

JQ eNews - 2024.01.12

JQ eNews, including information about school procedures, activities and events is emailed to families every week. Please also visit the VSB website¹ and the JQ school website² for information regarding district and school events.

¹https://www.vsb.bc.ca/ ²https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel



Safe Arrival and Reporting Student Absences

To report your child's absence, please call **604-713-5159**, **Ext. 39**, prior to 9:00 am on the first day of the absence. Parents can also email JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca³ to report student absences.

If your child arrives late to school, they should report to the office and sign-in.

If you are picking up a student for an appointment during the day, please email JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca⁴ 24 hours in advance as well as emailing the classroom teacher. Please allow extra time for pick-up. If possible, we suggest picking up your child at the beginning or end of one of the breaks in order to minimize classroom disruptions.

- Recess Break: 10:40 11:00 am
- Lunch Break: 12:10 12:57 pm

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School Parking Lot - new parking rates in effect

We would like to advise the community that the school parking lot will be for the exclusive use of school staff from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm on school days, and during any special school events, as needed. The lot is now a Public Pay Parking lot between the hours of 4:00 pm and 7:00 am during school days and 24 hours a day on non-school days. It will be operated by EasyPark, a not-for-profit arm of the City of Vancouver.

The parking rate will be \$1 per hour with a daily maximum of \$6. On school days, the daily rate is for 4:00 pm until 7:00 am. On all other days, the daily rate is from 7:00 am until 7:00 am the following day.

Lord Byng Secondary School will be implementing the exact same system at the same time.

Patrons of Lord Byng Pool & Fitness Centre will be unable to park in the school lot during school hours but can purchase parking at all other times at the rates above.

If you have any questions, you can call Liam Coughlan at 604-713-5712.

Professional Development Day - Mon. January 29th

The next Professional Development Day will be held on **Monday, January 29th**. Please note that this is not a district-wide Pro-D.

Notification of school closure due to inclement weather



Notification of school closure due to weather: The VSB will post information about snow closure on its website by 6 am at www.vsb.bc.ca⁵ and will inform local media stations, including:

- · CKNW (980 AM)
- · CBC (690 AM, 105.7 FM)
- · CJVB (1470 AM)
- · CFHG (96.1 FM)
- ⁵<u>http://www.vsb.bc.ca/</u>

- · CKWX (1130 AM)
- · BCTV/Global (Cable channel 11)
- · CITY TV (Cable channel 13)

Parents and caring adults should not call media outlets to ask whether schools are closed.

Dress for cold weather



A reminder to please have your children dress for cold weather. Winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots are recommended. It is especially important to be dressed warmly in case of any emergency requiring the evacuation of the school and assembly outside for a duration of time.

French Immersion Kindergarten Information Evening

A virtual meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 16th** from 6:00 to 6:45 pm.

This session is aimed at families who are new to the Early French Immersion Program.

Click here ⁶for a link to the Teams Meeting.

⁶https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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French Immersion Kindergarten Siblings entering in September 2024

A reminder for families with a younger sibling entering Kindergarten this coming September, that after applying to your English catchment school, the last step is to register for a Choice Program between **now and February 2nd at 4 pm** at the following link: <u>https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/</u>

All JQ siblings are in priority group #1. The school will officially confirm your child's spot in late February once the VSB lottery has taken place.

Please call or email Liz in the Office if you require assistance.

Grade 1 Sibling(s) entering in September

Any families who may have a sibling who will enter grade 1 in September 2024, please notify the office. Grade 1 siblings receive priority registration provided they register before **January 31, 2024**.

Current Kindergarten students do not need to re-register for Grade 1 and will automatically move to that grade.

Notice of Bus Stop Improvements Construction

The school has been notified by the City of Vancouver that some bus stop improvements are expected to start in January 2024 in the neighbourhood and will take up to two weeks to complete depending on site conditions and weather. There may be road, parking and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work zone. There may also be other temporary inconveniences such as noise, dust and minor disruptions to traffic and parking.

