



# KSC Newsletter

## Growth Mindset Leaders

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December and January's Growth Mindset theme is *"embrace feedback."*

Students with a growth mindset ask for feedback from others so they can identify areas for improvement. They look at feedback as valuable input and use it to refine their skills."

Below are the growth mindset leaders for this month.

Ms. R. Chouhan (KG-A)- Ganeev Keera  
 Ms. S. French (KG-B)- Jasneh Kaur  
 Ms. N.Sandhu (KG-C)- Gurmeher Khinda  
 Ms. P. Sandhu (KG-D)- Harf S. Cheema  
 Ms. J Dhugga (KG-E) - Agam Singh Gill  
 Ms.G.Sandhu (Gr.1A)- Karanvir Sidhu  
 Ms. V. Maan (Gr.1B)- Hardit Gill  
 Ms. J. Daupan (Gr.1C)- Safal Grewal  
 Mrs. V. Aujla (Gr.2A)- Gursehaj Singh  
 Mrs. T. Huang (Gr.2B)- Fateh Gill  
 Ms. J. Nahal (Gr.2C)- Jayvin Sharma  
 Mrs. H. Brar (Gr.3A)- Japbir Singh  
 Mrs. N. Khehra (Gr.3B)- Mehtaab Sidhu  
 Mrs. S. Khatri (Gr.3C)- Deepkunwar Sandhu  
 Mrs. H. Dhanjal (Gr.4A)- Gurjaap Mangat  
 Mr. C. Miles (Gr.4B)- Japnoor Chahal  
 Mr. A. Hasni (Gr.5A)- Harjee Kaur Boparai  
 Mrs. Y. Sandhu (Gr.5B)- Jasmeen Kaur  
 Mrs. S. Sandhu (Gr.6A)- Udayveer Bhullar  
 Mrs. J. Kahlon (Gr.6B)- Simran Khun Khun  
 Mrs. M. Parhar (Gr.6C)- Navkirat Saroya  
 Mrs. R. Bedi (Gr.7A)- Muskan Deol  
 Mr. R. Obhi (Gr.7B)- Mehtab Singh  
 Mrs. M. Jones (Gr.7C)- Mannat Sekhon  
 Mrs. V. Hoang (Gr.8A) - Harkaran Sandhu  
 Mr. G. Purewal (Gr.8B)- Japvir Singh  
 Mrs. K. Brar (Gr.9A)- Jasman Aulakh  
 Mrs. P. Aulakh (Gr.9B)- Harraj Sidhu



## Principal's Message

As we approach the winter break, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and partnership throughout this year. It has been a wonderful journey working together to nurture and guide our students as they grow and thrive.

I hope this winter break provides you and your family with time to relax, reconnect, and create beautiful memories together. May your holidays be filled with joy, laughter, and warmth, and may the coming year bring health, happiness, and success to your household.

On behalf of our entire Khalsa School Calgary community, I wish you a safe and restful winter break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on January 13th refreshed and ready for the exciting opportunities ahead in the new year!

### Re-Registration for the 2025-2026 School Year

At Khalsa School Calgary students, staff, parents and the community are proud to be one team, with one vision to build and sustain a culture of excellence in all aspects of our educational enterprise. We regularly welcome feedback from all parents and we have been working on implementing many of the suggestions for continued improvement. Next year, we will continue to maintain our high quality of education and adhere to the Alberta curriculum for all core subjects. The regular program is enriched with Punjabi language classes, Gurmat, Keertan, Tabla, and Harmonium.

Re-registration packages will be sent home with students when classes resume after the winter break. Registration packages for returning families must be returned by **Friday, February 7, 2025**. Please return the registration package along with the school fee payments by the deadline to ensure your child's continuing enrollment and prevent them from being put on the waitlist. After February 7, 2025, registration will be open for new students in grades 1 through 9. If you are travelling during that time, please make sure you make arrangements for the payments and form submission. Please contact Mrs. Kulvinder Kaur or Mrs. Ranjit Kaila in the office for more information.

Registration for our full-day Kindergarten program will start on January 15, 2025. From the kindergarten waitlist, biological siblings (2020 born) of current Khalsa students will be contacted first for the assessment tests starting January 15, 2024.

