



## JQ eNews - 2024.04.26

JQ eNews, including information about school procedures, activities and events is emailed to families every week. Please also visit the VSB website<sup>1</sup> and the JQ school website<sup>2</sup> for information regarding district and school events.

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.vsb.bc.ca/>

<sup>2</sup><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.ca](mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca)<sup>3</sup> 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.ca](mailto:jquattendance@vsb.bc.ca) 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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## Big One at Two Earthquake Drill



On **Thursday, May 2nd**, the Vancouver School Board will hold its annual district-wide earthquake drill.

After drop, cover and hold in the classroom, students will exit the building and assemble on the school playing field along with students from Lord Byng Secondary. Please ensure that your children are dressed for the weather as we anticipate being on the field until the end of the day. Thank you to parents who have volunteered to participate in the Family Reunification drill.

**Please note that if you need to pick up your child early for an appointment next Thursday, please arrange to collect your child prior to 1:50 pm. After that time, we can only release students following emergency release procedures. Thank you.**

## Track and Field Practice



Below is further information on Track and Field at JQ this year. The practices will run Tuesday-Friday, beginning April 24th Wednesday (tomorrow).

**Where:** Camosun Park Field on West 16th Avenue (next to Queen Elizabeth Elementary)

**When:** 8:00-8:45 am

**Who:** Grades 3 to 7

Mini-Meets at Camosun from 3:30 pm until 5:00 pm

Juniors (Gr. 3 to 5)                      May 9th and May 15th

Seniors (Gr. 6 & 7)                      May 7th and May 13th

Finals at Camosun May 22nd, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

(Junior meet from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. and Senior meet from 1:00 p.m. until 3:30 pm. Number of runners in the 600m for Juniors and 800m for Seniors will be limited to three girls and boys per school per grade.

Parents are responsible for getting their children to and from practices as well as to and from the meets.

**Detailed information on mini-meets and finals are** [here](#).<sup>4</sup>

Also see PAC message for volunteers at the practices and meets.

## The 13th Vault Bracelet Sale!

**Join us at Byng after school on Tuesday, May 7th for The 13th Vault Bracelet Sale!**

The 13th Vault, a nonprofit initiative founded by Angela and Tia as part of their Capstone project, is dedicated to selling handmade jewelry inspired by Taylor Swift, from pre-made friendship bracelets to

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custom pieces. Beyond bringing the Swiftie community together, our mission is to provide affordable, adorable jewelry for all, with proceeds donated to charities. Bracelets will be \$2-3 each, so bring your friends and support The 13th Vault!

**Dress for the weather**



A reminder to send your children dressed in appropriate clothing to enjoy fresh air and play outdoors at least twice daily. As the rainy weather is expected to continue next week, we suggest sending your child(ren) with a rain jacket and water-resistant footwear. A set of extra clothing to keep in the classroom is also recommended in case of falls and mishaps in puddles.

## Lost and Found



The lost and found is filling up again. If you see anything that belongs to your child in the photos below, please come pick it up.



## VSB Summer Learning 2024

Elementary Program Registration begins on April 24, 2024 at noon.

Secondary Program Registration begins on May 1, 2024 at noon.

For more information, please go to: [summerreg.vsb.bc.ca](http://summerreg.vsb.bc.ca)

### Curling



Our students are enjoying curling with Rocks & Rinks and will have three more days of lessons next week.

## Immunization Notice & Clinic - Gr 6 - May 10th



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The Immunization Clinic will be held on the morning of **Friday, May 10th**.

Important tips are: Eat a good healthy breakfast, wear a sleeveless or short sleeve shirt, practice relaxation techniques. For any questions, please contact Pacific Spirit Health Clinic, at 604-261-6366.

## Will your child be returning to Jules Quesnel in September 2024?

In order for the VSB to plan staffing and class size organization for next year, could you kindly let us know as soon as possible if your child will **NOT** be returning to JQ in September 2024.

**If your child will be returning, NO ACTION is required on your part** and your child will automatically move to the next grade.

