



JQ eNews - 2024.10.11

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.

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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**, or email jquattendance@vsb.bc.ca³ prior to 9:00 AM on the first day of the absence. If your child arrives late to school, they should report to the office and sign-in.

³<mailto:jquattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

Monday, October 14 - Thanksgiving



The school will be closed on **Monday, October 14** for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Fresh to You Fundraiser

FRESH TO YOU FUNDRAISER

JQ is making a healthy choice in fundraising by selling top quality fruits and vegetables from BC.

Help us:

- meet our school's fundraising goals (**proceeds will help pay for this year's grade 7 camp**)
- support healthy choices

- support local growers and producers

40% of sales go to the school.

Here's what's in the bundles:

Basic Bundle \$25

- 3lb Carrots
- 3lb Yellow Onions
- 3lb Apples
- 5lb Russet Potatoes

Seasonal Bundle \$25

- 3 Pack Loveable Little Squash
- 3lb Carrots
- 1lb Parsnips
- 5lb Russet Potatoes

Bundles are available on School Cash Online (<https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>) until Friday October 18.

FRESH TO YOU FUNDRAISER



SCHOOL FRUIT
AND VEGETABLE
NUTRITIONAL
PROGRAM

The Fresh to You Fundraiser is a great way to fundraise with healthy food choices while making a 40% profit for your school.

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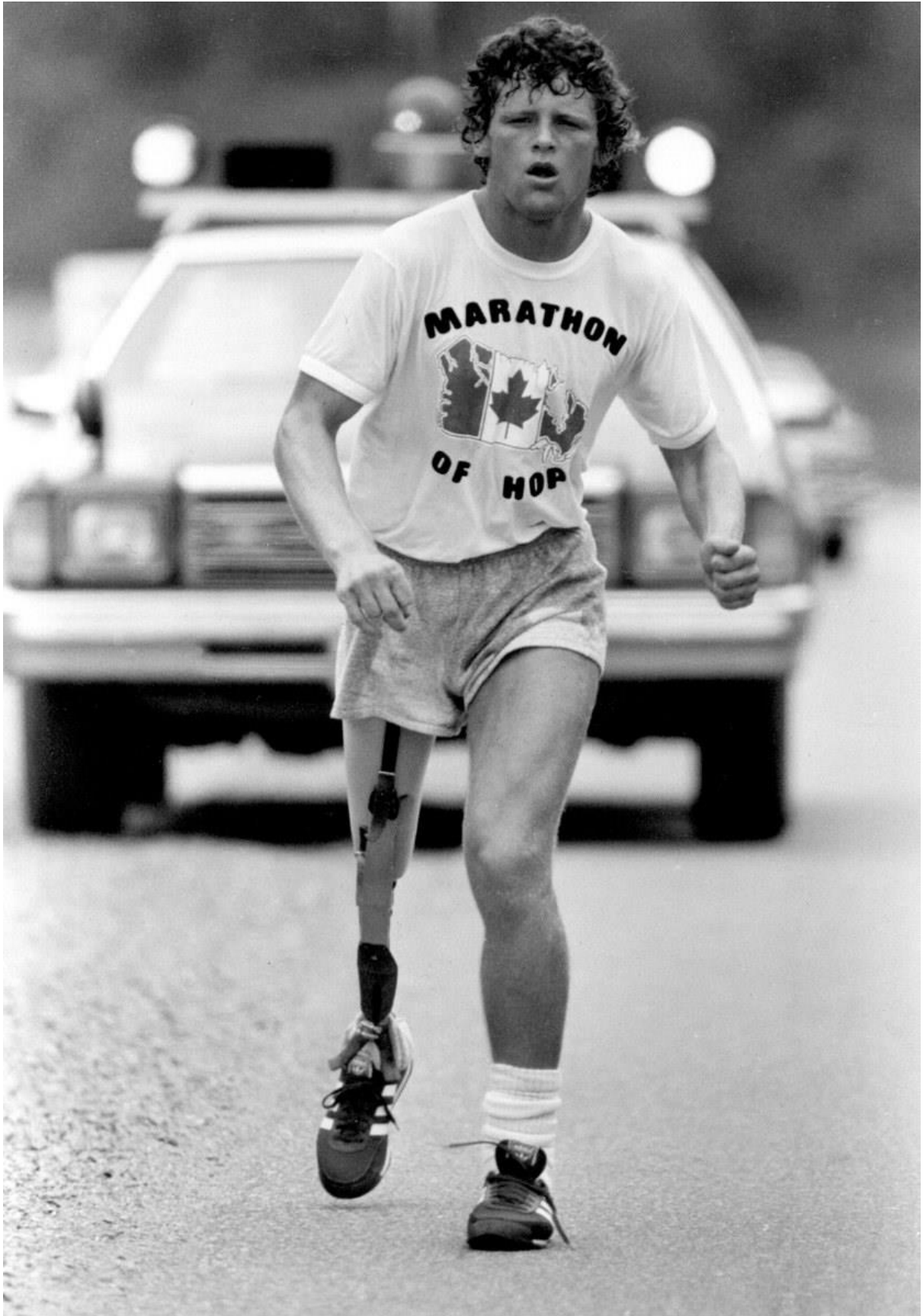
Fundraising Dates: bundles available via School Cash Online until Friday October 18, 2024

