

JQ eNews - 2024.05.24

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.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

Resolving School-Related Concerns

We understand concerns about your child or any school-related issue may arise from time to time. We are dedicated to upholding a safe, inclusive, equitable, welcoming nurturing and healthy school environment. To ensure school concerns are addressed promptly while respecting the privacy of families,

³mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca

and to prevent misinformation through accurate documentation, there is a formal conflict resolution process⁴ for families to follow.

To start, families are encouraged to discuss concerns with your child's classroom teacher, as most issues can be resolved at this level through open communication. If the issue remains unresolved, you can contact their supervisor, either the Vice Principal or Principal. If necessary the Director of Instruction, who oversees the school's administrators, and then to the Associate Superintendent can be involved as well. For more details about each step, please refer to the District's conflict resolution process⁵.

Our number one priority is ensuring a successful education journey for your child. As the school's administrative team, we are committed to supporting and addressing any concerns to foster a positive school experience.

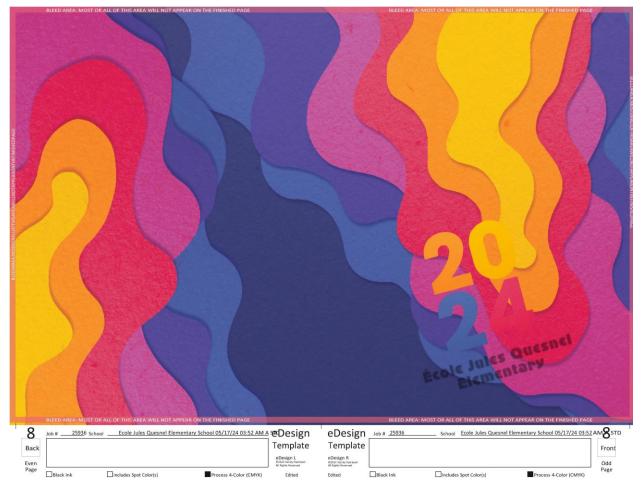


Library Book Return

Please continue to return your books to Mme Brigitte in the Library. All books must be returned by **Thursday, June 6.** If you have any questions, please contact her : battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca.

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JQ Yearbook 2023-2024



It's time to order a JQ Yearbook. Your child's memories are captured in our JQ Yearbook. Each division has a page with student portraits and a few candid photos. In addition, there are several pages with candid photos from various school activities. **We have been able to obtain special pricing this year and are able to charge only \$8.00 per yearbook**. Families may order and pay for a Yearbook on School Cash Online at https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com⁶ or by cash/cheque payable to Jules Quesnel and handed into the office. Please note the order deadline is **Friday, June 14th.** Yearbooks will be received sometime after June 17th and handed to students at the end of the school year.

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. Unclaimed items will soon be donated.



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



Wednesday, May 29 - PAC AGM - 6:30 pm in Rm 206

Monday, June 3 to Friday, June 7: Bike to School Week

Tuesday, June 18 - PAC Carnaval d'ete

Monday, June 24 - Report cards go home

Thursday, June 27 - Last Day of Attendance for students

Friday, June 28 - Administrative Day for staff

JQ PAC Updates



PAC AGM Meeting - Wednesday, May 29

PAC Meeting Minutes

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the May 1st PAC meeting. The draft minutes are here^{7.8} One of the important topics discussed was the decision not to observe Mother's Day at the school.

Annual General Meeting

Join us for the PAC AGM next Wednesday.

Date: May 29

Time: starting 6:30pm.

Where: In-person: Room 206 on the Main floor

Online: Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6507498613?pwd=Qm90MXZZckY3Yzk2VTFKdWgyOHExZz099

Meeting ID: 650 749 8613 Passcode: 021131

We encourage you to attend for at least very important reasons:

Firstly, our AGM requires a quorum of voting members. As parents/guardians of a student or students enrolled at JQ, you are automatically a voting member of the PAC. In order for our PAC to legally operate, we must elect executive officers at the AGM. We're seeking to fill several PAC executive roles including Secretary, DPAC Representative, and Funding Policy Coordinator for the upcoming term. No experience required. It can be as much or as little work as you put in. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer.