If you are unsure, any information you can provide the school would be most helpful. Thank you.

## Upcoming Dates in May



**Wednesday, May 1 - PAC General Meeting at 6:30 pm (hybrid)**

Thursday, May 2 – District Wide Earthquake Drill – Big One at Two

**Monday, May 6 - Eco-Logical Show**

Tuesday, May 7 - Track & Field Mini-Meet for grades 6 and 7 - Camosun

**Thursday, May 9 - Track & Field Mini-Meet for grades 3, 4 and 5 - Camosun**

Friday, May 10 – Immunization Clinic - am

**Monday, May 13 - Track & Field Mini-Meet for grades 6 and 7 - Camosun**

Wednesday, May 15 - Track & Field Mini-Meet for grades 3, 4 and 5 - Camosun

**Monday, May 20 – Statutory Holiday – Victoria Day**

Wednesday, May 22 - Track & Field Final Meet - Camosun: am- grades 3, 4, 5; pm - grades 6 & 7

**Friday, May 24 – Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation Sessions**

## JQ PAC Updates



### PAC Meeting - Wednesday, May 1st



As a reminder our April PAC Meeting has been moved from April 24, and will be on **May 1 at 6:30pm** in hybrid mode. If you would like to submit questions to the PAC meeting, including related to new business, we encourage you to submit them prior to our meeting. Please submit by Monday, April 29th at 11:59pm using this form<sup>5</sup>.

We will host guests from The Society for Children and Youth of BC (SCY) for a presentation on their Walking School Program<sup>6</sup>. Our aim is to bring this program to JQ.

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## Hot Lunch Coordinator Urgently Needed

We are urgently looking to fill the position of hot lunch coordinator. Please let the PAC know if you are interested: [jqpacexec@gmail.com](mailto:jqpacexec@gmail.com)<sup>7</sup>. If we do not fill the position by the end of May, our PAC will not be able to continue offering the hot lunch program Tuesday and Thursday. Multiple people can work together on the position. We hope you will consider this critical volunteer opportunity.

## Vancouver DPAC Event - Tuesday, May 7

An invitation from Vancouver DPAC:

Vancouver DPAC is proud to present an in-person parent education event. On May 7, we will have The Other People<sup>8</sup> present to our community at the Prince of Wales Secondary School Auditorium at 6:45 p.m. This is an opportunity to hear from a local group that represents the great diversity within our district. It will help us learn how bias and discrimination function and impact those affected by it, with the goal of fostering greater understanding and acceptance for everyone. We hope that you will join us for this important and informative event.

**What:** An in-person presentation from "The Other People" for the VSB Community. A free event with childcare provided for school-aged children.

**When:** Tuesday, May 7, 2024, doors open at 6:30 PM presentation starts at 6:45 PM,

**Where:** Prince of Wales Secondary Auditorium, 2250 Eddington Drive, Vancouver

This is first in-person event Vancouver DPAC has held in a few years. We hope to see you there, and will be able to plan more of these events if we see that these opportunities are welcome.

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## Carnaval d'ete - Friday, June 7



**Save the date: Jules Quesnel's 2024 Carnaval d'été** 🎉

**When:** Friday June 7th 4:30pm onwards

**Where:** School field

Stay tuned for more information.

## Road Safety Updates



We are sending you an update on road safety at our school neighbourhood following the devastating incident involving a Lord Byng student. Over the last two months, the PACs at Lord Byng, JQ, and Queen Elizabeth Elementary (W16th Schools Safety Coalition) have been collaborating to advocate for significant, and long term changes along 16th avenue stretch shared by our schools, and the neighbouring areas. We have also been seeking inputs from Vision Zero Vancouver, traffic advisories from DPAC, and Vancouver Coastal Health. We thank the JQ community for all the inputs provided.