Fundraising Coordinator: Vital Peeters, Principal - JQ

Revised June 2024



Terry Fox Run - Friday, October 11



Our annual school Terry Fox Run was held this afternoon. Thank you to parent volunteers who came to lend a hand and cheer on our runners.

Donations can still be made at the following link:

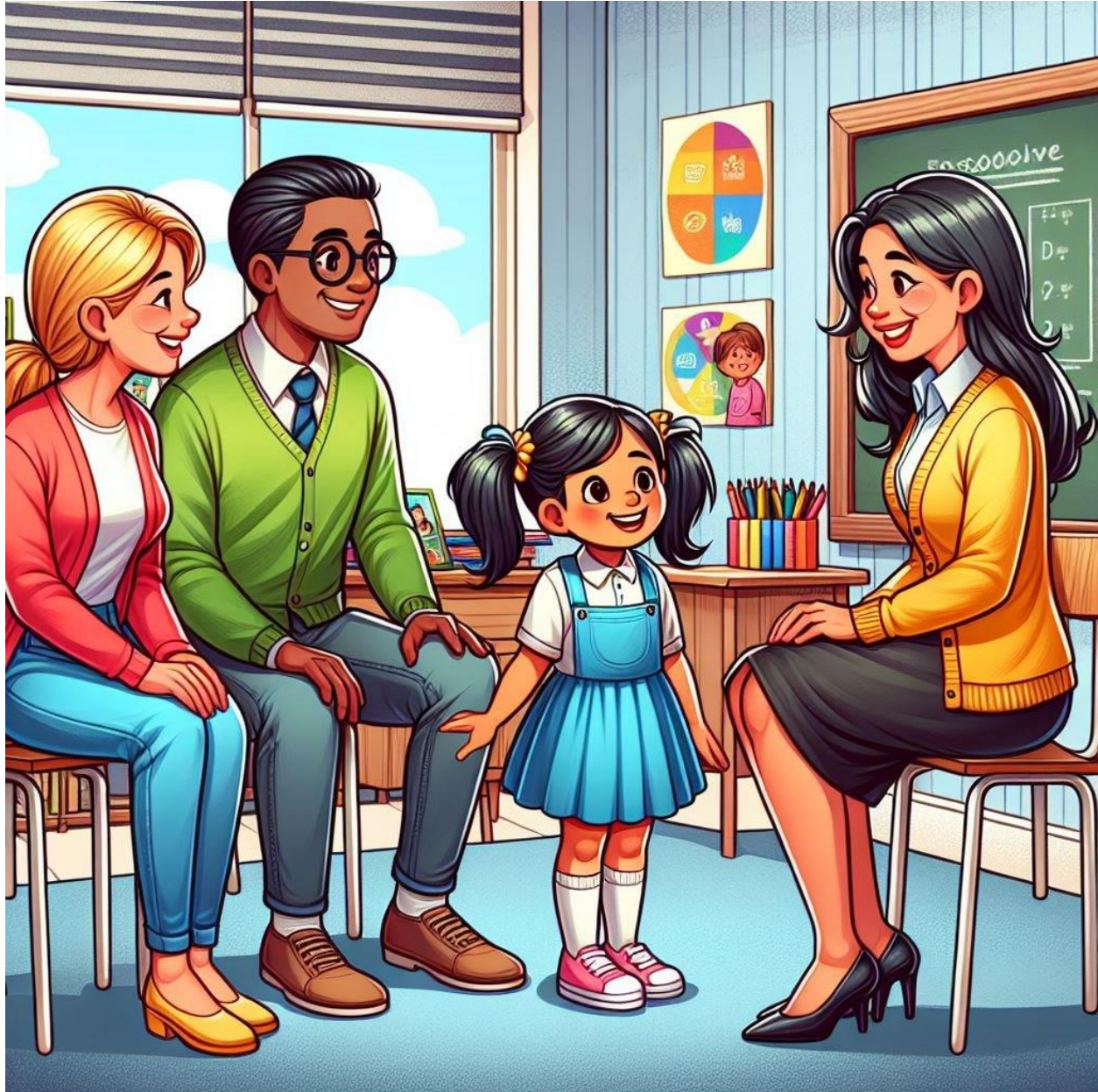
<https://schools.terryfox.ca/ecoleJulesQuesnelElementary>. All donations are voluntary.

