

JQ eNews - 2025.04.17

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.ca**³ 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.

Please ask your child to check in with the Office if arriving late, this way we know your child is on site. Thank you.

Band Festival - Wednesday, April 23 - Divisions 1, 2 and 3

Just a reminder that the District Elementary Band Festival follows hot on the heels of this weekend! **WEDNESDAY APRIL 23RD**. Please return the permission slip as soon as possible if you have not already done so, and I would appreciate a courtesy e-mail if you cannot attend.

On **Tuesday**, right after lunch we're going to have a band rehearsal in the Multipurpose room for a combined practice. Please help to remind your child to bring their instrument, especially if it's not a typical band day for their class.

³<mailto:jquattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

On **Wednesday**, we'll be meeting at Magee. They will provide a special warm-up room for our school and students can put their instruments together. **Aim for 5:15 pm arrival at Magee Secondary School** (6360 Maple St./West 47th Ave).

PARENTS, will head to the Gym. **Admission is by donation**, please consider bringing some cash to support the scholarships for VSB students and school music programs.

TIMING: The concert start is 5:45 pm. It will be faster than anticipated as all students will be pre-set in their band formations eliminating transition time between schools. Hopefully, we will be finished earlier. The Magee Jazz band will perform and they are a super inspiring group for our students to check out!

WEAR: Black and RED. If you don't have a JQ t-shirt, a red top or all black.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

All the best,

Mme Young

JQ Music Teacher

Pro-D - Monday, April 28, 2025

A reminder that the school will be closed to students on Monday, April 28th. Staff will be participating in workshops for the District's Indigenous Focus Day.

Early Dismissal for Conferences - Wednesday, April 30 and Thursday, May 1

All JQ students will be dismissed at 2:00 PM, Wednesday April 30 and Thursday May 1, for spring informal learning updates.

Informal learning updates can be done as conferences (parent-teacher, student-led or 3-way) or as a portfolio review with the option of a follow-up conference. Please expect communication from your child's teacher letting you know which informal learning update option they will use, and information explaining how you can sign up for a conference with them.

The purpose of informal learning updates is to:

- Ensure students & caregivers are well-informed about student learning, including strengths & areas for growth in literacy, numeracy, and critical and creative thinking.

- Strengthen reciprocal communication and connection between home and school.

Save the Date - Tuesday, May 13 - Body Science with Saleema Noon (parent session)

Talk Sex Today - Body Science Boot Camp for Parents

Parenthood never arrives with a rulebook, and when it comes to explaining the world of sexual health to your child, it can be hard not to end up a bright shade of red. Using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will show you how easy it is to convey healthy, positive messages about sexual health to kids.

In this workshop parents will learn:

- Why we need to talk to children about sexual health at a young age
- How to reduce risk of child sexual abuse
- What children should know at each stage of development, with specific examples of how to explain concepts and processes using inclusive language
- How to become their kids' go-to source of sexual health information
- How to normalize open, honest sexual health conversations in their family
- How to effectively answer even the toughest questions kids ask
- What will be covered in Body Science workshops for students **Join us via live Zoom!**
- **When: Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 pm.**
- **Zoom Link:** Will be sent directly to parents by email closer to the date.

SPONSORED BY JQ PAC.

For more information about Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators go to www.saleemanoon.com⁴.

⁴<http://www.saleemanoon.com/>

VSB Summer School 2025

A promotional banner for VSB Summer Learning 2025. The top half features a photograph of two young girls with backpacks walking away on a path through greenery. Overlaid on the left is a large, stylized 'V' in white and blue. Text in the upper left corner reads 'VSB Vancouver School Board' and 'SUMMER LEARNING 2025'. The bottom half is an orange bar containing a QR code, registration details for elementary and secondary programs, and their respective start dates.

VSB Vancouver School Board

SUMMER LEARNING
2025

 **ELEMENTARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION**
Begins April 23, 2025 at noon

SECONDARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION
Begins April 30, 2025 at noon

- Registration for Elementary Programs will open on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at noon (12:00 PM) and will close on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 11:59 PM.
- Registration for Secondary Programs will open on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at noon (12:00 PM) and will close on Wednesday, June 11 at 11:59 PM.

Program Schedule:

- Elementary Program: July 3 to July 18, 2025
- Secondary Review/Preview/Remedial/ELL Program: July 3 to July 25, 2025
- Secondary Completion Program: July 3 - August 1, 2025

Please visit the Vancouver School Board website for more information and locations:

VSB Summer Learning 2025⁵

⁵<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>

Yoga Buggy Spring Program - Kindergarten to Grade 3



Yoga Buggy will return to JQ shortly after Spring Break.

Building body positivity, confidence, strength, flexibility, balance, resilience, and social emotional awareness through yoga.