If not enough parents/guardians are present to elect officers, all PAC operations will be stalled.

Second, the AGM is sure to be informative, offering our community an opportunity to learn about the progress of the school year so far and to have their questions answered. We will present the budget for the next year and discuss fundraising policy updates.

The agenda will be circulated in the coming days.

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PAC Fundraising Policy Review



The PAC Executive is proposing to revise the current JQ PAC Fundraising policy, which have been in place since 2016, to reflect changes in the fundraising landscape at JQ.

The revisions proposed by the PAC Executive aim to address this change in landscape and to move away from a prescriptive fundraising policy to a more flexible, principles-based fundraising policy that will create space for PAC and the JQ community, including the Grade 7 class, to adapt fundraising initiatives on a yearly basis within the framework of the Policy to meet the needs of the current year. These revisions are proposed based on conversations over the last several months at the PAC meetings, discussions with the outgoing Grade 7 Committee, within PAC, and with the administration.

The primary changes are to make clearer that:

- The fundraising policy does not apply to teachers or the admin; it is a PAC policy;
- Fundraising must be in accordance with VSB policies, e.g, for a specific purpose;
- PAC can fundraise for a specific campaign, e.g., if the school asks to fundraising for a new basketball court, playground, IT equipment;
- Fundraising initiatives can be pursued by multiple grades, but in all instances, fundraising must be consistent with VSB policies and coordinated through PAC to keep a central oversight function;

- The Grade 7 Committee is a subcommittee of PAC and reports to PAC, and any unused funds at the end of the year revert back to PAC for the broader student body;
- The Grade 7 Committee, if one is formed, can be formed for fundraising for a specific purpose must be identified in accordance with the Policy. This may include fundraising for a specific initiative or year end trip, if one is planned.

PAC will see approval of the revised policy at the year end AGM next week. In advance of that meeting, PAC is circulating a redline copy, which makes clear the proposed changes, and a clean copy with the proposed changes incorporated. The links are below.

Redline Copy Policy¹⁰

Clean Copy Policy¹¹

Bike to School Week - June 3 - 7



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 ¹¹https://julesquesnelpac.us3.listmanage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=b778860640&e=afa53965a6 Upcoming event: JQ will be celebrating **Bike to School week between June 3-7, 2024**, where students are encouraged to bike, roll, or walk to school. If you are interested in volunteering during this week or have any ideas for events to coincide with it, please feel free to reach out to us.

New Hot Lunch & Pizza Update - May 24, 2024

Dear JQ Families,

We are VERY pleased to announce that we have our Hot Lunch Co-coordinators for next year - Kate and Helene!

Thank you both so much for volunteering for this very important role. They will be taking over the position, effective immediately, and can be reached at jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com¹²

Sristy has been in the role of Pizza Day coordinator for over a month now, and is doing a fantastic job.

Just a quick reminder that cutoff for ordering pizza is now Thursdays at noon. Cutoff for ordering hot lunch is the day before at 8 am.

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.com¹³

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

Free Extra-curricular Class - May 31st only

Try a FREE Extracurricular Class

Friday May 31 only / Free / Grades 1-6

Professor Puffin's Challenge Club is an afterschool enrichment program that offers a fun, educational and engaging experience for children. The program uses a variety of games to review subjects covered in the BC school curriculum (STEM, art, nature, English, etc.) while mixing in entertaining topics to spark children's interest.