### The Sacrifice and Remembrance of the Chaar Sahibzaade

The Chaar Sahibzaade—the four brave sons of Guru Gobind Singh Ji—hold immense significance in Sikh history as beacons of courage, sacrifice, and unwavering faith. Their martyrdom in defense of justice and principles serves as a timeless lesson in standing firm for one's values, even in the face of immense adversity.

During the upcoming school assembly on December 11th, honouring the Chaar Sahibzaade allows students to connect with their legacy, learning about the importance of resilience, integrity, and selflessness. It fosters a sense of respect for historical sacrifices and inspires young minds to embody these virtues in their daily lives. Through assemblies, discussions, and creative activities, schools not only commemorate their contributions but also instill values of courage, unity, and moral strength among students, ensuring their story continues to inspire future generations.

KSC will also be hosting a whole school Chaar Sahibzaade assembly on December 11th. A Zoom link will be shared with parents closer to the date to attend remotely.

## KSC Girls' Volleyball Team Victory



Khalsa School Calgary girls' volleyball team has achieved an outstanding victory, being crowned **League Champions for the 2024-2025 season** in the C.A.A.A. Junior High League Volleyball Girls Championship.

**Congratulations to the team for their remarkable dedication, teamwork, and perseverance!**



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## Division 1 Winter Concert

We are excited to announce our annual Division 1 Winter Concert, scheduled for **Friday, December 13th, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm** in the large gym. This will be our final day of school before the Winter Break, and it will also be a half-day for all students.

Kindergarten through Grade 3 students will perform a festive winter holiday themed song to entertain the audience. After the concert, you are welcome to take your child home.

**\*Please note:** Only two guests per KG—Gr.3 student are asked to attend. Thank you!

The KSC team looks forward to celebrating the season with you and your family at the concert!



## Parent-Teacher Conferences

**Thursday, December 5th @ 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

**Friday, December 6th @ 8:10 am to 12:00 pm**

Conferences will take place **in person** at Khalsa School Calgary. Please note that there will be **no classes** for students on these days, but we strongly encourage students to attend the conferences with their parents.

\* **All Kindergarten to Grade 6** parent teacher conferences will be **appointment based**, which means you will have to schedule the appointment. Please see the email sent from the office for further details.

\* **All Grades 7-9, Punjabi and Keertan** conferences will operate on a **walk-in basis**.

Teachers for Grades Kindergarten to 7 will be available in their respective homerooms, as well as the Tabla and Harmonium teachers.

The Grade 8-9 and Punjabi teachers will be in the large gym. Given the number of students some teachers teach, walk-in appointments will be managed on a first-come, first-served basis. Please anticipate a longer wait time to meet some of the teachers. Your patience during these walk-ins is greatly appreciated.

Booking for appointments will close on **December 4 at 5:00 pm**. Please log in to <https://ksc.schoolappointments.com> to book your appointments.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the school.



## School Parking Lot Safety Reminders



**SCHOOL  
SAFETY**

To ensure the safety of all students, families, and staff, please follow these important parking lot guidelines:

### General Safety Guidelines

**Follow Speed Limits:** Drive slowly, typically no more than 5-10 mph, while in the parking lot.

**Stay Alert:** Watch for pedestrians, especially small children who may be harder to see.

**Avoid Distractions:** Refrain from using your phone or other devices while driving.

### Drop-Off and Pick-Up Procedures

**Use Designated Areas:** Only drop off and pick up students in the designated zones. Avoid double parking or stopping in unauthorized areas.

**Park Properly:** If you need to leave your car, park in marked spaces

### Pedestrian Safety

**Use Crosswalks:** Always use designated crosswalks when walking through the parking lot.

**Escort Young Children:** Hold hands with younger children and ensure they stay close.

### Be Courteous and Patient

**Yield to Pedestrians:** Always stop for people crossing.

**Follow Staff Directions:** Listen to and follow instructions from staff members managing traffic flow.

**Be Patient:** Expect delays during busy times and plan accordingly.

By following these reminders, we can all work together to create a safe and efficient parking lot environment for our school community.

Thank you for your cooperation!

A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

**SAFETY  
FOR ALL**



## Holiday Basket Fundraiser

Kindly make sure to buy your Holiday Basket raffle entries and support this joyful and engaging fundraiser! Check below for details regarding the themes organized by grade level.

