

# JQ eNews - 2024.05.31

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.

¹https://www.vsb.bc.ca/

<sup>&</sup>lt;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**<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 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca

#### Bike to School Week June 3 - 7



Get ready for an exciting week of active transportation! From June 3rd to June 7th, Jules Quesnel is celebrating Walk/Bike/Roll to School Week ( ) . We encourage students and staff to participate by biking, walking or rolling to school. Even if it means parking a little farther away or taking the bus and taking a short stroll, every effort counts! We will be handing out stickers to all students who arrive "on wheels." Find us at the main entrance on Crown Street to have your names registered. PAC will be sponsoring a draw of prizes at the end of the week. Please remember a bike lock, if your child will leave their bike at school during the day, and helmets.

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Friday June 7, the Theme Team (5 students from Division 6), is encouraging all students and staff to wear their favourite fluorescent colours to school, in support of biking and other safe active transportation ways of getting to and from school. The Theme Team will be outside the front of the school before school and during recess and lunch with fluorescent face/body paint if students or staff need help flashing their fluorescence.

Let's make next week memorable as we promote healthy habits, reduce traffic congestion, and create a sense of community. Thank you for supporting this initiative!

#### School Fees for 2024-2025

Please click HERE<sup>4</sup> to view JQ School Fees for 2024-2025. School fees will be payable at the beginning of next school year via School Cash Online<sup>5</sup>.

#### **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, and to prevent misinformation through accurate documentation, there is a formal conflict resolution process<sup>6</sup> 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 the Associate Superintendent can be involved as well. For more details about each step, please refer to the District's conflict resolution process<sup>7</sup>.

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.

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<sup>5</sup>https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com

<sup>6</sup>https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/vsb-conflict-resolution-procedure.9f37b967827.pdf

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### **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.

#### 2024-2025 School Calendar and Bell Schedule



The JQ Calendar and Bell Schedule for 2024-2025<sup>8</sup> is now available on the Publications page of the JQ website or via this LINK<sup>9</sup>.

Please note JQ has kept the default "Date set by school" professional development dates, Friday, September 20, 2024 and Wednesday, January 15, 2025, for the 2024-2025 school year. These dates may differ from schools that have chosen to change their dates.

JQ's Parent Conference early (2pm) dismissal dates for 2024-2025 are Tuesday, October 29, 2024 and Wednesday, October 30, 2024, and Wednesday, April 30, 2025 and Thursday, May 1, 2025. These dates may also differ from other schools.

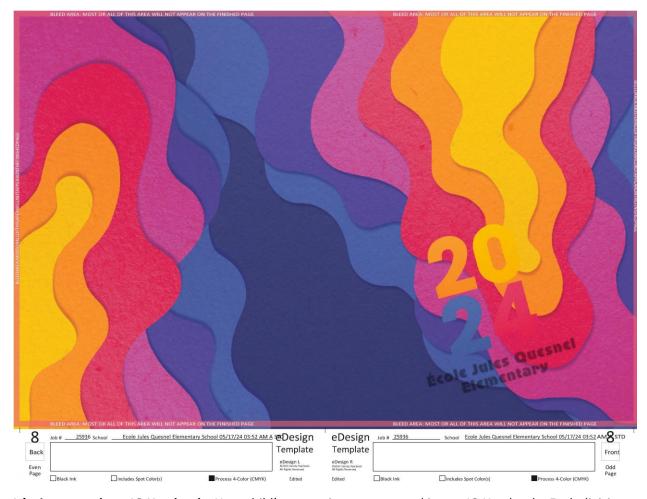
The Vancouver School District calendars for next and future school years are available HERE<sup>10</sup>. Dates on these calendars may differ from the school specific dates on the calendars linked above.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5023/school-year-calendar

#### **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.com<sup>11</sup> 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.

#### **Notice of Late Return in September**

A form is to be completed for any student expecting to return to school LATER THAN noon on Friday, September 6, 2024, but prior to Monday, September 30, 2024. Please request or pick-up the form from Liz in the Office. Thank you.

<sup>11</sup>https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/

#### **Lost and Found**



Many Lost and Found items have now been donated to a charitable organization, however, the rack is beginning to fill up again. Please continue to have your child check the rack for any missing clothing or other items.



### 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**



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

Tuesday, June 18 - PAC Carnaval d'ete

Friday, June 21 - Sports Day

Monday, June 24 - Communication of Student Learning reports go home

Thursday, June 27 - Last Day of Attendance for students

Friday, June 28 - Administrative Day for staff

### **JQ PAC Updates**



#### **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 Policy<sup>12</sup>

Clean Copy Policy<sup>13</sup>

#### Walk, Bike Roll to School Week - June 3 - 7



<sup>12</sup>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-

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#### 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.com<sup>14</sup>

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.com<sup>15</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 HOT LUNCH DAYS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com

### Carnaval d'ete - New Date - Tuesday, June 18



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:  $a^{16}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>mailto: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.ca<sup>17</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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</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.

