



QUILCHENA NEWS

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REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is absent, please call the Quilchena Safe Arrival Line at 604-713-5159 EXT 68#. This way the office can input your child's attendance accurately in our student system first thing in the morning.



Hello Quilchena Families,

We had an eventful month of February at the school. It started off with a dump of snow which made it difficult for drivers on the road but lots of fun for the students. We had so many students bringing sleds to school we had to set up a sled parking lot!

We had Valentines' Day, Lunar New Year celebrations and of course Pink Shirt Day.

Some highlights of the upcoming month include second term reports going home and Spring Break! Thank you to parents who responded to the "Are you Returning to Quilchena" survey from last month. If things change between now and next year, please let us know.

We have an exciting milestone next year to celebrate. Quilchena turns 100! We are in the early stages of preparing for the Centennial. If you have any Quilchena artifacts from years past or would like to help organize this event, please let me know.

Thank you,

Mike Singh
Principal →

VSB
After the Bell: LIVE!
A LEARNING SERIES FOR FAMILIES

DATE: March 11, 2025, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

TOPIC: Helping kids navigate social media, AI and online safety

GUESTS: Christina Walker, Digital Literacy Mentor Teacher
Jeff Spence, District Principal for Learning and Information Technology

SUBMIT QUESTIONS DURING THE LIVE BROADCAST!

Le Carnaval at Quilchena

On February 20th, the French Immersion students and staff celebrated the Québécois winter festival. Students learned about Québécois culture through various stations. They savoured crêpes and cheese with Mme Brittany and M. Pierre. They learned traditional folk dances with Mme Keiver and Mme Jihane. Mme Deragopian and Mme Dinning lead the winter sports station: students skied, rowed and tobogganed in the gym. Mme Bouchet and Mme Meghan taught the arts. Mme Bouchet shared her love of weaving and crochet. Mme Meghan helped build a giant Bonhomme. The day concluded with a visit by the Bonhomme and a traditional dance off in the gym. We are looking forward to next year's Carnaval!



AQA Fundrasing at Work
 Thank you to the PAC for our brand-new scoreboard. Thank you to our wonderful basketball scorekeepers from divisions 1, 2, and 3. Our scorekeepers enjoyed using our scoreboard for the last two home games for the Quilchena Senior basketball team. Congratulations to our team on a great season. Thank you to our parent coach, Jason Cheung and teacher sponsor, Mme Bouchet. Thank you to Ms. Enns for organizing our score keepers.



Fun in the Snow

- Division 5 snow collection and observations
- Division 8F and Division 2 enjoying the snow

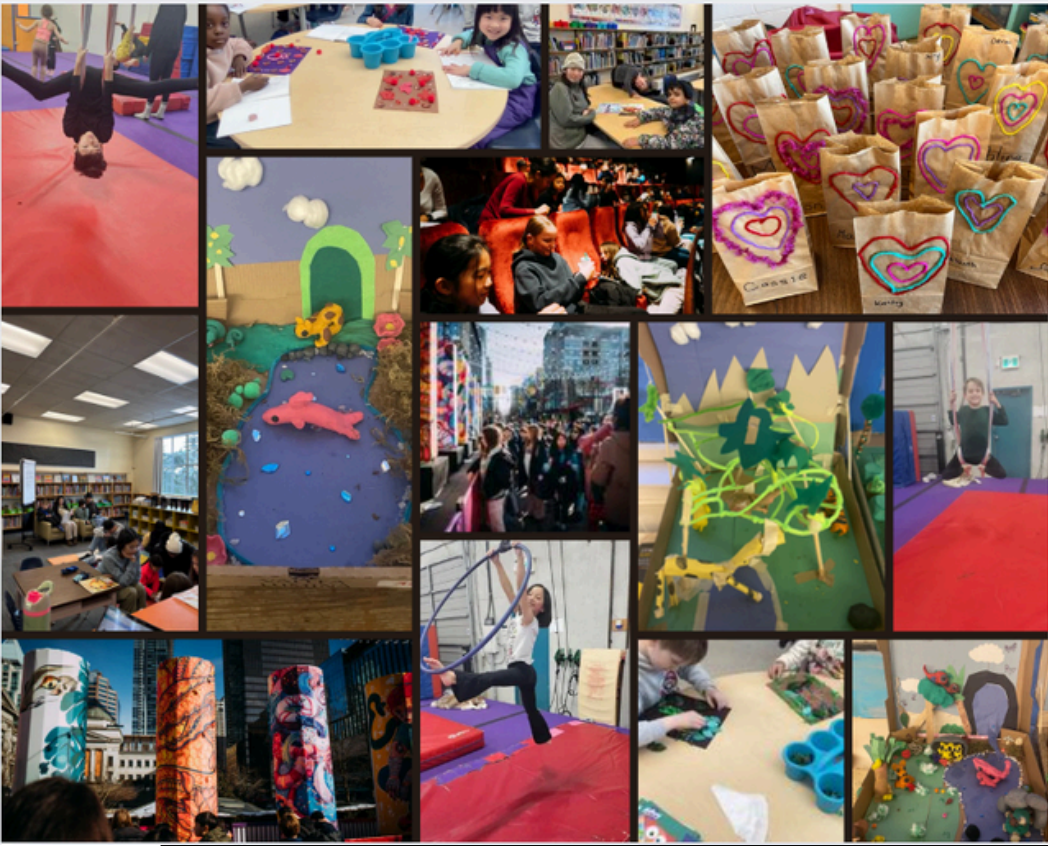


Photo Gallery
 This month's gallery features photos from:

