



## JQ eNews - 2023.12.08

JQ eNews, including information about school procedures, activities and events is emailed to families every week. Please also visit the VSB website<sup>1</sup> and the JQ school website<sup>2</sup> for information regarding district and school events.

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.vsb.bc.ca/>

<sup>2</sup><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**, prior to 9:00 am on the first day of the absence. **Parents can also email [JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca)<sup>3</sup> to report student absences.**

If your child arrives late to school, they should report to the office and sign-in.

If you are picking up a student for an appointment during the day, please email [JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca)<sup>4</sup> 24 hours in advance as well as emailing the classroom teacher. Please allow extra time for pick-up. If possible, we suggest picking up your child at the beginning or end of one of the breaks in order to minimize classroom disruptions.

- Recess Break: 10:40 - 11:00 am
- Lunch Break: 12:10 - 12:57 pm

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## Sibling priority for Kindergarten in September 2024

**Do you have a child applying for a District Choice Program Kindergarten in September 2024 who has an older sibling in the program?**

As you may know Kindergarten 2024 registration started November 1. The online District Choice Program application process is open from January 8 to February 2, 2024.

If you currently have a child at **Jules Quesnel** in grades K to 6 and have a **younger child you are intending to register in Kindergarten for September 2024, if you have not already done so**, please email Liz in the office at [etoone@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:etoone@vsb.bc.ca) before **Friday, December 15th**.

**Thank you to the families who have already informed us that they will have a sibling entering Kindergarten in September 2024.**

An email to the School Office does not act as registration for kindergarten, this question is being asked to gauge the number of siblings entering the District Choice Programs for Kindergarten in September 2024. To register your child, you **MUST**:

- register your child at their neighbourhood catchment school

AND

- apply online to the Kindergarten District Choice Program between January 8 and February 2 indicating the child is the sibling of a current student in the French Immersion program.

Please contact the school if you have any questions.

## When your child feels unwell

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Please see below the information from Vancouver Coastal Health for parents on things to consider if a child feels unwell.

Things to consider if your child feels unwell:

1. The wellbeing of your child. Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
2. The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
3. The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
4. The protection of other children.

Please keep your child home if they:

- Have a fever.
- Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities.
- Have a suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox, measles).

- Is vomiting or has diarrhea. It is recommended that students be symptom free at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Keep your child home until they are able to participate fully in normal school activities or as told by a health care provider.

Please let the school know your child's symptoms, as per the school's call back procedures.

If the school finds it necessary to send your child home because of illness, please make sure you have arranged an emergency contact if you are not available. Inform your school of these arrangements.

## **Art Cards by Kids - deadline extension to Sat. Dec. 9th**

Art Cards by Kids will allow late orders until **Saturday, December 9th at midnight PST**. This is the final window for any parents wishing to place an order and no more orders can be accepted after this deadline due to time constraints.

Please see instructions on the back of the sample card and use the RED code to place an order should you wish to do so. Go to [www.artcardsbykids.com](http://www.artcardsbykids.com)<sup>5</sup> and click on PARENT ORDER. Prices are indicated online and range in cost depending on the product. Minimum order is 8 cards.

Thank you for your support of this Grade 7 fundraising activity.

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<sup>5</sup><http://www.artcardsbykids.com/>

## Dress for cold and rainy weather



The rainy season has arrived. Please make sure that your child has appropriate weather to play outside during recess and lunch. **It is also suggested that students have a spare set of clothing** in the classroom in case of falls/accidents during outdoors time.

## JQ PAC Updates



## Winter Extra-Curricular Activities - new Yoga Buggy classes (time-sensitive)

Sign up for extracurriculars at JQ!

## MiniMakers

There are limited spots available in Cohort 3, starting next week. Sessions take place Dec 4, 11, 18 immediately after school and are interesting for all ages. Registration is available through the Minimakers website<sup>6</sup>.

**Winter Programs** are filling up quickly.

- **HappyFeet Soccer** is filled.
- **Young Rembrandts Gr 1** is filled.
- **Young Rembrandts Gr 2 – 6** group has limited spots available. Sign up to get a spot on Wednesdays.<sup>7</sup>

1 spot in each program is reserved for subsidies. They will be released on Friday. If anyone would like to register their student but needs financial assistance, please reach out to our principal before Friday.

**NEW! Yoga Buggy<sup>8</sup> is coming to JQ!**

**Thursdays / 3:05 – 4:30 / Jan 18 – Mar 14 / \$146 (subsidies available) / Grades 1- 7 (divided into 2 classes)**

The yoga classes, which are taught in a fun, child-friendly manner, can help to build attention span, self-regulation, body positivity, confidence, strength, flexibility, balance, resilience, and social-emotional awareness. Yoga mats are provided.