Shake Out BC - Thursday, October 17



The school will hold its first earthquake drill on Thursday, October 17th as part of the Great BC Shake Out. Students will practice drop, cover and hold in the classroom before exiting the building to assemble on the field.

October CSL Conferences



All JQ students will be **dismissed early at 2pm Tuesday, October 29 and Wednesday, October 30** to give more time for October Communicating Student Learning (CSL) conferences.

Look for a message from your child's teacher regarding conference booking. Some teachers may choose to spread their conferences out over more than the two early dismissal days.

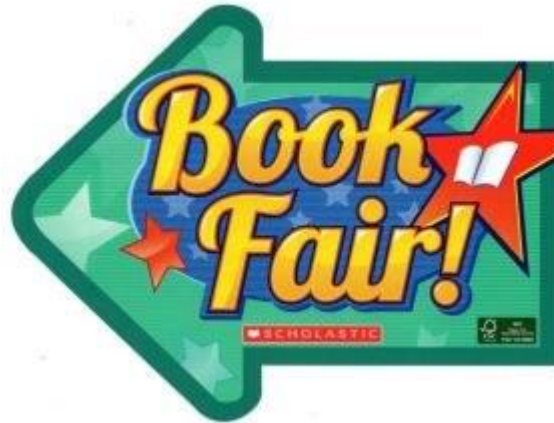
October conferences are an informal learning update prior to Learning Update #1 which will be available to families December 16. Conferences are an opportunity for students, families and teachers to consider 3 questions about students' learning:

1. Where am I now?

2. Where am I going?
3. How do I get there?

Resource teachers may join conferences for students they support. Prep teachers will also be available to meet with students and families.

Scholastic book Fair is coming soon to JQ on Oct 29 & 30!



During parent-teacher conferences at Jules Quesnel (Oct 29 & 30), I will be hosting our annual Scholastic Book Fair, selling both English and French books.

Hours open to families:

Tuesday, October 29: 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm (after school)

Wednesday, October 30: 2:00 pm to 5:00pm (after school)

The Book Fair will also be open to students in **grades 2 and up** on Tuesday and Wednesday during school hours.

Proceeds from the Book Fair will go towards new books and display.

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

⁴<mailto:battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca>

A friendly reminder to keep toys at home



You're My
Muffin

We would like to request that children do not bring toys, games or cards to school. We have noticed a number of children bringing toys into school and this is leading to some upset when they are not shared, become misplaced or swapped with another child. Thank you for your cooperation.

VSB Student Threat-Risk Assessment Protocol - Fair Notice



Please see linked information [HERE](#)⁵.

⁵<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5072/student-threat-risk-assessment-vtra>

Lost and Found



Please come and claim lost items.

Please label children's clothes so they can more easily be returned to their owners.



Cross Country Final Meet - October 22



The Vancouver District Cross Country Final Meet will be held on Tuesday, October 22 at 1 pm sharp at Trout Lake (East 19th Avenue and Victoria Drive).

Families are responsible for getting participants to and from the event. If you are able to stay and help organize the different grades for their heats, and cheer them on, your support would be greatly appreciated! We have a lot of runners this time.