The school coalition has put together this briefing piece for advocacy purposes with all relevant information. Please do take a look. Briefing Paper: W 16th Ave Schools Safety Coalition<sup>9</sup> The social media page for the coalition is here<sup>10</sup>. In addition, our JQ PAC Safety coordinators, Risa Sargent and Miranda Holmes had written to the City of Vancouver (CoV) Traffic Engineering team stressing the need for more crossing time for pedestrians at 16th and Crown intersection. The CoV team has responded that they are planning to re-time the pedestrian phase at this specific intersection with an additional six-seconds to cross safely. This change is expected to be completed in 2024.

Finally, as was circulated by the school Principal last week, Mayor Ken Sim sent the following to our school community: Mayor's letter to JQ<sup>11</sup> with further safety measures near Lord Byng and JQ. We will keep you all updated on the above. If you have any questions or comments, please write to us by responding to this newsletter.

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<sup>9</sup>[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BQWP3fUqGp\\_ZaH8Q1-JsL2GKafpiC0i3/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1BQWP3fUqGp_ZaH8Q1-JsL2GKafpiC0i3/view?usp=sharing)

<sup>10</sup><https://twitter.com/16thavesafety>

<sup>11</sup>[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1S5jEC\\_HTNZriKXVM\\_PaSyRlgsdgQxzMV/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1S5jEC_HTNZriKXVM_PaSyRlgsdgQxzMV/view?usp=sharing)

## Active Transportation Survey

The PAC has designed a survey in an effort to understand transportation modes at JQ, and gather baseline data about how children are traveling to and from school. The survey also includes questions to gauge interest in participation in a walking school bus program. Your responses will greatly help us identify, collaborate, and create programs that support our JQ community. The survey should take about 5 minutes to complete. Survey Link<sup>12</sup> - we ask you to complete it by 22nd of April.

## JQ Hoodies Sale!

Exciting news that we are organizing a JQ Hoodies sale! They are available in Grey and Red colours in a variety of youth and adult sizes. The ordering details are in this form here<sup>13</sup>.

**Orders must be placed at the end-of-day April 30th.** Please write to us if you have any questions. Note that this is not a fundraiser.

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## Ultimate Frisbee Volunteers



While our school has a core group of coaches who will take the lead for practices, we would gladly welcome extra hands. If your child plans to be playing Ultimate Frisbee then this could be a great way to be even more involved. Please reach out to M. Ben Sankey ([bsankey@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:bsankey@vsb.bc.ca)<sup>14</sup>) should you be interested in helping out.

Practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the field behind our school between 3:15 and 4:30 pm, and the season will end the first week of June. No prior experience necessary. Adults who have not yet

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<sup>14</sup><mailto:bsankey@vsb.bc.ca>

volunteered with our school this year and would like to, will need to read, understand, and sign the school Volunteer Conduct Agreement.

## Track & Field Volunteers



We are also seeking parents/guardians to be volunteers for Track and Field Practices. More information on the season schedule will be out in the coming weeks.

Please note that for Track and Field practices to happen we would need volunteers. If you have experience in any of the following, please let us know: long jump, high jump, 100m sprint, 4x100m relay, 4x200 relay, 800 m (older kids), shot put. We are aiming to finalize the volunteers soon.

If you are interested in volunteering, or have questions, please write to Mme Aubry at [apetrick@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:apetrick@vsb.bc.ca)<sup>15</sup>. Hope many will be able to join, and make Track and Field a huge success.

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## JQ Class 2025



If your child will be entering Gr 7 in the next academic year (JQ class of 2025), could you please fill in the spreadsheet? [Link](#).<sup>16</sup> It will help connecting with the other Gr 7 families, and the PAC.

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## Volunteers Needed



**We are still asking for parent volunteers every Friday to help distribute pizza to the class rooms.** The time commitment is about 30 mins, between 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM. If you are free, please arrive at the Multi Purpose room (entrance by the staff parking), after presenting yourself to the Main office as a parent volunteer. Sign up in Friday Pizza volunteer sheet<sup>17</sup>, where you can also see future dates. It is a great opportunity to meet other parent/guardians at JQ, and your help will be VERY appreciated!

