



JQ eNews - 2024.01.26

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.

¹<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/>

²<https://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

Professional Development Day - Mon. January 29th

A reminder that this coming **Monday, January 29th** will be a Professional Development Day. Please note that this is not a district-wide Pro-D.

³<mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

⁴<mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

Appointments during the school day

When possible, it would be much appreciated if parents could give advance notice of appointments during the school day so that we are quickly able to locate your child for pick-up. Students may be in either the classroom, gym, library or with a buddy class so a heads-up is very helpful. Thank you.

JQ Code of Conduct and School Slogan

The JQ Code of Conduct and School Slogan are posted [HERE⁵](#) on the school website.

The School Slogan:

Sécuritaire (**S**afe)

Unique et unie (**U**nique and united)

Poli/e et positif(ve) (**P**olite and positive)

Empathique (**E**mpathetic)

Respectueux/euse (**R**espectful)

is meant to be an easy way for students to remember behaviour expectations at school.

Please review the Code of Conduct and School Slogan with your child.

Burnaby Education Assistant Program information

The Vancouver School District partners with the Burnaby School District to offer a 6 month Education Assistant program. Details for the next EA cohort beginning in April 2024 can be found below. Many graduates from this program eventually work as SSAs in Vancouver schools.

This program is accepting applications for the next EA cohort. The program is 6 months in duration and includes 2 practicums.

<http://www.burnabyce.ca/courses/education-assistant-diploma/>

⁵<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2251/code-of-conduct>

Dress for rainy weather



An atmospheric river is in the forecast for the new few days. Please send your child to school with a waterproof jacket and rainboots or appropriate footwear. We also recommend that your child has a spare set of clothes in the classroom, especially for primary grades.

Write your child's name on their clothing and belongings

Please write your child's name on coats, toques, gloves/mittens, lunch bags, water bottles and other items they bring to school. Fewer items end up in the lost and found if they're labeled with a name and can be returned to their owner.

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: <https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/>

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.

Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities



SAFER
SCHOOLS
TOGETHER

In partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, Safer Schools Together will be offering training sessions designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world throughout the coming months.

Please use the following link for more information and to register: erase Family Sessions (saferschoolstogether.com)⁶

⁶https://d2nj8J04.na1.hs-sales-engage.com/Ctc/OR+23284/d2nj8J04/Jl22-6qcW7lCdLW6lZ3pDW7FbDF-74CfW_W6DFnw479dzG1W7QkMFk63LqSsW5THvFS8QsxvIW4BY_v-7Pg1LgW8NjdtP7Nd7NpW14XgCw7L2-8fMF3-n8wGPW7W2mk6vj8_sPc5W4-fZYN1l6MdBW8Pc4wG2vVB6-W8mGFK03ndwtjN1KM-J8G_SpPw3wpR_D86DC8hW8Y7bJ-69vr5sN40ylCqBTmFhW51jRzt4Zgz9sMQptBJX8fZDW8mnHr878TfrMN3hLfV1y0HJ3W8wD0Qt4x768sW531fQ-7sRP-0W93MtdT156yXvW4dZsMt7Jn1KZf8MhIP-04

Scholastic Book Fair - Feb 14 & 15

During the Celebration of Learning at Jules Quesnel (Feb 12 to 15) I will be hosting our annual Scholastic Book Fair, selling both English and French books. This year, as an act of solidarity, the rewards points collected from the amount of money raised will be shared with another elementary school near the Downtown Eastside. Thank you for supporting our Book Sale! Your purchases will contribute to new books for many readers!

If anyone would like to volunteer to help out at the Book Fair, please contact Mme Brigitte (battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca).

Brigitte Attali-Netherton, M.Ed

(she-her)

Enseignante Bibliothécaire - Teacher Librarian

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.

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

HappyFeet Soccer – Fridays – Full.