Tickets for the raffle are priced at **\$2.00** each and will be available for purchase from **December 2nd to December 12th**. During this period, the baskets will be showcased in the Learning Commons for students to explore. There's no restriction on the quantity of tickets you can acquire, so the more you buy, the higher your prospects of winning one of the delightful Holiday Baskets. The winners will be announced during morning announcements on Thursday, December 12th. Baskets can be picked up by the winners' family on Friday, December 13th. *Best of luck to all!*

Grade Level	Basket Theme
Kinder A & B	STEM Basket
Kinder C, D & E	Rainbow Basket
Grade 1	Art Basket
Grade 2	Cupcake Basket
Grade 3	Birthday Basket
Grade 4	Hot Chocolate Basket
Grade 5	Baking Basket
Grade 6	Movie Basket
Grade 7	Red & Green Basket
Grade 8	Game Night Basket
Grade 9	Spa Basket

## Healthy Hunger— Fun Lunch



We are so happy to see that KSC students enjoy our Healthy Hunger fun lunch!

Our next Fun Lunch will be Papa John's Pizza on **December 10, 2024**.

**\*Please order before December 3rd, as no late orders will be accepted\***



Reminder: 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.

If you have not yet registered your child(ren), You can do so at [www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca). Please add your child to their new teacher/grade, and select Conrich as your location, **not** Calgary.

Thank you to those who are able to participate and contribute to this school fundraiser!



## Calgary Humane Society Bottle Drive



We, the Division 2 students of Khalsa School Calgary, are excited to announce a bottle drive to support the Calgary Humane Society! This is a wonderful Seva opportunity for our community to come together and make a positive impact on the lives of animals in need.

### How You Can Help:

**Collect Bottles:** Please collect any empty beverage containers (glass, plastic, and aluminum) that can be returned for a refund.

**Visit the Bottle Depot:** Once you have collected your bottles, take them to your nearest bottle depot.

**Send in Your Receipt:** After returning the bottles, please send the money you receive from the depot along with the receipt to school by January 15, 2025. If you have already sent the money and receipt on November 18, I sincerely thank you. You are welcome to continue the bottle drive until January, or I will count it towards your final contribution. You can place the cash and the receipt in an envelope labeled "Calgary Humane Society Donation."

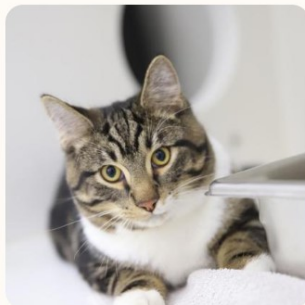
Your contributions will directly support the Calgary Humane Society, helping them continue their vital work in rescuing and caring for animals in our community.

Thank you for your support!



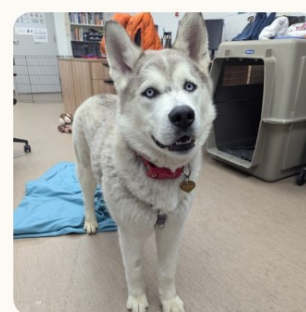
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**Age:** unknown  
**Sex:** female  
**Breed:** Holland Lop



**Farkle**

**Animal ID:** 2000215162  
**Age:** 10 months  
**Sex:** male  
**Breed:** Domestic Shorthair



**O'Connor**

**Animal ID:** 2000210566  
**Age:** 6 months  
**Sex:** male  
**Breed:** Siberian Husky

## Science Fair



Khalsa School Calgary will be holding its annual Science Fair from Jan 28th to 29th for division II and III students. The selected students from grade 4 to 9 will be showcasing their experimental, research, and innovation 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 20 - Jan 24**. The top five projects will be selected by their teacher to go for further judging. Students who are not present for their science fair presentation will be disqualified from getting an award. If such unfavourable circumstances arise that the student is not able to present during the week of Jan 20 to Jan 24, they will need to make arrangements with their science teacher to present at another time.

**Stage Two** - Top five projects from each class will get judged digitally during the Science Fair scheduled on **Jan 28th and Jan 29th**. We will have a team of teachers and volunteers with science backgrounds to judge these projects.

