

# JQ eNews - 2024.06.26

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.

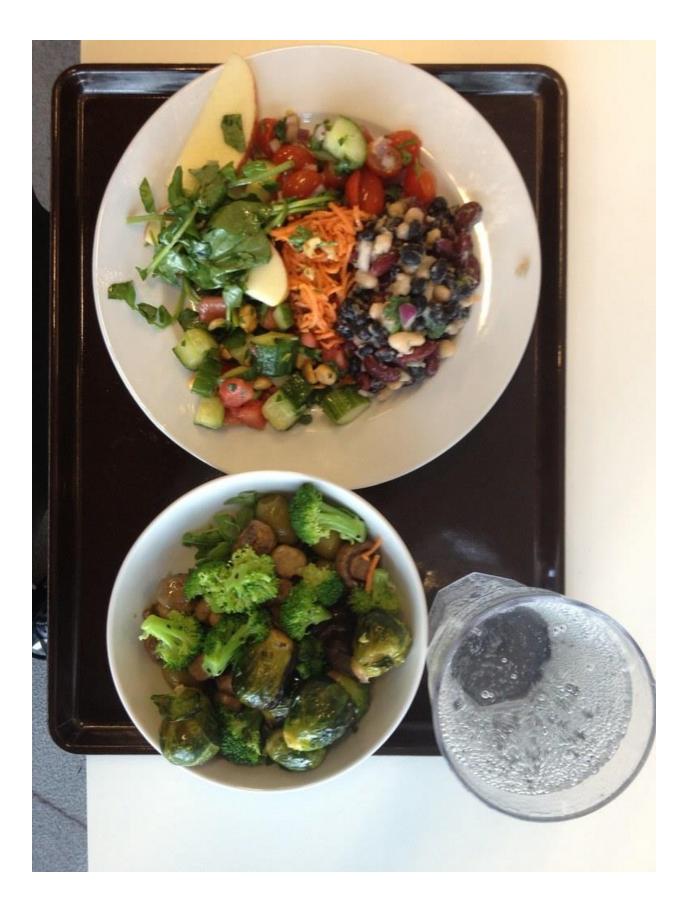
<sup>1</sup>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/ <sup>2</sup>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel

# Sports Day - Thank you parent volunteers



Thank you to the many parents who volunteered at last Friday's Sports Day. The snacks, water station, face painting and tents were appreciated on the hot, sunny day. Our students had fun and staff were grateful for the extra helping hands. Thank you again.

Staff luncheon - thank you PAC and JQ Community



The staff truly appreciated the delicious lunch from Tractor this week. During this busy time of year, receiving such a treat is wonderful.

A special thank you, Colleen and Jonathan, for organizing and setting everything up so nicely in the staffroom.



## **News from the Library**

Please continue to search for any missing library books over the summer as they can be returned in September if found. Questions? battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca

#### Au revoir to our grade 7 students



At a Leaving Ceremony on Tuesday, June 25th, we bid farewell to grade 7 students and their families. Each student spoke briefly sharing their lasting impressions of the school, the friendships formed along the way and the invaluable support received from many dedicated teachers and staff.

We will miss all of you and wish you continued success during your high school years and beyond.

Special thanks to Kristine for coordinating the food for the Leaving Ceremony.

Additionally, a heartfelt thank you to parents Adrienne, Kate, Megan, Suzie and Susan, the 2023/2024 Grade 7 fundraising committee, for their tremendous efforts in organizing hot lunches and various events to raise funds for the grade 7 camp on the Sunshine Coast. It is truly appreciated that our grade 7 students can benefit from this wonderful experience. Many cherished memories from the camp will be treasured for years to come.

A big thank you also goes out to Monsieur D, Mme. Gumley and Mme Sevie for all of their efforts in preparing for the camp and accompanying the students.

## **Staffing Update**

Sadly, we are also saying goodbye to the following staff members:

Mme. Joti Singh, Vice-Principal, who will transfer to Hastings Elementary;

Mme Aubry, Kindergarten teacher, will be moving to Crosstown Elementary to take up the position of Teacher-Librarian;

Mme Dosen, grade 3 teacher, will be moving to another school in the District.