Location: Jules Quesnel Elementary School

When: Thursdays April 10 – June 12 (No class May 1),

Time: 3:00pm - 4:30 pm

Grades K-3 Cost: \$188 - \$20.8/class (9 Classes)

Location: Room 206

Limited Spaces

Please fill out the online form linked here: Yoga Buggy Interest Form⁶

(Filling out the form does not guarantee a spot)

Please reach out to the office or Travis 604 250 6039 for a hard copy form if needed.

Questions?

⁶<https://forms.office.com/r/EFJE7u1Zwe>

**Jules Quesnel Out of School Time
Programs - Spring 2025**



Will you be returning to JQ in September 2025?

Please continue to inform us if you will be moving before September 2025 and are planning to attend another school in the fall. If you are unsure of your future plans or if your situation changes before the end of the school year, please contact the office directly via email to let us know of your updated plans. Thank you.

Lost and Found



Please remember to label belongings your child brings to school so they can be more easily returned if lost. And please remember to check the lost and found regularly for lost items.

A pair of Vera Bradley sunglasses have been handed into the office.

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



The 2023-2024 School Calendar and other information is available on our school website⁷.

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 Calendar⁸ page. Click the List View tab on the Calendar page for list of upcoming events.

Dates to Note in April



Monday, April 14 to Thursday, May 1st: Gymnastics Program at JQ

Friday, April 18: Good Friday - school closed

Monday, April 21: Easter Monday - school closed

Wednesday, April 23: Elementary Band Concert at Magee Secondary. PAC Meeting at 7 pm.

Monday, April 28: District Indigenous Focus Day - no school for students

Wednesday, April 30: Early Dismissal at 2 pm for Conferences

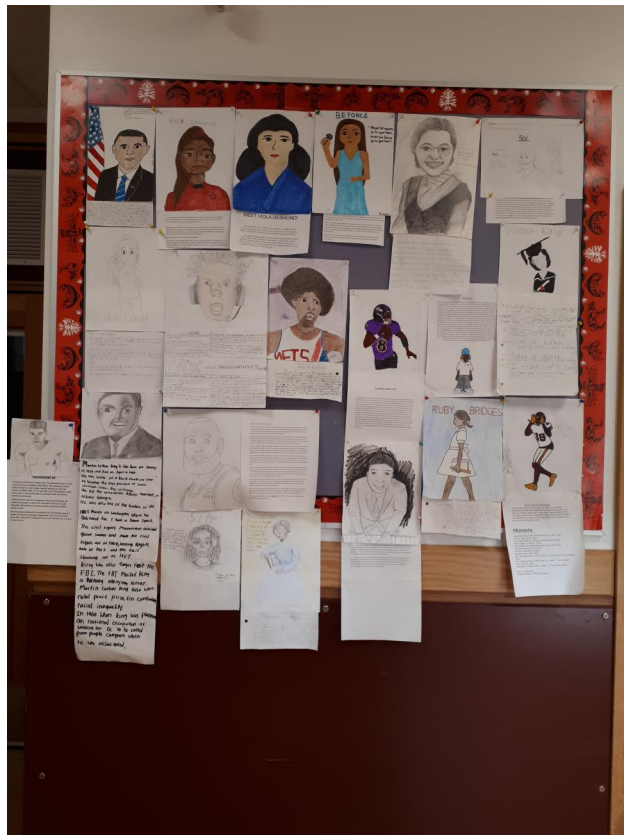
Thursday, May 1: Early Dismissal at 2 pm for Conferences (YogaBuggy Extracurricular cancelled)

⁷<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel>

⁸<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview>

Art in the Hallways











JQ PAC Updates



PAC Meeting - Wednesday, April 23rd at 7 pm

The next PAC meeting of the year is scheduled.

When: Wednesday, April 23rd, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Where: In-person: room 206 on the main floor

Online: Google Meet video call link: <https://meet.google.com/dtt-zhef-onb>

Free childcare: Available for in-person attendees.

The minutes from the February PAC meeting **can found at the following link:** February Minutes⁹

Submitting questions for the PAC meeting: We welcome all PAC-related matters for discussion. To have your questions considered, please submit them by this **Tuesday, April 22nd at 11:59pm** using this form: Click here¹⁰

Extracurricular classes during conferences

Please note that there will be no Yoga Buggy class on Thursday, May 1st during conferences. Extra-curricular class Steam4Kids will run one hour earlier from 2:00 to 3:00 pm.

Spring Extracurricular Activities - Registration open

There's still time to REGISTER!

⁹https://docs.google.com/document/d/1S1IrfUbojFCfWYrJWbBxO8EccHg8l1-h958R9Bm_lyc/edit?usp=sharing

¹⁰<https://julesquesnepac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=08d861b02f&e=35de609226>

The following programs take place after school this Spring. Don't miss out!

Mondays - Lights Up¹¹ - Apr 7 to Jun 23 - 3 to 5:15 pm - Gr K to 7 - \$365

This season's production will be "Magic School Bus". Watch your students recreate Ms Frizzle's adventures in the season's show!