Judging Date	Classes
Jan 28	Grade 9A, 9B, 8A, 8B, 7A, 7B and 7C
Jan 29	Grade 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 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 10th to 12th**. Students will make trifolds upon reaching this stage. As we have a limited quota, only four projects can be nominated from grade 5 and 6, and five 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, 2025.

**Plagiarism and AI-generated work** - All projects that are plagiarised will be **disqualified** from entering CYSF and stage 2 of the judging processes. **We remind students to give proper credit to outside resources used in their projects. Failure to do so will lead to project disqualification. Students will also receive a zero grade for AI-generated or plagiarized work.**



## Science Fair



**Science Fair Participation** - Participation in the science fair is **mandatory** by all students from grades 4-9. If a student is leaving for an extended absence that will extend into the later weeks of January, it is expected that the student complete their science fair project beforehand and submit it to their science teacher prior to the winter break.

**Science Fair Safety guidelines** -Students are expected to follow safety guidelines that have been communicated by their science teachers when conducting experiments. **If students are using any of the materials causing concerns of General/ Fire/ Chemical /Electrical / Biological/ Radiation safety, They will need to take permission from CYSF. In such cases students need to inform their science teacher beforehand so that they can guide students through the process to get permission from CYSF if applicable.**



**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 7** - CYSF Project registration will close

**March 21** - CYSF Online Projects must be complete and students will lose access to their projects for editing

**April 10** - CYSF Project Set-Up (Trifold set up, no experiment set up)

**April 11** - CYSF Judging Day

**April 12** - CYSF Medal and Award Ceremony

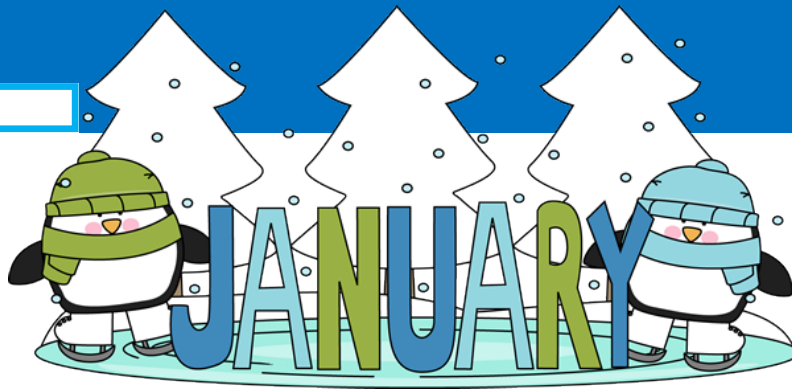
Please do not hesitate to contact your child's science teacher if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your support in nurturing your child's love for science.

Best wishes,

**KSC Science Fair Committee**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Gur Gaddi-Guru Gobind Singh Sahib Ji	5 Parent-Teacher Conferences  3:30pm - 7:30pm  <b>(No classes)</b>	6 Parent-Teacher Conferences  8:10 am - 12:00pm  <b>(No classes)</b>  Shaheedi-Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji	7
8	9 Ugly Christmas Sweater Day	10 Holiday Formal Day  <i>Papa John's Pizza Lunch for those who have ordered</i>	11 Bana Day  Char Sahibzaade Assembly	12 Pajama Day	13 Red & Green Day  Division 1 Holiday Concert 10:00am- 12:00pm  Last Day of Classes before Winter Break Half Day of School  Dismissal at 12:00pm	14 Birth—Sahibzada Baba Zorawar Singh Ji
15	16 ←	17	18 Winter Break!!!	19 →	20	21
22 Shaheedi- Sahibzada Baba Ajit Singh Ji  Shaheedi- Sahibzada Baba Jujhar Singh Ji	23 ←	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27 Shaheedi Baba Zorawar Singh Ji  Baba Fateh Singh Ji	28
29	30 ←	31 New Year's Eve	Winter Break!!!	→		



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> New Year's Day Winter Break!!!	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Winter Break!!!	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Classes Resume	<b>14</b> Celebration Foundation Stone of Sachkhand Sri Harimandir Sahib	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
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<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Science Fair (Div. 3)	<b>29</b> Science Fair (Div. 2)	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Casual Day Term 1 Reports Go Home	