We will miss all of you and wish you all the best in your new assignments.

#### **Summer Office Hours**

The school office will be open on **Friday, June 28th, Tuesday, July 2nd and Wednesday, July 3rd** from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. In August the school office will reopen on Monday, August 26th. Please call ahead at 604-713-4577 if you need to come to the school during these times.

#### **School re-entry in September**



School will reopen to students on **Tuesday, September 3rd for one hour only from 9:00 am to 10:00 am** except for Kindergarten Students who will follow a Gradual Entry schedule. For students in grades 1 to 7, school will be regular hours from 9:00 am to 3:03 pm on **Wednesday, September 4th.** 

Please check the VSB website as well as your emails during the week of August 26th to 30th for further details on school reopening.

Kindergarten students will follow a gradual entry schedule to be communicated to families in the next week.

## School Fees for 2024-2025

Please click HERE<sup>3</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>4</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup><u>https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-school-fees-2024-2025.1893b572924.pdf</u> <sup>4</sup><u>https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com</u>

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



The JQ Calendar and Bell Schedule for 2024-2025<sup>5</sup> is now available on the Publications page of the JQ website or via this LINK<sup>6</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>7</sup>. Dates on these calendars may differ from the school specific dates on the calendars linked above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup><u>https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-calendar-and-bell-schedule-2024-2025.0ad5f972851.pdf</u> <sup>6</sup><u>https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-calendar-and-bell-schedule-2024-2025.0ad5f972851.pdf</u> <sup>7</sup><u>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5023/school-year-calendar</u>

## **September Planning**

#### Late Return

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.

#### **Not Returning**

Additionally, 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.

#### Lost and Found



The lost and found is already full again. Please check the lost and found for lost items. Unclaimed items will be donated after June 28, 2024.



# **Upcoming Dates**



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>8</sup>

Clean Copy Policy<sup>9</sup>

#### **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.com<sup>10</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>11</sup>.

## **Community Links**

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup><u>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-</u>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>mailto:jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com

## The Vancouver Basketball Academy<sup>™</sup> 2024 Summer Camps!

Nike Basketball Elementary Summer Camp<sup>12</sup>:

- Days: Monday Thursday
  - Note: Holiday Mondays, Tuesday-Friday
- Time: 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- Location: Britannia Secondary School

Check out our website<sup>13</sup> for more The Vancouver Basketball Academy<sup>™</sup> summer experiences, including:

- High Performance Training
- Shooters Club
- Private Training
- UBC Overnight Camps

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup><u>https://www.academybasketball.com/programs-2/nike-basketball-elementary-summer-camps-vancouver</u>
<sup>13</sup><u>https://www.academybasketball.com/</u>

#### Kids Sewing Camp



#### Summer Smash Tennis Summer Flyer 2024



# Elevate Ultimate - Summer Camps

Are your kids looking for the "Ultimate" way to stay active this summer? Elevate Ultimate is the leader in youth Ultimate Frisbee and Disc Golf and pride themselves on teaching students life skills such as conflict resolution and teamwork through the self - refereed sport.

Their programs are for all skills levels and they have a Summer Camp near you. If your child is interested, check out their programs here,<sup>14</sup> and use discount code

schoolbuddy25 for \$25 off.

## Wize Computing Academy - Summer Camps

Get ready for an exciting summer with Wize Computing Academy's 2024 Summer Camps! These camps offer a range of engaging activities in coding, robotics, and STEM education for children in grades K-7. Designed to spark creativity and enhance critical thinking, our programs cover topics such as LEGO

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup><u>https://elevateultimate.com/register-here/</u>

Robotics, Minecraft Modding, Game Development, and more. Enroll now to give your child a fun and educational summer experience! For more information and registration, visit <u>https://www.wizeacademy.com/van-south-richmond/</u>

Thank you for reading!

**Contact Us** 



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