or Indian attire this day. Our Punjabi and Keertan team has been collaborating with the students to create a video presentation, which we will share with all staff, students, and parents on Thursday, November 9th.

Remembrance Day falls on Saturday, November 11th, and our school will observe it with an assembly on Friday, November 10th. We kindly request that all students wear their full uniforms on this day.

Guru Nanak Dev Ji Parkash falls on Monday, November 27th, and there will be **no school** on this day for both staff and students to spend quality time with their family to celebrate. Our Guru Nanak Dev Ji celebration will be held at school on Friday, December 1st. There will be **no classes** on this day, but an event is scheduled in the afternoon from 4:30-6:30 pm, during which students will be performing. More information will be shared with you closer to the date of the event. We are in need of several parent volunteers, particularly for preparing langar at the Dashmesh Culture Centre (DCC) Gurdwara for this event. If you're available to volunteer, please click on this link and sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0845ABAD22A3FAC70-45764355-guru>

We have decided to introduce a suggestion box as part of our ongoing efforts to enhance the school's collaborative environment. The red suggestion box will be located by the parent parking lot doors inside the school. This box is specifically intended for collecting valuable suggestions.

To reiterate, the suggestion box is not intended for complaints. It serves as a platform for offering ideas on enhancing the school's overall learning environment. It doesn't pertain to day-to-day school operations rather focuses on ways to acquire additional resources, materials, or upgrade facilities for both staff and students.



To ensure we receive practical and valid suggestions, we have generated slips that include the following prompts:

Name (optional):
Suggestion:
Explanation for the suggestion:
Steps for implementation:

We will thoughtfully evaluate and prioritize valid suggestions, while avoiding undue emphasis on complaints. It's crucial to recognize that not all suggestions may be feasible, depending on their nature.

We thank you for your valuable input and continued support.

Remembrance Day

In honor of Remembrance Day, we pay tribute to those brave individuals who lost their lives in war fighting for freedom. Remembrance Day is observed by countries all over the world on November 11th each year.

At Khalsa School Calgary, we will hold our annual Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 10, 2023. During this assembly, we will delve into the rich Sikh tradition of military service, spanning over 400 years and tracing its roots back to Guru Hargobind Singh Ji. This tradition embodies valor, selflessness, and an unwavering commitment to protect and serve.



As a part of our Remembrance Day commemoration, we encourage you and your child to make a modest donation. Your generosity will go towards supporting national Veteran programs, providing aid to Veterans and their families who have made sacrifices for our peace and security. We kindly request each contribution to be at least \$1.00.

In the words of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib, "*Through selfless service, eternal peace is obtained.*" Let us come together as a community to remember, honor, and serve those who have served us.

Healthy Hunger - Fun Lunch

We are excited to announce that we will be offering a monthly Fun Lunch or Fun Snack this year! Our Healthy Hunger vendors are committed to providing vegetarian options and safe preparation and delivery of food items. All lunches will be individually packaged with limited handling and will be delivered to the students' classrooms.

To join in the fun, enter into the Healthy Hunger website at www.healthyhunger.ca and add your child to their new teacher/grade. If you are new to Healthy Hunger, you will need to register your child(ren) through the homepage.

Our first Fun Lunch will be Subway on November 3, 2023 for those who ordered.



Science Fair

Khalsa School Calgary will be holding its annual Science Fair from Feb 6th to 7th for division II and III students. The selected students from grade 4 to 9 will be showcasing their experimental, research, and innovation projects. Over the past years, Science Fair has offered several important benefits to our students, including those below:



- ⇒ Developing and applying the scientific method to solve problems
- ⇒ Integrating Science with other disciplines such as Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
- ⇒ Improving research and critical thinking skills
- ⇒ Refining data analysing skills
- ⇒ Enhancing written, visual, and verbal communication
- ⇒ Improving time management and organisational skills

As our student enrollment has grown considerably over the past few years, we have had to implement changes to ensure that we are able to effectively and efficiently judge students' projects. The students' projects will pass through Stage 1 and Stage 2 before they are nominated for the Calgary Youth Science Fair.