In addition, ALL volunteers must read and sign the Volunteer Conduct Agreement.⁶

Students should wear their red JQ jersey or other red jersey for the Meet. Look for the JQ tent once you arrive at Trout Lake. Volunteer drivers will need to sign a Volunteer Driver form before October 22nd. Forms are available in the school office.

Thank you.

Monsieur Sankey and JQXC

Rainy weather



All students play outside during mid morning and lunch recesses. Please make sure that appropriate outside clothing is worn to school for cold and wet weather conditions. We suggest rain boots, a water resistant jacket and mittens and hats when the weather becomes colder. Umbrellas are ok too; please remind your child about appropriate umbrella use.

⁶https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/ap_490_zappendixa_volunteer-guidelines.19e3f620696.pdf

It is also advisable to have a spare set of clothing in the classroom which includes a pair of socks, especially important for younger students. Slips and falls happen quite frequently in wet conditions and students often need additional clothing.

Thank you for supporting your child to have a successful day at school, whatever the weather.

Jules Quesnel Library Resources Online



Below are the steps to login to the **JQ library** and access student resources online:

- Go to: <https://library.vsb.bc.ca/>
- Find **Ecole Jules Quesnel**
- Click on **Ecole Jules Quesnel**
- **Log In** (top right corner) by entering:

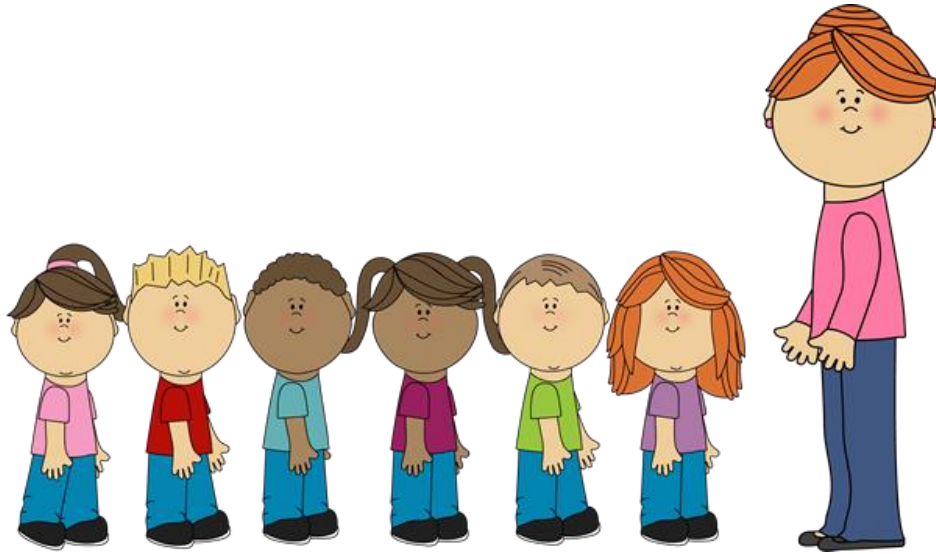
Username : student number

Password : set up by family or student

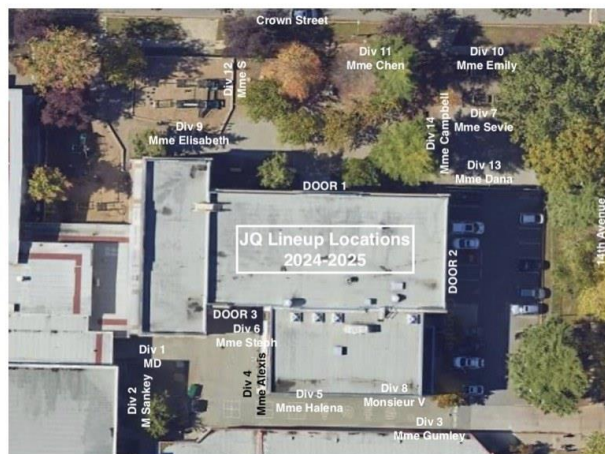
- The database Jules Quesnel Home Page will appear

- In Home page, you will find all sorts of links to **different educational websites, online audio books and e-books that you can borrow**

School Grounds and Student Pick up/Drop off



Please note that the front playground will be supervised from 8:40 to 8:55 am and from 2:58 to 3:13 pm. At the beginning of each day (9:00 am), classroom teachers will meet students at a designated spot and escort them into the school. At the end of the day (2:58 pm), students will return to the same spot for pick-up by parents. Students not picked up by 3:13 pm will be taken to the office and a parent contacted. Thank you for picking up your child promptly at dismissal.