Questions about these programs? Contact jqexcurricular@gmail.com⁹

⁷<https://minimakers.ca/ecole-jules-guesnel/>

⁸<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/YoungRembrandtsMetroVancouver?e4q=1c828dca-897a-4663-ad49-4b1b0a789ff9&e4p=e8e91949-9793-446d-b9a5-ac9f0a9b562e&e4ts=1704921996&e4c=active&e4e=snlycmpscui00001load&e4rt=Safetynet&e4h=1dfdccff40f2e632bdac09399810928e#/selectSessions/3416639/filter/session=61192239>

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Hot Lunch & Pizza Days



HOT LUNCH & PIZZA DAYS UPDATE! WINTER SESSION IS OPEN!

Dear JQ families - The Winter 2024 Hot Lunch session is **OPEN** for ordering! Hot Lunch days are still Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pizza Days continue to be on Fridays. The deadline for ordering is still 8 am the day before.

Ordering for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days is ongoing through our user-friendly online ordering platform www.munchalunch.com¹⁰

¹⁰<https://www.munchalunch.com>

Go to munchalunch.com/schools/julesquesnel to take a look at our menu offerings and to get ordering!
Your child will thank you:-)

We ask that you please do not send your child to school without lunch if you are unsure that you have ordered for that particular day - we are seeing an increase in the number of kids who come to school on hot lunch or pizza days without lunch and without an order placed.

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 HOT LUNCH 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.

Thank you from Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary

Jules Quesnel PAC received a thank you card for the gifts received over the festive season:

"On behalf of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau community, I would like to extend our appreciation for your support and kindness towards our families. You created many smiles during the holiday season."

Jim Munk

Principal

Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary

Community Links

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

ICORD Special Event



Register to come to ICORD's Celebration of Women & Girls in Science

BSCC, February 9

On **Friday February 9**, ICORD will celebrate the **UN International Day for Women & Girls in Science**.

Researchers and students (of all ages and genders!) are invited to celebrate women and girls in science, enjoy light refreshments, and have the chance to learn about:

- support and mentorship for women already established in STEM fields
- support and mentorship for women and girls studying to enter STEM fields
- encouragement and inspiration for women and girls thinking about getting into STEM

Free! Bring your kids/young friends! Click here to register.¹¹

Fire & Flower's Spring Break Empowerment Camps - Girls & Non-Binary Youth Ages 10-12

Fire & Flower empowers self-identified girls and non-binary youth in their incredible transition or rite of passage into adolescence. Through mentorship, nature connection, and community-building, we create a space of radical acceptance for youth to know how amazing they are, just as they are. Participants are equipped with the mindset, tools, and friendships to confidently move into their next life stage. This is a LGBTQ2SIAP+ inclusive space, and a space where we honour each other's ancestries.

Throughout the week, we explore relevant topics about growing up and integrate the learning with invigorating nature time, crafts, and games. Topics include positive body image, media literacy, physical changes including menstruation, friendships, and stress & anxiety. A parent/caregiver/special adult is invited to join us on Friday afternoon for some facilitated quality time with their child. Major bursaries available.

¹¹<https://icord.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=84f7b343f673175c933d8ead1&id=9d459b1ff8&e=b38caa8963>

For more info & registration: <https://fireandflowergirls.org>¹²

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

Use DISCOUNT CODE: SAT50% to save 50% and register here¹³.

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



Check the JQ school website calendar¹⁴ for upcoming school events, and the JQ Elementary Calendar 2023-2024¹⁵ 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

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - Early Dismissal at 2 pm for Conferences

Thursday, February 15, 2024 - Early Dismissal at 2 pm for Conferences

Wednesday, February 28, 2024 - Pink Shirt Day

¹²<https://fireandflowergirls.org/>

¹³<https://splitsecondbasketball.leagueapps.com/camps/4091456-boys-only-saturday-competition-and-games-grade-3-6->

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¹⁴<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview>

¹⁵<https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-elementary-calendar-2023-2024.29f94568110.pdf>

Thank you for reading!

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¹⁶<mailto:studentrecordsquesnel@vsb.bc.ca>