



JQ eNews - 2024.11.01

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>

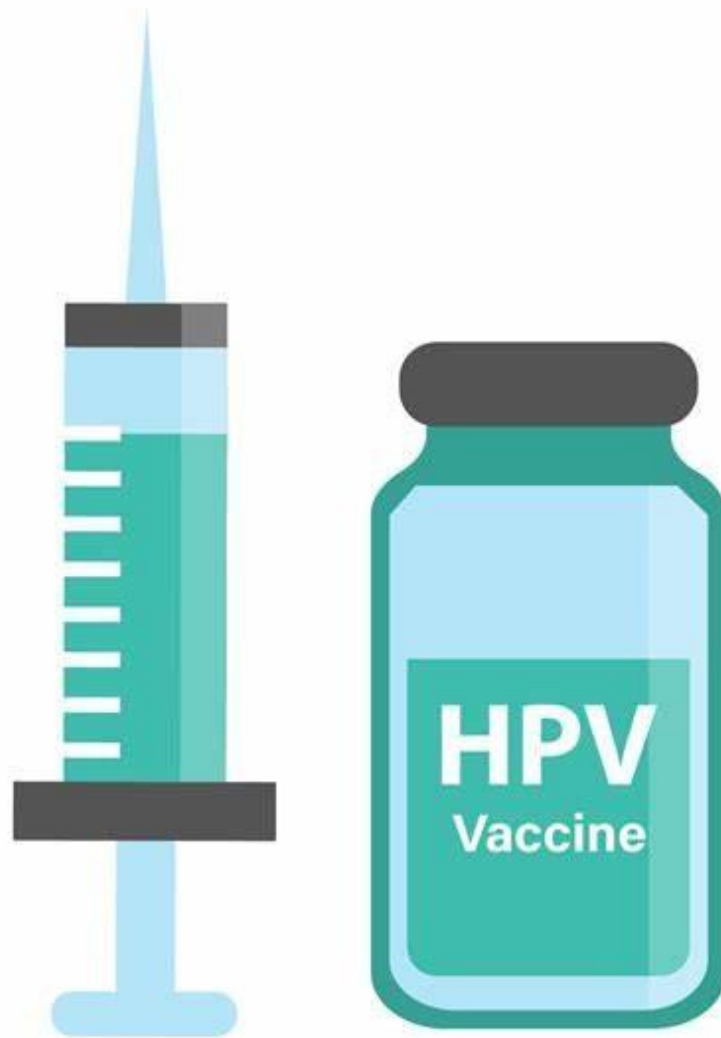
Safe Arrival and Reporting Student Absences



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>

Grade 6 Immunization Clinic - Monday, November 4



The Immunization Clinic will be held on the morning of Monday, November 4th.

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.

Fresh to You Fundraiser - Thanks for ordering!

FRESH TO YOU FUNDRAISER

Thanks to everyone who ordered Fresh to You Fundraiser bundles. A total of 60 bundles were purchased. \$540 will help pay for this year's grade 7 camp.

Bundles should be available on Tuesday, November 26th. **Please look for an email with pick up information.**

Art Cards by Kids

ATTENTION PARENTS!

ArtCards
by Kids



Our school is participating in the Art Cards by Kids fundraiser this fall!

Watch for a sample card with instructions on how to order your child's art made into beautiful keepsake art products in the coming weeks.

Get excited because your child is hard at work creating their masterpiece in the classroom!

www.artcardsbykids.com

Thanks to teaching staff, our School will be participating in this creative fundraising activity. Over the next couple of weeks, students will begin working on their cards, usually a winter theme, but the artwork can be on any theme of interest to your child.

We would like to return the completed Art Cards by November 8th to ensure any orders placed are received at the beginning of December in time for the festive season postal dates.

Kindergarten registration for children born in 2020 begins on November 1

Kindergarten registration



All kindergarten applicants are required to complete an online application for their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for District Choice programs (Early French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous Focus School, Early Mandarin Bilingual, Nootka Fine Arts) and/or make a cross boundary application to attend a non-catchment school.

The priority registration period for kindergarten opens on **November 1** and closes on **January 31**. Students who submit an online application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

Applying for kindergarten is a **2-step process**:

Step 1: Online Application (ApplyNow)

- Completion of an online application form (<https://applynow.vsb.bc.ca/>) for the school year **2025-26**

Step 2: Verification of documentation

- Contact your English catchment school office to set up an appointment to bring your supporting documentation
- Bring supporting documentation to your English catchment school office during your scheduled appointment

Supporting documents needed:

1. Proof of residence in Vancouver
2. Child's birth certificate
3. Immigration documentation (if applicable)
4. Immunization records
5. Court orders/documents (if applicable)

If you want to apply for a District Choice Program or cross boundary, you must **first apply to your English catchment elementary school**. District Choice Programs and cross boundary applications will be accepted in early 2025. For more information, go to: govsb.ca/kchoice⁴ and govsb.ca/crossboundary⁵

VSB School Fees

Over 40 families have yet to pay various school fees, and these are now due to the Vancouver School Board. If you have not yet had the opportunity to pay these fees, could you please do so at your earliest convenience. The fees are: \$35 Annual School Fee and \$10 Extra Activity/Performance Fee.