District Programs (Mini Schools) Sept 2025



District Programs Information for Grade 7 students

Grade 7 students and families,

For those beginning to wonder about options for their Grade 8 year, click on the link below for information regarding 2025 District Programs (Mini Schools).

[VSB Mini School Brochure.pdf](#)⁷

There are a few Mini-School Information evenings coming up at west-side schools in late October:

Byng Arts: October 29th

Point Grey Mini: October 30th

Prince of Wales Mini: November 5th

Information Nights for Kitsilano and Churchill will take place in January after the winter break.

⁷<https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/vsb-mini-school-brochure-2023.b0616d60919.pdf>

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



The 2023-2024 School Calendar and other information is available on our school website⁸.

Please visit the school website regularly for the most up to date information regarding JQ activities and events.

Upcoming events are listed on the school website homepage and on the Calendar⁹ page. Click the List View tab on the Calendar page for list of upcoming events.

Dates to Note in October



Monday, October 14: Thanksgiving - school closed

⁸<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel>

⁹<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview>

Monday, October 14: Grade 7 hoodie order deadline

Thursday, October 17: Shake Out BC Earthquake Drill

Friday, October 18: Fresh to You order deadline

Tuesday, October 22: Final Cross Country Meet at Trout Lake Park - 1 pm

Wednesday, October 23: Photo Retake Day

Wednesday, October 23: Kindergarten Hearing Screening

Friday, October 25: Professional Development Day

Tuesday, October 29: Early Dismissal at 2 pm for conferences/Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, October 30: Early Dismissal at 2 pm for conferences/Scholastic Book Fair

Foundation Skills Assessment for students in grades 4 & 7

Students in grades 4 and 7 will be participating in The Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) during the month of October. This is an annual province-wide assessment of British Columbia students' academic skills, and provides a snapshot of how BC students are progressing in the foundational skills of reading, writing and numeracy (mathematics).

Further information can be obtained by visiting the Ministry's FSA website¹⁰ and reading the FSA parent/caregiver brochure¹¹.

Art in the hallways

We would like to share some artwork in our hallways.

¹⁰<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/assessment/foundation-skills-assessment#important-resources>

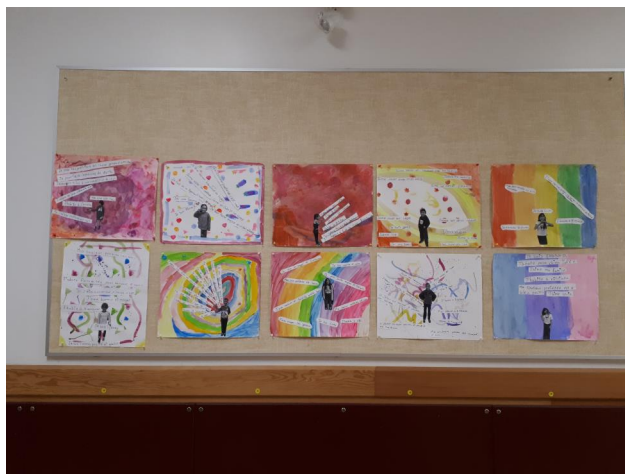
¹¹<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/sites/curriculum.gov.bc.ca/files/pdf/assessment/fsa/en-foundation-skills-assessment-for-parents-and-caregivers.pdf>











JQ PAC Updates



PAC Meeting Minutes

Thank you to everyone who attended the PAC Meeting this week. Here is the link to the Minutes:

2024-09-26 PAC Meeting Minutes (002).docx¹²

Our next PAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd.

PAC Executive 2024-2025

- DPAC Representative: Paul Zaremba
- Secretary: Shannon Beebe
- Funding Policy Coordinators: Sylvia LeRoy and Irena Bandu
- Treasurer: Tiffany Hamilton
- Chair: Rajesh Vijayaraghavan

Yoga Buggy for grades 1 to 3 - application deadline - today



Interested in Yoga Buggy? Send your response today!