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## Hot Lunch & Pizza Days Update



Dear JQ families:

I would like to announce our new Pizza Day Coordinator - Sristy! Thank you very much, Sristy, for volunteering to take on this role! Sristy and I can be reached for any Hot lunch and Pizza Day inquiries at our new email address: [jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com](mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com), as the grade 7 class has completed their fundraising for the year. PROCEEDS FROM HOT LUNCH AND PIZZA DAYS WILL NOW GO TO OUR JQ PAC.

We are still asking for parent volunteers every Friday to help distribute pizza to the classrooms - we will send out the sign up sheet, but if you are free on a Friday, please feel free to show up in the Multipurpose Room at 11:30! We're usually done by noon, and your help will be VERY appreciated!

Spring 2024 will be the final Hot Lunch session of the school year, so please make sure to use up your credits before the end of June - there will be NO refunds at the end of the year.

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.com](http://www.munchalunch.com)<sup>18</sup>

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 us at our new address: [jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com](mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com)<sup>19</sup>

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

We are including the winter submissions by our students as a part of the Student Art & Photo/ Superbes Artistes & Photographes contest. A big thanks again to all the children and their families who submitted.

The five-winners for this round, which were all selected at random, are Adri, Alen, Audry, Leona, and Livia. Congratulations to the five! Be sure to check out their work below. The winners have been sent an email as a confirmation. All the submissions we received for the month are at the following link<sup>20</sup>.

The theme for the SAP contest for the month of March and April will be "The first signs of spring" "Les premiers signes du printemps." Please share this theme with your children. The deadline is **April 30, 2024**, and we cannot wait to receive your photo or artwork.

## PAC Newsletter

Are you receiving our JQ PAC newsletters? If you are not, and would like to, please subscribe directly at the following link: <http://eepurl.com/4Qp2f>

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<sup>18</sup><https://www.munchalunch.com>

<sup>19</sup><mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com>

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The JQ PAC website is [www.jqpac.com](http://www.jqpac.com)<sup>21</sup>. We aim to keep it up-to-date with the latest information, so it can once again be a resource for our community. Please email any comments to Simon, our treasurer and tech support: [jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com)<sup>22</sup>.

## Community Links

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

### Point Grey Village Mother's Day Spring Party



### Kitsilano Gymnastics Club

Kitsilano Gymnastics Inc. provides safe, fun and developmentally appropriate gymnastics instruction and programs to children and teenagers. All of the participants will be introduced to all of the gymnastics apparatus and learn the basic and advanced skills. Our coaches will ensure a safe and fun learning

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<sup>21</sup><http://www.jqpac.com/>

<sup>22</sup><mailto:jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com>

environment and at the same time offer a variety of exercises and gymnastic elements to suit every child's fitness level.

Website: [kitsilanogymnastics.ca](http://kitsilanogymnastics.ca)

Email: [kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca](mailto:kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca)<sup>23</sup>

Phone: 604-349-8167

## Quadra Daycare is Celebrating 50 Years!

Quadra Daycare is Celebrating 50 Years!

Open House Saturday, May 25, 2024, 12 - 4 PM

4315 W. 6th Avenue, Vancouver

Additional if space is available: Fun for all ages, with activities including face painting, balloon artistry, photos of Quadra through the ages, a 50/50 raffle, refreshments and of course, cake! Everyone is welcome.

## Architecture - French Summer Camps at Le Petit Architect's Studio

This summer, enroll your little architects into a fun-filled architecture camp filled with design thinking, problem solving, and learning about architecture through fun hands-on activities (electronics free)! Camps are in both French or English.

**Design a Dream Home Ages 7 yo 12 July 22 to July 26 Time: 9:30 am to 3:00 pm - \$460 plus fees**

**Create a Green City Ages 7 to 12 July 8 to July 12 Time: 9:30am to 3:00 pm - \$430.00 plus fees**

Address: 2490 West 37th Avenue, Vancouver.

Le Petit Architect also offers Spring classes and workshops, after-school programs, camps and birthdays.