Registration is different this time around as we're signing up with help from our Community School Coordinator.<sup>9</sup>

1. **Complete the interest form<sup>10</sup> by Sunday, December 3**
2. A random draw will take place to select registrants
3. Those selected will be contacted to register

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<sup>6</sup><https://minimakers.ca/event/ecole-jules-quesnel-cohort-3/>

<sup>7</sup><https://campscui.active.com/orgs/youngrembrandtsmetrovancover#/selectSessions/3416639/filter/session=61192239>

<sup>8</sup><https://www.yogabuggy.com/>

<sup>9</sup><https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5052/community-school-teams>

<sup>10</sup><https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=W6KCzB7CEq6t9dVWeDjpW5YHIZRh2FHjsJlx9dlsFxUNUNMSUyUDJV1k1WEZEWE9XTkNKTUg3Ry4u>

## Hot Lunch & Pizza Days



Dear JQ families,

Our 2023-24 Hot Lunch and Pizza Days are well underway. A very big 'THANK YOU' to those families who have been placing orders and supporting our fundraising for this year's Grade 7 trip!

Ordering for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days is ongoing through our user-friendly online ordering platform [www.munchalunch.com](http://www.munchalunch.com)<sup>11</sup>

Hot Lunch days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, supplied by Calhoun's Catering. Pizza Days are on Fridays, supplied by Dominos. **For your convenience, the ordering deadline for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days is**

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<sup>11</sup><https://www.munchalunch.com>



**the day before at 8 am.** You may place orders for as many hot lunch and pizza dates as you like at one time. Order once and it's done!

We are pleased that meals provided by our new Hot Lunch vendor for this year have been getting very positive reviews. The food is high quality, and there are a wide variety of menu items to choose from, including many vegetarian options. And, as an added feature, a number of meals are customizable to your child's appetite!

Go to [munchalunch.com/schools/julesquesnel](http://munchalunch.com/schools/julesquesnel) to take a look at our menu offerings and to get ordering! Your child will thank you:-)

Sincerely,

Adrienne Lipson

Hot Lunch Coordinator

PS: If you have any questions about Hot Lunch or Pizza Day, or need any assistance, please email [jqgradeseven2024@gmail.com](mailto:jqgradeseven2024@gmail.com). Please do not contact MunchaLunch support directly - the JQ Hot Lunch Coordinator can help with any MunchaLunch issues.

*NOTE: PLEASE SUPPLY YOUR CHILD WITH CUTLERY ON HOT LUNCH DAYS*

## Community Links

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

### YMCA Generation Health FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle family 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 Obesity 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 5 program days to choose from: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 6:30-8:30 pm. This program requires prior registration through these details: phone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to [generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca](mailto:generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca)<sup>12</sup>.*

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

### RBL Basketball Winter Break Camps

Printable Version of 2023/2024 Winter Break Camps<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>12</sup><mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca>

Registration is online at RBLBasketball.com<sup>14</sup>.

## Point Grey Village - Winter Party - Dec 9

Seasons Greetings!

The Point Grey Village BIA is throwing our third annual Winter Party.

### **Winter Party on December 9th, 2023, 12pm – 5pm**

This year we are doing it bigger and better than last year.

- **Join us under our heated marquee tent at West 10th Avenue and Sasamat Street**
- Free photos with Santa Willy
- Nerdy Elves musical performances and singalongs
- Free hot chocolate and maple taffy sticks
- Holiday Crafts table

## School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



**Monday, December 25 to Friday, January 5** - School closed for winter break.

**Monday, January 8, 2024** - School reopens after winter break.

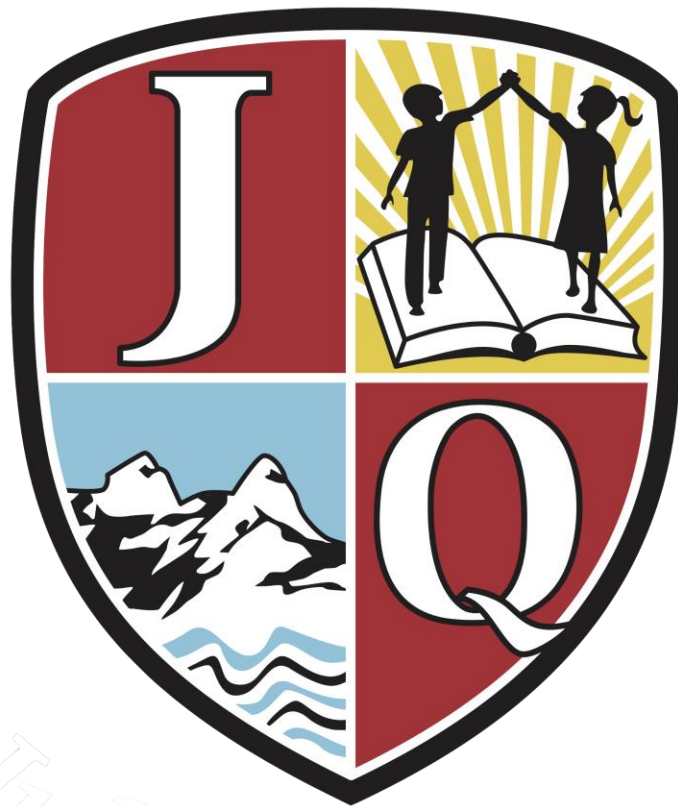
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<sup>13</sup>[https://rblbasketball.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2023\\_4-Winter-Break-Camps.pdf](https://rblbasketball.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2023_4-Winter-Break-Camps.pdf)

<sup>14</sup><http://rblbasketball.com/>

Thank you for reading!

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

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