¹²[https://vsbworld-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/personal/etoone_vsb_bc_ca/Documents/PAC/2024-09-26 PAC Meeting Minutes \(002\).docx?d=w5b8a8fa59aa243ee9724e63ddf0ac32&csf=1&web=1&e=7lv190](https://vsbworld-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/personal/etoone_vsb_bc_ca/Documents/PAC/2024-09-26%20PAC%20Meeting%20Minutes%20(002).docx?d=w5b8a8fa59aa243ee9724e63ddf0ac32&csf=1&web=1&e=7lv190)

Thursdays - Oct 24 to Dec 12 - 3 to 4:30pm- Gr 1to 3 - \$146

Complete the online form¹³, **before the end of day, October 11th, 2024**, to grab a limited spot with YogaBuggy¹⁴.

This program is **not** on a first come, first serve basis and completing this form does **not** guarantee a space in the program.

If the interest for a program is greater than spots available, a lottery process will be used.

The school office will have printed copies and will accept completed paper interest forms.

If you have questions about this program, please contact Community Schools Coordinator, **Travis Klimko** at: tklimko@vsb.bc.ca¹⁵

Volleyball for grades 6 and 7



¹³<https://forms.office.com/r/bidBVJgtHw>

¹⁴<https://www.yogabuggy.com/>

¹⁵<mailto:tklimko@vsb.bc.ca>

We are thrilled to announce that there will be two volleyball teams this season: a Grade 6/7 Boys team and a Grade 6/7 Girls team.

Boys games will be on Wednesdays: Nov 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th

Girls games will be on Thursdays: Nov 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.

We are still finalizing coaches for both teams. Practices will be one morning a week per team Monday - Thursday (day to be confirmed). Another option will be lunch hour. In the past we have held practices at 8am in the JQ gym the morning of game days,

If you have volleyball experience and are interested in coaching/ helping please email:

sarahheck@live.ca¹⁶ cc bsankey@vsb.bc.ca¹⁷ and eklich@vsb.bc.ca¹⁸. 📧 📧

We will not be able to run these programs without volunteer help and support.

Other Sports News

Basketball for Grades 6 and 7 will begin after winter break, and **Ultimate Frisbee and Track & Field** will run from April through the end of June. To ensure the success of these programs, just like the others above, we need volunteers and would love to see some new faces helping out. Track & Field, in particular, requires extra support with field setup and crowd management.

We are finalizing another order of JQ Hoodies and anticipate they will arrive at the end of October. Stay tuned!

Hot Lunch Program

Hot lunch is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays and pizza lunch on Fridays. Ordering is now open at munchalunch.com¹⁹. If you don't have an account set up, you will need to create one to order food for your student. **Orders must be in by 9am for the following day's hot lunch meal.**

If you have any questions, please direct them to the hot lunch & pizza lunch coordinators (Helene, Kate & Sristy) at jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com²⁰

PAC Newsletter

If you are not receiving the PAC Newsletter and you would like to:

Add us to your address book²¹

¹⁶<mailto:sarahheck@live.ca>

¹⁷<mailto:bsankey@vsb.bc.ca>

¹⁸<mailto:eklich@vsb.bc.ca>

¹⁹<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=4cf65b4a26&e=afa53965a6>

²⁰<mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com>

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can update your preferences²² or unsubscribe²³

JQ Parent Advisory Council

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Community Links

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

Information for kindergarten families from Canadian Parents for French

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH - VANCOUVER CHAPTER

WELCOME TO MATERNELLE

Your French Immersion adventure begins.

Bonjour les parents and welcome to the start of something very special for your child. Having enrolled in French Immersion, you have just made one of the most important decisions regarding your child's education. There are so many benefits to being bilingual. As exciting as these early days may be, you likely have many questions. Don't worry, you're not alone.

We would like to introduce ourselves. We are the Vancouver Chapter of the Canadian Parents for French (CPF), a national network of volunteers which values French as an integral part of Canada and which is dedicated to the promotion and creation of French-second-language learning opportunities for young Canadians.

CPF works with parents to fund and organize a range of events, from French summer camps to public-speaking competitions with thousands of dollars in prizes, film festivals, concerts and parent workshops. We also offer bursaries to students interested in teaching French in BC or Yukon. We monitor how federal and provincial educational dollars are invested in French programs in your community. We help raise awareness about the benefits of second-language learning for all children.