Registration opens Monday May 614th15 at 7pm.16

Questions about extracurriculars can be sent to jqexcurricular@gmail.com¹⁷

¹²mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com

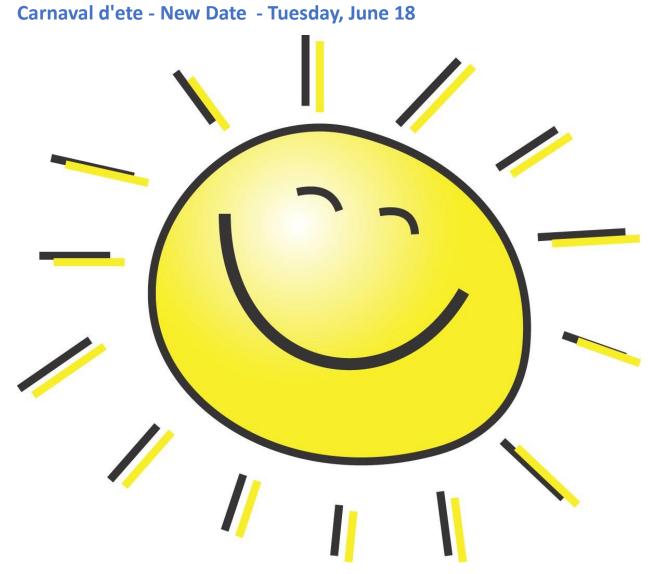
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Date: Tuesday June 18th 4:30pm onwards

Where: School field

Stay tuned for more information. If you would like to volunteer, or be involved, please write to Sarah Heck: sarahheck@live.ca¹⁸

¹⁸mailto:sarahheck@live.ca

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.ca¹⁹) 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

¹⁹mailto: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.

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.²⁰ It will help connecting with the other Gr 7 families, and the PAC.

PAC Newsletter

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

The JQ PAC website is www.jqpac.com²¹. 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.com²².

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Community Links

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

Learn & Experience Summer Camps

Learn & Experience. We are excited to announce our upcoming summer camp program, which will be taking place on Vancouver Island this summer.

As an organization that values diversity, cultural exchange and the enrichment of children's lives, we believe that our summer camp aligns closely with the educational goals and values of École Jules Quesnel. Our camp offers a unique opportunity for local children to engage with peers from around the world, fostering friendships, understanding and global awareness.

Additionally, as a gesture of appreciation for the local community, we are pleased to offer a 30% discount on our camp fees for any local child.

We believe that by working together, we can provide valuable opportunities for the children in our community to learn, grow and connect with others from diverse backgrounds.

Brochure 2024 - Learn & Experience : Learn & Experience (learnandexperience.com)²³

Summer Generation Health program - a free healthy lifestyle program

Generation Health is a **FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle program** for children and their families, delivered through YMCA BC and in partnership with the Childhood Obesity Foundation. Program participants will meet virtually or in person to learn about healthy eating, physical activity, goal setting, body image, self-esteem and more!

We have 2 program days to choose from: Starting in July Tuesdays or Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm. This program requires prior registration through these details: phone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca²⁴.

Families who join this program receive a complimentary membership to the YMCA.

²³https://learnandexperience.com/resources/summer-camp-catalog/

²⁴mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca



RBL Basketball Summer Camps

Printable Version of 2024 ²⁵S²⁶u²⁷m²⁸m²⁹e³⁰r³¹ Camps³²

Registration is online at RBLBasketball.com³³.

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

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Website: kitsilanogymnastics.ca Email: kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca³⁴ Phone: 604-349-8167

Quadra Daycare is Celebrating 50 Years!

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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

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 July and August for children aged 5 to 13. For more information or to register, visit royalsoccerclub.com³⁵ or call 1-800-427-0536.

³⁴mailto:kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca

³⁵<u>https://royalsoccerclub.com/</u>

Marpole Soccer Club's Spring program



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.com³⁶. If you have any questions about the camp, you can contact me, Anthony (Milena's dad) at treasurer@bcffc.com³⁷.

³⁶https://bcffc.com/

³⁷mailto:treasurer@bcffc.com

Thank you for reading!

Contact Us



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Visit us on the web at https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel.

³⁸mailto:studentrecordsquesnel@vsb.bc.ca