



Summer 2011

Dear Friends:

It is our pleasure to welcome and thank you for registering your child(ren) for science camp with Central Okanagan Science Opportunities for Kids. We have some wonderful plans in store for our summer campers this year and we eagerly anticipate making your acquaintance as well! This year, SOKS has two unique themes that alternate each week. In 2010, we are featuring **Goo and Glow Sticks** and **CSI and NOVA**. In 2011, the SOKS science facilitators have a wide range of knowledge and backgrounds in science and education. You may have met them at your school or community special events.

This will be another dynamic summer of activities planned by your 2011 camp facilitators. This year, the SOKS team includes Wyatt Klopp, a BSc graduate going on to do his MSc in Plant Science at UNBC. Jessica Scott and Ashley Greenslade are both students UBC O with a keen interest in science and education.



This year we are pleased to be able to offer camps at the Waldorf School at 429 Collett Road in the Mission. *The Waldorf approach works from the inside out, focusing on giving children a deep confidence in their own learning process, and having a deep sense of wonder and respect for life and learning.* We are pleased to have the opportunity to use the school facilities.

We will have a weekly camp bulletin ready for you on the first day of camp for any last minute changes. All waivers, as well as a map to our field day location are available online at www.soks.ca/camps.html. Please bring all the waivers to the first day of camp. If someone else is bringing your child to camp, ensure that the forms are with them. If you have problems during the week, make sure you speak with one of our facilitators and they should be able to help you out. Our office contact number is 763-4427.

On field days, please send your campers with sun hats or rain gear depending on the weather, good sturdy shoes and lots to drink. Snacks for juniors and lunches for seniors are a requirement everyday. Try to be punctual or even a little early for the start of the camp day, particularly the first day. Please note that all campers need to bring their own snacks or lunches.

We look forward to meeting you and your children

Jennifer French, Jessica Scott, Wyatt Klopp and Ashley Greenslade

More information about

Goo and Glow Stick

These camps are an ultimate adventure in chemistry using both home and laboratory grade chemicals under the watchful eyes of Jessica, Ashley and Wyatt who all have laboratory experience at UBCO. We will explore polymers and plastic and find out about Exothermic and Endothermic reactions. We will watch the Flaming Dollar bill combust and see what else we can concoct that is effervescent and loaded with dynamic reactions.



CSI and NOVA

CSI stands for Citizen Science Investigates . Campers will define what they need to investigate and undertake a week of sleuthing and mystery solving.....



Come and meet our staff at the Kelowna Farmers and Crafters Market every Saturday in June



NOVA stands for New Observers of Visual Astronomy

This program is a series of activities delivered by the Central Okanagan branch of The Royal Astronomical Society and designed with youth in mind



Each week we will visit a park or nature sanctuary for at least one entire camp day . Make sure to bring your campers ready to observe and study ecology and all the secrets of wildlife surviving in the Okanagan. Maps will be available for you to follow to the drop off on that day