For more information, please visit: [www.petitarchitect.com](http://www.petitarchitect.com)

## Royal Soccer Club

The Royal Soccer Club, a registered non-profit community organization, is proud to host their 32nd annual grassroots summer day camps. The program is designed to promote personal development, team building and of course, FUN! Uniquely designed to offer a more soccer focused morning with a leisure swim with other organized activities in the afternoon. The program operates during all weeks in

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<sup>23</sup><mailto:kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca>

July and August for children aged 5 to 13. For more information or to register, visit [royalsoccerclub.com](https://royalsoccerclub.com)<sup>24</sup> or call 1-800-427-0536.

## Marpole Soccer Club's Spring program



**SPRING ACADEMY**  
**TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS**  
**APRIL 2 TO JUNE 27**

Marpole Soccer Club is dedicated to our players and their individual development in a safe and fun environment.

- ✓ Trained Coaches
- ✓ Ball mastery
- ✓ Physical literacy
- ✓ Fun games
- ✓ Guarantee no cancellations
- ✓ Academy T-Shirt
- ✓ 13 Weeks!

**U4 to U7 BOYS & GIRLS** - 5:00pm to 6:00pm  
**U8 to U13 BOYS & GIRLS** - 6:00pm to 7:00pm  
LOCATION: Kitsilano Turf Field

**TUESDAYS ONLY - \$230**  
**THURSDAYS ONLY - \$230**  
**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS - \$390.00**

**REGISTER TODAY!**  
Questions? [registrar.marpole@gmail.com](mailto:registrar.marpole@gmail.com)

<sup>24</sup><https://royalsoccerclub.com/>

## BC Family French Camp



Keep your kids speaking French during the summer - Come join us at one of the BC Family French Camps in Summerland, Gwillim Lake, or Nanaimorun with monitors (councilors) from Quebec. As a JQ family that has been attending BCFFC for the past 9 years, we can definitely attest to the fun and enjoyment at camp, for both kids and parents! And parents don't need to speak French. Please find more details at <https://bcffc.com><sup>25</sup>. If you have any questions about the camp, you can contact me, Anthony (Milena's dad) at [treasurer@bcffc.com](mailto:treasurer@bcffc.com)<sup>26</sup>.

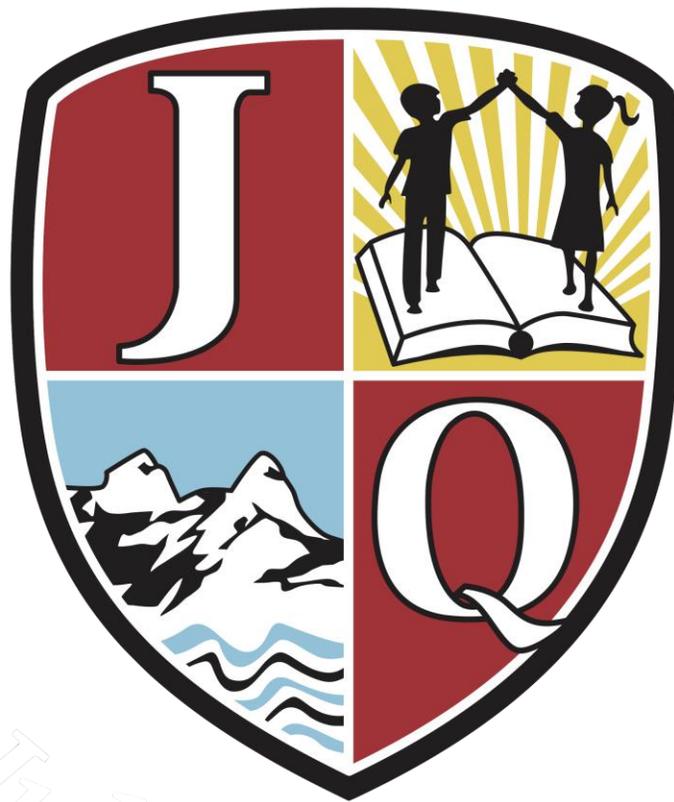
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Thank you for reading!

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