#### **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>18</sup> 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: http://eepurl.com/4Qp2f

The JQ PAC website is www.jqpac.com<sup>19</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<sup>20</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=48958db63b&e=afa53965a6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup>http://www.jqpac.com/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>mailto:jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com

#### **Community Links**

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

#### Fire & Flower's Empowerment Camps

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, feel, see and express how amazing they are, just as they are. Participants build confidence and pride in being themselves and moving on to their next significant stage in life. This is a LGBTQ2SIAP+ inclusive space, and a space where we honour each other's ancestry.

Throughout the week, we explore relevant topics about the female body and growing up, and integrate the learning with nature time, crafts, and fun games. A parent/caregiver is invited to join us on Friday afternoon for facilitated quality time with their child.

Groups are small with only 6-12 participants to maximize connection & intimacy. It's like a 5-day sleepover without actually sleeping over!

#### Program details:

Hummingbird Camp (10-12 yo)

- Body positivity, stereotypes, friendship

July 2-5 | Trout Lake Community Centre

9:15am-3:15pm — \$264 (4 days), payment plans & bursaries available

Kingfisher Camp (10-12 yo)

- Physical anatomy, emotional shifts, menstruation

July 8-12th | West Point Grey Community Centre

9:15am-3:15pm — \$330, payment plans & bursaries available

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- Body positivity, stereotypes, friendship

July 22-26 | West Point Grey Community Centre

9:15am-3:15pm — \$330, payment plans & bursaries available

For more info, be sure to check out our website<sup>21</sup> or contact us<sup>22</sup>.



#### Fireside Adventures coupon for JQ families

To JQ families from Vancouver Outdoor School (this year's grade 7 camp facilitator):

Each summer, we extend a coupon to our partner schools, giving their families special deals on summer camp over at our sister company Fireside Adventures<sup>23</sup> (same ownership, team and instructors). We've got awesome experiences for kids aged 6–18+ and we often find that families value the opportunity to send their kids to camps with familiar faces, camp culture and educational style that they experienced with their school camp.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>https://fireandflowergirls.org/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>https://fireandflowergirls.org/contact-us/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>https://www.firesideadventures.ca/



#### 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)<sup>24</sup>

### 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 email to generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca $^{25}$ .

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>https://learnandexperience.com/resources/summer-camp-catalog/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca



#### **RBL Basketball Summer Camps**

Printable Version of 2024  $^{26}S^{27}u^{28}m^{29}m^{30}e^{31}r^{32}$  Camps $^{33}$ 

Registration is online at RBLBasketball.com<sup>34</sup>.

#### 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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<sup>34</sup>http://rblbasketball.com/

Website: kitsilanogymnastics.ca

Email: kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca35

Phone: 604-349-8167

#### 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: 9:30 am 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.com<sup>36</sup> or call 1-800-427-0536.

<sup>35</sup> mailto: kitsilanogymnastics@live.ca

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### Marpole Soccer Club's Spring program



#### **BC Family French Camp**



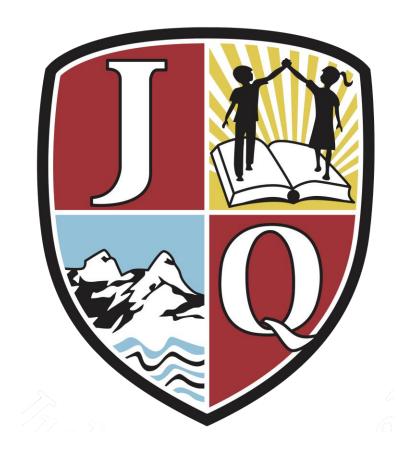
Keep your kids speaking French during the summer - Come join us at one of the BC Family French Camps in Summerland, Gwillim Lake, or Nanaimorun with monitors (councilors) from Quebec. As a JQ family that has been attending BCFFC for the past 9 years, we can definitely attest to the fun and enjoyment at camp, for both kids and parents! And parents don't need to speak French. Please find more details at https://bcffc.com<sup>37</sup>. If you have any questions about the camp, you can contact me, Anthony (Milena's dad) at treasurer@bcffc.com<sup>38</sup>.

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## Thank you for reading!

### **Contact Us**



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Visit us on the web at <a href="https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel">https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel</a>.

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