JQ PAC Updates



Extra-Curricular Programs

Get back into a routine this Winter with these fun activities

Minimakers – Monday – Spots available⁷, starts Jan 15th. No class on Jan. 29th.

Young Rembrandts – Wednesdays – Spots available⁸ for Grades 2 – 6, starts Jan 24th.

⁷https://minimakers.ca/ecole-jules-quesnel/

Yoga Buggy – Thursdays – spots offered and registration complete, starts Jan 18th.

HappyFeet Soccer – Fridays – Full.

Questions about these programs? Contact jqexcurricular@gmail.com⁹

PAC General Meeting - Wed. Jan. 24

The next PAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 24th at 6:30 pm. Link and details to be provided in next week's E-News.

⁸https://campscui.active.com/orgs/YoungRembrandtsMetroVancouver?e4q=1c828dca-897a-4663-ad49-4b1b0a789ff9&e4p=e8e91949-9793-446d-b9a5ac9f0a9b562e&e4ts=1704921996&e4c=active&e4e=snlvcmpscui00001load&e4rt=Safetynet&e4h=1dfdccff40f2e63 2bdac09399810928e#/selectSessions/3416639/filter/session=61192239 9mailto:jqexcurricular@gmail.com

Hot Lunch & Pizza Days



A very big 'THANK YOU' to those families who have been placing orders and supporting our fundraising for this year's Grade 7 trip!

Ordering for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days is ongoing through our user-friendly online ordering platform www.munchalunch.com¹⁰. Hot Lunch days are **Tuesdays and Thursdays**, supplied by Calhoun's Catering. Pizza Days are on **Fridays**, supplied by Dominos.

For your convenience, the ordering deadline for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days **is the day before at 8 am**. You may place orders for as many hot lunch and pizza dates as you like at one time. Order once and it's done!

¹⁰<u>https://www.munchalunch.com</u>

We are pleased that meals provided by our new Hot Lunch vendor for this year have been getting very positive reviews. The food is high quality, and there are a wide variety of menu items to choose from, including many vegetarian options. And, as an added feature, a number of meals are customizable to your child's appetite! Go to munchalunch.com/schools/julesquesnel to take a look at our menu offerings and to get ordering! Your child will thank you:-)

Sincerely,

Adrienne Lipson

Hot Lunch Coordinator

PS: If you have any questions about Hot Lunch or Pizza Day, or need any assistance, please email jqgradeseven2024@gmail.com. Please do not contact MunchaLunch support directly - the JQ Hot Lunch Coordinator can help with any MunchaLunch issues.

NOTE: PLEASE SUPPLY YOUR CHILD WITH CUTLERY ON HOTLUNCH DAYS

Superbes Artistes & Photographes

The theme for the SAP contest for the month of December and January will be "Winter Wonder - what do you like about this season?/ Magie de l'hiver - qu'est-ce que tu aimes dans cette saison?" Please share the theme with your children. The deadline is **Feb 1, 2024**, and we cannot wait to see your photo or artwork. Amusez-vous bien!

We ask that interested students and families work on their projects/photos at home, and submit them here https://jqpac.com/sap-contest/

To respect the privacy of our students, please provide only the student's first name and no images of your children.

Community Links

See below for information regarding community activities, events and programs.

Split Second Basketball Saturday Competition and Games (Grades 3-6) at VTT

Use DISCOUNT CODE: SAT50% to save 50% and register here¹¹.

¹¹<u>https://splitsecondbasketball.leagueapps.com/camps/4091456-boys-only-saturday-competition-and-games-grade-3-6-</u>

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School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



Check the JQ school website calendar¹² for upcoming school events, and the JQ Elementary Calendar 2023-2024¹³ for a quick overview of this school year's important, pro d and non-instructional dates.

Monday, January 29, 2024 - Flexible pro d day date set by school. No school for students.

¹²<u>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview</u>

¹³https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-elementary-calendar-2023-2024.29f94568110.pdf

Thank you for reading!

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