Please read through the following information carefully:

Stage One - The students will be presenting their science fair project digitally to their respective science teacher in the week of **Jan 29 to Feb 1**. The top five projects will be selected by their teacher to go for further judging.

Stage Two - Top five projects from each class will get judged digitally during the Science Fair scheduled on **Feb 6th and Feb 7th**. We will have a team of teachers and volunteers with science backgrounds to judge these projects.

Judging Date	Classes
February 6	Grade 9A, 9B, 9C, 8A, 8B, 8C, 7A, and 7B
February 7	Grade 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6A, 6B, and 6C

Stage Three - The top projects from Grade 5 to 9 will be entered in the **Calgary Youth Science Fair** scheduled on **April 18, 19 and 20th**. Students will make tri-fold upon reaching this stage. As we have a limited quota, only five projects can be nominated from grade 5 and 6, and six projects from grade 7 and up. The students will receive guidance from their science teachers in the months of February and March after their selection for the city-wide science fair, and the dates to offer help will be communicated to parents in the second week of February, 2024.

Grades	Guiding Teachers
Grade 5 & 6	Ms. Bedi and Ms. Richards
Grade 7, 8, 9	Ms. Kaur and Ms. Aulakh

Calgary Youth Science Fair

This event will be held at the University of Calgary and one teacher from division one and one from division three will attend if permitted by CYSF. Please mark your calendar for some important dates:

February 9 - CYSF Project registration will close

March 15 - CYSF Online Projects must be complete and students will lose access to their projects for editing

April 18 - CYSF Project Set-Up (Trifold set up, no experiment set up)

April 19 - CYSF Judging Day

April 20 - CYSF Medal and Award Ceremony

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's science teacher if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your support in nurturing your child's love for science.

Best wishes,

KSC Science Fair Committee



Holiday Basket Fundraiser

Following the success of last year's Holiday Basket fundraiser, we are thrilled to announce that our school is once again gearing up for this festive tradition.

This year's Holiday Basket raffle promises to be even more exciting - each grade level has been assigned the task of curating a themed Holiday Basket. Please see below for more information on the grade-level themes.

Details on how to contribute items for these festive baskets will be shared by homeroom teachers. From December 11th to December 15th, our the Holiday Baskets will be on display in the Learning Commons. We invite students, parents, and teachers to partake in the festive fun by purchasing \$2.00 raffle tickets. With no limit on the number of tickets you can buy, the more you purchase, the greater your chances of winning one of the Holiday Baskets.



Grade Level	Holiday Basket Theme
Kindergarten	Rainbow Basket
Grade 1	Art Basket
Grade 2	Cupcake Basket
Grade 3	Birthday Basket
Grade 4	Hot Chocolate Basket
Grade 5	Movie Basket
Grade 6	Baking Basket
Grade 7	Red & Green Basket
Grade 8	Game Night Basket
Grade 9	Spa Basket



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Mata Sahib Kaur Ji Janam Divas Bana Day	4
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends	6 Full Uniform Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji Joti-Jot	7 Bandi Chor Divas Celebration at School (Bana Day)	8	9 Bandi Chor Divas video shared with staff, parents and students Picture Retakes (Full Uniform)	10 KSC Remembrance Day Assembly (Full Uniform)	11 Remembrance Day
12 Bandi Chhor Divas/Diwali	13 Remembrance Day - School Closed	14 Maghar 9th Sikh Month	15 Guru Granth Sahib Ji Baba Deep Singh Ji Shaheedi	16 Gurgaddi Divas	17 Bana Day	18
19 Guru Gobind Singh Ji Joti-Jot	20 Full Uniform	21 PAC Meeting Prakash Utsav - Guru Nanak Dev Ji	22	23	24 Gur Gadi - Guru Gobind Singh Ji Shaheedi - Guru Tegh Bahadur 1675 Casual Day	25
26	27 Guru Nanak Dev Ji Parkash - No School	28 Birthday - Sahibzada Zorawar Singh 1705	29	30 Baba Zorawar Singh Ji	1 Ji Janam Divas Guru Nanak Dev Ji Celebration (event from 4:30pm-6:30pm) No Classes (during the day)	