- Division 12F at the Arcane Circus
- Division 9F at Lunar Fest
- Quilchena Point Grey Reading Club
- Divison 10F Biomes
- Division 5 Valentine exchange



Staff Spotlight

Hello Q Families,

My name is Hayley Kellow (students call me Ms. Hayley), and I am the extra clerical support for the office on Wednesdays. I have been with the school board since February 2022 and provide extra clerical support to 3 other schools (Jamieson, Cavell and Emily Carr). Prior to working with the VSB, I worked in the corporate sector in HR and events. Originally from the 'land down under' (so I have a funny accent), I have lived in the UK for 2 years before deciding to move to Canada where I have lived the past 8.5 years. I am an adventure seeker, sunshine chaser, a dog lover, food enthusiast and have a keen interest in hoop and aerial silks as well as resin artwork.

I am very lucky to be working at Quilchena Elementary!



EVENTS FOR MARCH

MONDAY
10 **REPORT CARDS**
Term 2 reports go home

FRIDAY
14 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**
Before 2 week Spring Break

MONDAY
31 **SCHOOL RE-OPENS**
First day of school after Spring Break



EVENTS FOR APRIL

WEDNESDAY
9 **PAC MEETING**
7:00 pm online

FRIDAY
18 **NO SCHOOL**
Good Friday

MONDAY
21 **NO SCHOOL**
Easter Monday

TUESDAY
22 **IMMUNIZATIONS**
AM - Kindergarten students in SPG

WEDNESDAY
23 **EARLY DISMISSAL**
Students dismissed at 2pm for Parent Teacher Conferences

THURSDAY
24 **EARLY DISMISSAL**
Students dismissed at 2pm for Parent Teacher Conferences

MONDAY
28 **NO SCHOOL**
District Wide Indigenous Focus Day for Staff



YOUR PHOTOS BELONG IN THE YEARBOOK!

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- PHOTOS OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN EVENTS LIKE FIELD TRIPS, SPORTS GAMES, PERFORMANCES, AND MORE.
- HIGH-QUALITY AND HIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGES.



HOW TO SUBMIT PHOTOS:

1. SCAN THE QR CODE
2. ADD IN STUDENT NAMES, GRADES AND DIVISIONS.
3. UPLOAD YOUR PHOTOS DIRECTLY!



Privacy Reminder:

- All photos are subject to review and may be featured in the yearbook.

Have questions? Need help? Contact us at quilchenayearbook@gmail.com
Thank you for helping us capture these special moments!

24-25 Yearbook

PRE ORDER NOW!

NOW TO MARCH 31ST
EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

~~\$210~~

\$35



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YEARBOOK WILL BE AVAILABLE
TO STUDENTS IN MID JUNE

Drawing

Classes for Kids

Young Rembrandts

Quilchena Elementary

Grades 1st to 6th

Join springtime fun with Young Rembrandts! If your little artist is captivated by the magic of the movies, they'll love drawing our movie theater scene. Ready for an adventure? Drawing Aladdin's Lamp will be a wish come true! We're also riding the waves with our super cool Surfer & Wave illustration! Our baby dragons lesson will fire up their imagination and teach them to master colour and composition. And to top it all off, we'll draw a stunning portrait of Frida Kahlo to spark their creativity. Sign up today and let the creativity bloom!

classes

tuition

enrollment

Wednesdays

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3:05 PM - 4:15 PM

8 Lessons

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8 Lessons

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Quilchena Elementary School

ROBOTICS & CODING SCHOOL TEAM PROGRAM

3.31-6.20

MONDAY
CODING

3:15-4:45
9 SESSIONS
\$333
(TAX INCLUDED)



WEDNESDAY
ROBOTICS

3:15-4:45
11 SESSIONS
\$406
(TAX INCLUDED)

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4-8 YEARS OLD

WHEN

APR-JUNE

REGISTER NOW!

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PLAY TO PAY DAY - MARCH 1ST ONLY!

Dust off your old recorder (or any instrument you can play B-A-G only) and play us your version of "Hot Cross Buns" at any COBS location and get a free hot cross bun. Delicious never tested (or sounded) so good!

*one hot cross bun reward per person, performance. Available while quantities last. March 1, 2025 only.