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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.

Terry Fox Fundraising

Thank you to the Quilchena School Community for raising a total of \$1913.15. Many thanks to our families for helping us surpass our fundraising goal of \$1800. These funds will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation to support Cancer research.









Hello Quilchena Families,

October has been a busy month! We got to see the primary field turn into a pumpkin patch for a whole day. We had Scarecrows, bales of straw, and, of course, 300 pumpkins! The best part was seeing the students' excitement when they went out onto the field to pick a pumpkin. A big thank you to all the parent volunteers and the PAC who helped organize the event.

The Cross Country season is now complete and we are looking forward to a promising Volleyball season for the gr.6 and 7 students. We will have two senior girls teams and one senior boys team. A big thank you to our teacher sponsors and coaches and our parent and high school volunteer coaches.

Today, we had our annual Halloween Parade. Thank you to all of the parents who came out. There were so many great costumes and a great time was had by all. I hope everyone has a Happy Halloween!

Mike Singh Principal

Cross Country

Our Cross Country season came to a close on the afternoon of Tuesday October 21st at Trout Lake. Our students had a great time and we even got some sunshine! Thank you to M. Pierre, Mme Dinning and Mme Deragopian for organizing this year's team. Thank you to the parents for coming out and supporting our athletes.



Cross Country
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photo credit Meaghan Taylo

Bagged Lunch Project

Division 9F had a bake sale to fundraise for their "bagged lunch" project. Thanks to everyone who supported, they were able to raise \$952.20! Every month they will decorate bags with words of encouragement and positivity and will make lunches that will then be hand delivered to people in need on Vancouver's downtown east side.



Quilchena Pumpkin Patch

A big thank you to the PAC for sponsoring the "Quilchena Pumpkin Patch" this year. A special thank you to Kasey Chittenden for helping coordinate the whole event, which involved getting parent drivers, coordinating high school volunteers from Point Grey, sourcing bales of straw and many other duties. Thank you to the Dunbar Save On Foods for helping supply the pumpkins. Thanks to all of the parents and students who pitched in to help. Thank you to Division 10F, 12F and 13F for making scarecrows for our pumpkin patch. It was a true community effort.



Photo Gallery

This month's gallery features photos from:

- Div 4 Silent Walk and Pop Art
- Div. 5 leaf contest, Fall Harvest art project and field trip to Van Dusen Gardens
- Div 9F Fall art
- Div 8F Dragon
 Boating field trip
- Div 7 Thanksgiving Art























Virtual Information Session: Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship and Cyber-Bullying

Hello families,

We are pleased to welcome you to the next virtual session in our digital literacy series. This conversation will discuss social media awareness, digital citizenship and cyberbullying.

The event details are below:

When: Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2025, from 6 p.m. to

8 p.m.

Where: Virtually through Teams.

Who: Hosted by Safer Schools Together,

through VSB

Registration: Please register by 9 pm on

Friday, Oct. 31, 2025 using this link:

Registration for VSB Virtual Info Session-Nov

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Registrants will receive a direct email with the link to the online session on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2025. This session will not be recorded. We look forward to seeing you there!

Quilchena Spirit Wear

What better way to keep warm than a stylish Quilchena hoodie? By popular demand, we will be selling hooded sweatshirts bearing the iconic wolf logo. Hoodies will be on sale for the next two weeks. They can be purchased on School Cash Online for \$30. Both youth and adult sizes will be available for the same price. Get yours now!





7"Tall logo in white on: YOUTH small and medium

9"Tall logo in white on: other larger sizes

Staff Spotlight

Hello everyone!

My name is Diana Da, and I'm excited to join Quilchena Elementary as a new SSW. My role is to help students succeed both in the classroom and around the school by providing academic support, as well as paying attention to their emotional and daily needs, ensuring that every student can grow in a safe, inclusive, and positive environment.

I grew up in China and completed my master's degree in Japan. Later, I moved to Vancouver with my family and completed the EA program at Langara College. I'm looking forward to using my experiences to help students learn, support students from different backgrounds and make sure everyone feels included. I also speak three languages—Chinese, Japanese, and English—which helps me connect with students and families from diverse communities. I am proud to be an educator and will continue learning and growing along this journey. In my free time, I enjoy yoga, hiking, photography, and traveling around the world to explore different cultures, trying delicious food, and browsing bookstores. I'm thrilled to be part of this school community with a rich history and look forward to learning and growing together with all of you!



Annual Quilchena Appeal (AQA): the PAC's Fundraising Campaign

Rather than ask members of the Quilchena community to participate in many small fundraising events throughout the year, the Quilchena PAC appeals to families to make a direct donation each school year. This is our only fundraising effort for the entire year!



Families benefit: Quilchena families are busy! The direct appeal helps take some of the pressure off families by reducing the time and energy needed for constant fundraising.

Students benefit: 100% of funds raised through the direct appeal can be immediately used to provide an enriching learning experience for students. No fundraising expenses and no third-party payments.

How much should I donate?

The Quilchena PAC aims to raise \$16,000 through the AQA and \$125 per child will enable us to reach that goal. All donations are anonymous and any amount has a positive impact.

We realize everyone's financial situation is different -- you do not have to contribute. If you are able to donate, any amount is welcome and greatly appreciated! Please donate whatever amount works best for your family. What are the funds used for?

The PAC exists to enrich our kids' education, both in and outside of the classroom.

Funds raised by the AQA are used to pay for educational experiences and materials the Vancouver School Board doesn't fund, including:

Classroom resources including arts and crafts supplies, instruments, and technology resources;

Field trips;

Athletic equipment and team uniforms;

Library and classroom furniture;

Educational software licenses;

Books and literacy programs;

Materials for school clubs and much more!

This year we would like to help fund the purchase of student laptops and iPad keyboards

For details on how this money has been spent in previous years, you can review the PAC's recent budgets here.

How do I donate?

Visit School Cash Online

Select "Quilchena Elementary PAC" from the Fund Destination dropdown A tax receipt will be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

You can donate at any time throughout the year.

More details about how to donate, including instructions in Chinese, are found on the PAC's website: quilchenapac.org/home/aqa













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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00 - 12:00	Remembrance Day No School	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	PAC Meting 7PM online	20	21 District Pro D Day No School	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29