Tuesdays - Petit Architect¹² - Apr 8 to Jun 17 - 3 to 4:35 pm - Gr 1 to 5 - \$352

This very popular program returns for a second time, featuring **all-new activities**. Don't miss your spot!

Wednesdays - STEAM4KIDS¹³ - Apr 9 to Jun 11 - 3 to 4:05 pm - Gr K to 7 - \$187.50

Features exciting hands-on science-based activities, demonstrations, individual & group experiments, and amazing take-homes.

Wednesdays - Smash Volleyball^{14 15} - Apr 30 to Jun 4 - 3 to 4:30 pm - Apr 30 to Jun 4 - \$240

See you in the gym for spikes, serves, and bumps. Will go ahead if enough students register.

Fridays - Pedal Head Soccer^{16 17} (formerly Happy Feet Soccer) - Apr 4 to Jun 20 - 3 to 4 pm - K to 7 - \$195.50

Hang out in the gym after school to practice soccer skills with a new mascot ball!

¹¹<https://lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/jq/>

¹²<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/PetitArchitectDesignforKids?season=3550631&session=65830046>

¹³https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdgrP6zxHLT9otE-q_1BCUWixcm7OrbfHAX1ZDD0jUtD3sbGQ/viewform

¹⁴<https://smashvball.sportngin.com/register/form/155183634>

¹⁵<https://smashvball.sportngin.com/register/form/155183634>

¹⁶[https://pedalheads.com/en/camp?region=1&cities=3&locationName=\[{"name"%3A"Point+Grey+-+Jules+Quesnel+Elementary"%2C"locationIds"%3A\["1723"\]}\]\]&programs=1012&seasons=0&vh=true&ph_search=true#camp-list](https://pedalheads.com/en/camp?region=1&cities=3&locationName=[{)

¹⁷[https://pedalheads.com/en/camp?region=1&cities=3&locationName=\[{"name"%3A"Point+Grey+-+Jules+Quesnel+Elementary"%2C"locationIds"%3A\["1723"\]}\]\]&programs=1012&seasons=0&vh=true&ph_search=true#camp-list](https://pedalheads.com/en/camp?region=1&cities=3&locationName=[{)

Please send any questions to Talia (parent) at jqexcurricular@gmail.com¹⁸

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 & Annie) at jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com²⁰

Hot Lunch Cancellations

If your child is going on a field trip and you need to cancel their hot lunch order, please remember to do so by **6:00 PM the night before** to receive a credit.

- For **Tuesday meals**, cancellations must be made by **6:00 PM on Sunday**.
- For **Thursday meals**, cancellations must be made by **6:00 PM on Tuesday**.

This ensures the lunch provider has time to adjust orders accordingly. Thank you for your cooperation!

Remember you must place your order by 9am the morning before the following day's hot lunch meal. Please email Helene, Kate or Annie at jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com²¹ if you have any questions.

A Huge Thank You! We also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the families who have supported the hot lunch program. Your participation has made this a highly successful fundraiser, directly benefiting our school community. We appreciate your continued support! We are grateful to Annie/Kate/Helene.

PAC Newsletter

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

¹⁸<mailto:jqexcurricular@gmail.com>

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

²⁰<mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com>

²¹<mailto:jqhotlunchpizza@gmail.com>

Add us to your address book²²

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can update your preferences²³ or unsubscribe²⁴

JQ Parent Advisory Council

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Community Links

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

²²<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/vcard?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b>

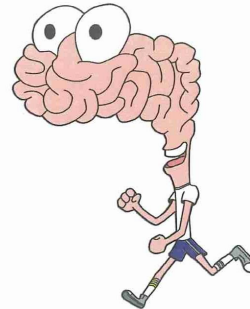
²³<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/profile?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

²⁴<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/unsubscribe?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf68741d5b&t=b&e=afa53965a6&c=a3093351af>

Elmacon Elementary Math Contest - May 3



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Join us on **Saturday, May 3, 2025**
At the University of British Columbia

ELMACON is Vancouver's **elementary math contest** for grades **5 - 7**, which gives students the opportunity to experience math as an **exciting sport!** Prizes include: electronics, gadgets, games, and more!

For registration and more details visit <https://elmacon.org>.

Questions? elmacon@pims.math.ca or (604) 822-3922

Deadline: April 18, 2025

Fee: \$35

Location: UBC Earth Sciences Building, 2207 Main Mall, Vancouver, BC

MAY



SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS is back!

Join the fun and get ready to **CREATE!** on **May 10, 2025**. Science Rendezvous is a **FREE** festival that takes science, technology, engineering, art, and math (**STEAM**) research and innovation out of the lab and into the street.

Visit the Science Rendezvous UBC website at

https://www.sciencerendezvous.ca/event_sites/ubc/

Location: UBC Beaty Biodiversity Museum + Multiple sites on campus.

MAY

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Questions? elmacon@pims.math.ca²⁵ or (604) 822-3922

Deadline: April 18, 2025

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Thank you for reading!

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