All fees can be paid on School Cash online: <https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com>⁶ or by cash/cheque payable to Ecole Jules Quesnel.

Please note: In accordance with Board policy, no student shall be denied an opportunity to participate in an activity because of an inability to pay fees. **Any family in need of having any fees waived should not hesitate to contact Vital Peeters (vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca) in confidence.**

Thank you.

⁴<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5196/kindergarten-choice-programs>

⁵<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5198/cross-boundary-application>

⁶<https://vsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

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](#)⁷.

⁷<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5072/student-threat-risk-assessment-vtra>

Lost and Found



Please visit the Lost & Found by the north entrance to the gym on the main floor of the school.

There are a few jewelry items, small toys and keys in the display cabinet next to the office. Please let the Office know if any item belongs to your child and it will be returned.

Please take a look this week as all unclaimed items will be donated over the next couple of weeks.

Thank you.

Jules Quesnel Library Resources Online



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

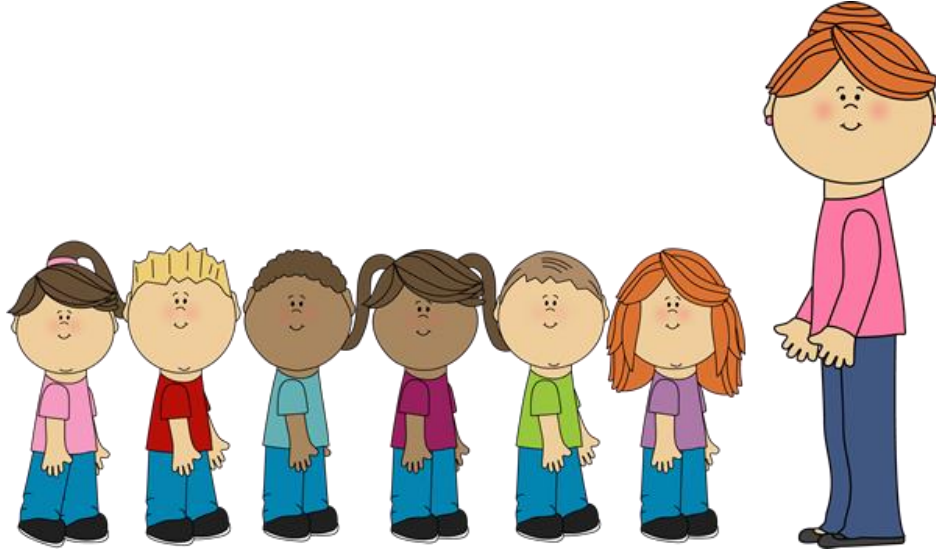
- Go to: <https://library.vsb.bc.ca/>
- Find **Ecole Jules Quesnel**
- Click on **Ecole Jules Quesnel**
- **Log In** (top right corner) by entering:

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](#)⁸

Please note that there are a few information evenings coming up next week and online registration for mini-school applications open on Tuesday, November 12th.

Prince of Wales Mini: November 5th

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

⁸<https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/vsb-mini-school-brochure-2023.b0616d60919.pdf>

Volleyball for Sr. Girls and Sr. Boys (grades 6 & 7)



Volleyball practices for Sr. Girls and Sr. Boys will be combined and take place on **Tuesday** mornings before school at **7:55 am**. The first practice will be next week on **Tuesday, November 5th at 7:55 am**.

All **Senior Girls** games will take place at Gordon Elementary (2268 Bayswater St) on Thursday, November 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th and will begin at 3:30 pm.

All **Senior Boys** games will take place at Queen Mary (2000 Trimble St) on Wednesday, November 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th and will begin at 3:30 pm.

JQ Choir, grades 1 to 7



If your child is interested in the choir led by Mme Young, please return the permission slip by **Wednesday, November 6th**. Extra copies are available in the office. Practices will be on Wednesday mornings before school at 8:15 am.

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



The **2023-2024 School Calendar** and other information is available on our school website⁹.

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 Calendar¹⁰ page. Click the List View tab on the Calendar page for list of upcoming events.

⁹<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel>

Dates to Note in October



Friday, November 1: Kindergarten registration opens for September 2025

Monday, November 4: Grade 6 Immunization Clinic

Monday, November 11: School closed for Remembrance Day

Tuesday, November 12: Mini-Schools registration opens for grade 7 students

Terry Fox Foundation

Thank you to everyone who donated to our school's Terry Fox Run. A total of \$321 was raised online and in cash donations.

Photo Retakes

For anyone who would like a photo retake or missed both the original and retake days at school, Edge Imaging is offering an in-studio retake day on Saturday, November 23rd at 15 Victoria Drive, Vancouver.

