

KSC Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Khalsa School Calgary Families,

On behalf of the staff and Board of Khalsa School Calgary, we are pleased to welcome all of our families to a new school year! We hope everyone enjoyed a safe, relaxing, and memorable summer. We are excited to welcome our students back and look forward to a wonderful year of learning, growth, and success.

Starting the school day on time helps students settle in, participate in morning routines, and begin their learning with confidence. When students arrive late, it can be disruptive to both their own learning and the classroom environment. We kindly ask families to plan ahead and ensure that students arrive at school by **8:00 a.m.**

Our dismissal times will remain unchanged from previous years:

- **2:45 p.m.** – Division 1 (Kindergarten–Grade 3), along with their siblings in Grades 4–9
- **3:00 p.m.** – Divisions 2 and 3 (Grades 4–9), as well as all bus students

We ask parents and guardians to please arrive promptly at their child's designated dismissal time. If your child is dismissed at **3:00 p.m.**, please do not enter the parking lot before that time. Arriving right at 3:00 p.m. will help us maintain a safe and efficient dismissal process for everyone.

If your child needs to be picked up early, please notify the school office **no later than 1:00 p.m. on the day of early pick up.**

School uniforms play an important role in promoting a sense of pride, responsibility, and a positive school environment. All students are expected to wear their **complete school uniform, including black indoor shoes, every Monday.** Full uniform will also be required for special events, including **award ceremonies and school picture days.** Families will receive advance notice by email when full uniform is required for these occasions.

Please be aware that our uniform expectations will be **strictly enforced** throughout the school year. Students who do not meet the uniform requirements may receive a uniform infraction. We appreciate parents' cooperation in ensuring that students come to school appropriately dressed and prepared each day.

Open and respectful communication is essential in supporting student success. If you have a question or concern regarding your child, the **classroom teacher should be your first point of contact.** Teachers can be contacted before or after school through the main office or by using their school email.

Please keep in mind that teachers are not available to respond to parent inquiries while they are teaching. There will also be scheduled opportunities throughout the year for parents and teachers to meet during **parent-teacher conferences.**

Since **September 1, 2024**, Alberta schools have been required to follow personal device policies in accordance with the provincial ministerial order. Our existing school policies already align with many of these expectations. Students are asked **not to bring cell phones to school.** We appreciate your cooperation in supporting a focused learning environment and helping students make the most of their time at school.

Thank you for your continued trust, cooperation, and support. We are grateful to have you as part of the Khalsa School Calgary community and look forward to working together to make the **2026–27 school year** a safe, positive, and successful one for all of our students.

Welcome back, and best wishes for a fantastic school year!

Best regards, Mrs. H. Gill

Leave A Legacy– Thursday, September 10th (div 2 only) and Friday, September 11th (div 1 and 2)

We're excited to kick off the new school year with our annual Leave A Legacy Day! This special tradition brings our KSC students (K–6) together to celebrate friendships, welcome new classmates, and show our school pride. This year's event will be packed with special guests, fun entertainment, and engaging activities—all to make sure our students enjoy an unforgettable start to the year!



***SCHOOL* Picture Day- Tuesday, September 15th**

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All students are required to dress in their complete uniform, including ties and sweater vests. These pictures will include both class pictures and individual photos.

Terry Fox Run - Friday, September 18th

Khalsa School Calgary will proudly take part in the Terry Fox School Run this September, joining millions of Canadians in continuing Terry's fight against cancer. More details will be shared by our Terry Fox Committee later this month, so stay tuned! On run day, students are encouraged to come dressed in comfortable, active wear.



Meet and Greet - Friday, September 25th (No Classes)

We are excited to invite all Khalsa School Calgary families to our Teacher Meet & Greet! This special day gives parents and students the opportunity to connect with teachers, explore classrooms, and learn more about the year ahead. More information will be coming your way about this day later in the month.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Tuesday, September 30th (No Classes)

Each year, September 30th marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Khalsa School Calgary will be closed on this day, as we all are encouraged to use September 30th as a day to reflect on reconciliation and to recognize the legacy of residential schools. September 29th, KSC will honor Every Child Matters and Orange Shirt Day, our students will learn about the history of residential schools.



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REMINDERS

Parking



The safety of the students is a priority! When dropping off picking up your child please be mindful of your speed in the parking lot. Do not walk in the center of the parking lot as cars backing up may not see you or your child. Please do not stop your vehicle at the cross walk to drop off your child. Please ensure you are parking properly in the stalls allow space for other cars parking beside you. Your coop-

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The parking lot at the front of the school is for staff and bus access only. Parents, please refrain from entering the front parking lot between the hours of 7:30-8:15am and 2:30-3:30pm.

Nut Free Policy

Please note that we have several students and staff at Khalsa School Calgary who have severe food allergies to peanuts and nuts. It is important that there is a strict avoidance to prevent a life-threatening allergic reaction. We are asking for your help to provide all our students and staff with a safe school environment. To help reduce the chance of a life-threatening allergic reaction from occurring, we ask that you do not send your child to school with products containing **peanuts or nuts**.



The best way to determine if snacks are allergy-free is to read the label. Be aware of phrases like this: "May Contain Peanut or Tree Nuts." "Processed on shared equipment with Peanuts or Tree Nuts." "Manufactured in a plant with Peanut or Tree Nuts." "Contains Peanut or Tree Nut Ingredients."

Switching Homerooms

Teachers have worked diligently to prepare for their students and classes are well underway. Class lists have been finalized and no changes to homerooms will be accepted.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Prakash Utsav - Guru Granth Sahib installed at Golden Temple	2 All KG students present for classes	3	4 Bana Day	5
6	7 Labour Day School Closed	8	9	10 Leave A Legacy Day for Div 2	11 Leave A Legacy Day for Div 1 & 2	12
13	14 Full uniform	15 School Picture Day Full Uniform	16 Joti Jot - Guru Ram Das (4th Guru) Gur Gadi - Guru Ar- jan Dev (5th Guru)	17	18 Terry Fox Run Casual Day Gur Gadi - Guru Angad (2nd Guru)	19
20	21 Full uniform	22 Joti Jot - Guru Nanak Dev Ji (1st Guru)	23	24	25 Meet the teacher Day	26
27	28 Full uniform	29 Orange Shirt Day	30 National Day for Truth and Recon- ciliation School Closed			