Now you can Join CPF for Free!

CPF Canada is currently waiving the membership fee. Join today and gain access to a network of parents just like you. By joining you would also be supporting us and our initiatives as our provincial funding is conditional to the number of members we have.

To join visit: <https://cpf.ca/en/join-cpf/>

If you would like to learn more about our organization and ways to support your child in their FI education please visit any of the following links:

CPF VANCOUVER FACEBOOK:
www.facebook.com/CPFVancouver

CPF VANCOUVER CHAPTER EMAIL:
cpfvancoover@gmail.com

CPF BC/YUKON: www.bc-yk.cpf.ca

CPF CANADA: www.cpf.ca

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH VANCOUVER CHAPTER

Canadian Parents for French furthers bilingualism by promoting and creating opportunities for youth to learn and use French.

²¹<https://julesquesnel.pac.us3.list-manage.com/vcard?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b>

²²<https://julesquesnel.pac.us3.list-manage.com/profile?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

²³<https://julesquesnel.pac.us3.list-manage.com/unsubscribe?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&t=b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

TIPS for supporting your child's French education.

Most French immersion parents have either a limited knowledge of French or cannot speak the language at all. If you don't speak French yourself, it is not suggested you read to your child in French now. However, any reading that you do in your first language is recommended and the reading skills that are learned, such as vocabulary development and reading from left to right, can be transferred to French.

Being able to read words and sound out letters are important aspects of learning to read but true reading involves reading for meaning and making connections with our own personal experiences. Children should be encouraged to clarify what they read through pictures, questions and discussion and retelling the story. This leads to greater understanding and comprehension.

Here are some simple suggestions for children in primary immersion:

- Be enthusiastic and positive.
- Read often to your child in English (or your first language).
- Provide French resources eg. French dictionaries, DVDs, CDs, books, comic books.
- Consider putting them into a French language summer day camp.
- Discover French internet web sites.
- Join the local chapter of your Canadian Parents for French to network with other immersion parents, access services and to keep informed about developments in French second language education.
- Sign up for an adult French course geared to French immersion parents.
- Listen to French radio and watch French shows or movies.
- Hire a tutor or babysitter who speaks French to play with your child.

Try to develop the best relationship possible between you and your child's teacher, making teamwork the main theme. Asking about your children's homework and praising them for its completion as well as allowing them to tell you about their day will help create a more positive environment about school in general.

RAZ KIDS A-Z READING

RAZ KIDS is an online reading library offered to our members at a discounted price.

The \$15 annual subscription provides access to their entire French library of 2000+ digital levelled books, suitable for primary level learning (K to Grade 4). The app will even read to you and help with pronunciation.

Visit RAZ KIDS to learn more:

<https://www.raz-kids.com/>

SUBSCRIBE HERE:

<https://forms.gle/9Y9jdNTcGHUP7YS6>

OR email us for more info: cpfvancouver@gmail.com



BILINGUAL CHILDREN'S CONCERT COMING THIS FALL

CPF Vancouver will be presenting an exciting event this fall that is perfect for families starting in French Immersion. Family Entertainer, Mike Bryden will take the stage for a fun-filled bilingual show, complete with live music, stories and live drawings. This is a members only event, so join today and come sing with us!

YMCA Fall Generation Health 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 Healthy Living 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 4 program days to choose from: Starting in October Tuesdays in person at the Tong Louie YMCA from 6:30pm-8:30pm or Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays Virtually from 6:30pm-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.

RBL Basketball Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 Programs²⁵

FREE KICK TIMBITS FALL SOCCER

REGISTER HERE²⁶

All players receive a Timbits Uniform, Soccer Ball, Socks & Medal!

²⁴<mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca>

²⁵<https://rblbasketball.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/RBL-Fall-2023-Winter-2024.pdf>

²⁶<https://secure.esportsdesk.com/login.cfm?clientid=6949>

Play Fall Saturday & Sunday Mornings, After School Soccer & Free Kick Academy with a World Cup theme & Music. Players will be grouped by age and level to develop fun skills, and play Small-Sided games with Professional Coaches.

See website for details!

www.FreeKickFC.com²⁷

Thank you for reading!

Contact Us



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

²⁷<http://www.freekickfc.com/>

²⁸<mailto:studentrecordsquesnel@vsb.bc.ca>