

ON-GOING EVENTS

Theatre Workshops

Drama workshops with Sherry Lee Hunter are from 1-3 on Thursdays.

Art Workshops

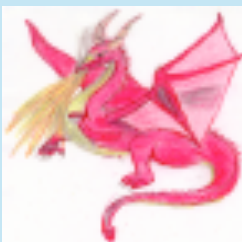
Patrick Burgomaster holds workshops weekly every Wednesday from 1-3. All are invited to attend.

PE Fitness Classes

Crystal MacDonald teaches yoga Tuesdays and Fridays from 1-2.

Mindfulness Awareness Training Workshops

Ms. Rina Otero teaches workshops in Mindfulness Awareness Training Tuesdays and Fridays 2-3. All are welcome.



**KVA Mascot
by Kieren Sainney**

WHAT'S NEW

Swan Lake Ballet

On April 7 at 10:30 a.m. KVA students are attending the Swan Lake Ballet at the Rebecca Cohn Theatre. If you would like to join us please let KVA know asap as reservations are required. The cost is \$15 per person.



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Easter Friday and Monday

April 14 and 17, KVA will be closed.

UPCOMING DATES

May 5-7 (Tentative)

9th Grade Cape Breton Field Trip

May 16 + 18

Language Finals – French

May 22

Victoria Day (no classes)

May 23-26

Final Exams

May 26

Prom

May 29-May 31

Camp Mush-A-Mush

School Field Trip

June 1

Report Cards & Yearbook 9-11

June 2

Graduation & Awards Ceremony 2-4

KVA's New Principal

Dr. Derek MacDonald

Dr. Derek MacDonald is a versatile educator that believes deeply in empowering students in their own learning. He also believes that the most effective learners are self-directed. "A student flourishes working towards an independent curriculum designed to meet that student's goals."

Dr. MacDonald has taught virtually all levels of students including P-12 (public and private schools) as well as undergraduate and graduate university students. He has taught all P-12 subjects in addition to University Statistics, Curriculum Studies, Technology Integration into Education, and Philosophy of Education. He continues to do research in the areas of learning and how youth create meaning.

His credentials include Bachelor of Science (Mathematics) and Bachelor of Education (Secondary) from the Memorial University of Newfoundland, Master of Information Technology Education from Dalhousie University, and Doctor of Philosophy (Adult Education) from the University of Georgia. He also holds an ATC2 Nova Scotia Teaching Certificate and has been a member of Mensa since he was 12 years of age.

When not in school he spends time with family, enjoys tuba, soccer, and renovating his home. He will officially come on board June 2.

Ms. Otero will work closely with Dr. MacDonald and officially take her seat as the Gold Lake Director, continuing to work with Teacher Training, Curriculum Development and Student Evaluation. A reception will be held later in the year to officially welcome Dr. MacDonald as KVA's new Principal.