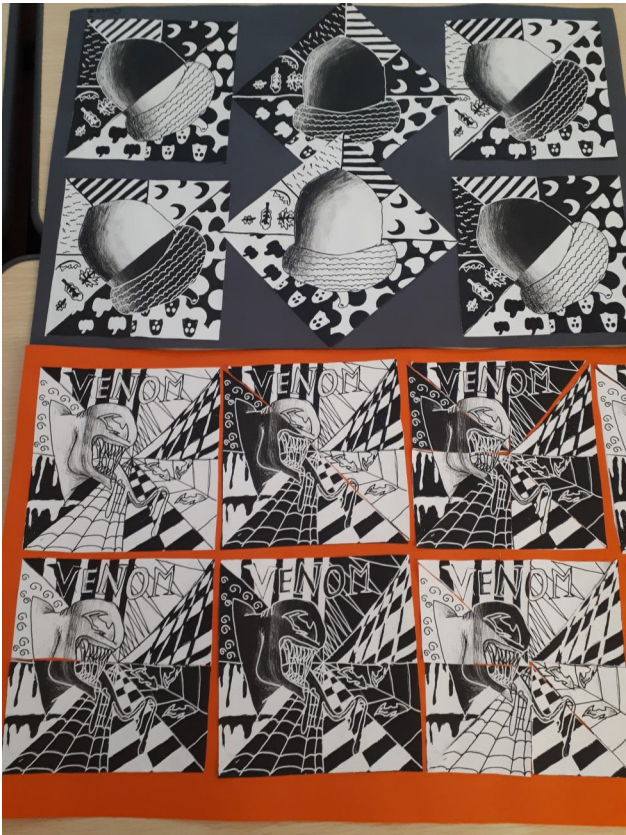
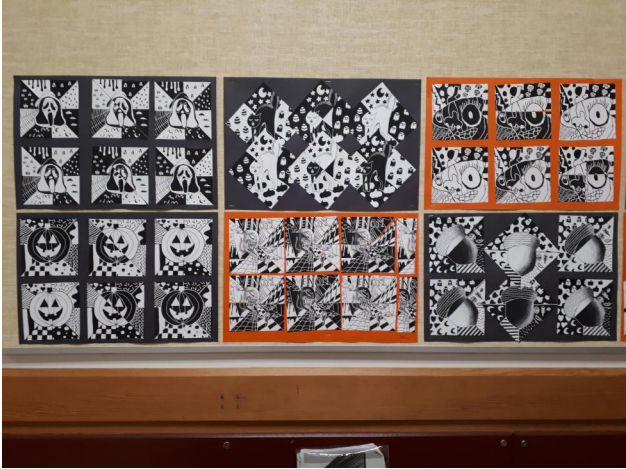
Here is an appointment link: [Edge Imaging | Booking Your Appointment](#)¹¹

Art in the hallways

We would like to share some artwork in our hallways.

¹⁰<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview>

¹¹<https://booking.edgeimaging.ca/portal/book/YBE>















JQ PAC Updates



Purdys Fundraising



Our Purdys Fundraiser begins....NOW! Go get your Winter fundraising treats: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/2018840-123329>

Stock up on your favourite Purdys Winter fundraising treats (did someone say Hedgehogs?) AND support a great cause at the same time—it's the best of both worlds. All fundraising profit raised will directly support 2024-25 JQ Grade 7 students, so every order makes a great difference to us.

From now until November 26th, you can order Purdys treats from our fundraiser by joining our campaign and browsing the tastiest selection of Winter fundraising chocolates online. Shop gifts for family, friends, neighbours AND yourself in one convenient place. After all orders are submitted, we'll sort, distribute, and let you know when you can collect your goodies.

What you'll need to order:

1. **Our campaign number: 78953**
2. **Go to our fundraising website:** <https://fundraising.purdys.com/2018840-123329>
3. **Click "Join Campaign"**
4. **Shop, shop, shop away!**

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share this fundraiser link to everyone you know!

Happy chocolating!

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

PAC Meeting

Thank you to all those who attended the PAC Meeting on Wednesday evening.

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, November 27th**, please save the date.

Hot Lunch Program

Hot lunch is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays and pizza lunch on Fridays. Ordering is now open at munchalunch.com¹². 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.com¹³

PAC Newsletter

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

Add us to your address book¹⁴

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can update your preferences¹⁵ or unsubscribe¹⁶

¹²<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=4cf65b4a26&e=afa53965a6>

¹³<mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com>

¹⁴<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/vcard?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b>

¹⁵<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/profile?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

¹⁶<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/unsubscribe?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&t=b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

JQ Parent Advisory Council

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Canada

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 2nd education please visit any of the following links:

CPF VANCOUVER FACEBOOK:
www.facebook.com/CPFVancouver

CPF VANCOUVER CHAPTER EMAIL:
cpfvanancouver@gmail.com

CPF BC/YUKON: www.bc-ylk.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.

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.ca¹⁷.

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

RBL Basketball Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 Programs¹⁸

FREE KICK TIMBITS FALL SOCCER

REGISTER HERE¹⁹

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

¹⁷<mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca>

¹⁸<https://rblbasketball.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/RBL-Fall-2023-Winter-2024.pdf>

¹⁹<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.com²⁰

Thank you for reading!

Contact Us



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

²⁰<http://www.freekickfc.com/>

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