

JQ eNews - 2023.11.17

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



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 <u>JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca</u> 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 <u>JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca</u> 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

Fresh to You Fundraiser - Thank you for your support!



If you ordered Fresh to You Fundraiser bundles and haven't picked them up yet, please come to room 130 between 8:45 and 9:15 am or 2:45 and 3:30 pm Monday November 20 to pick up bundles.

The school raised almost \$700! Thank you to everyone that participated. If you missed out this year, look for the JQ Fresh to You Fundraiser again next fall.

Lego Request

Mme Dosen (grade 3 teacher in Div 7) is reaching out to see if by any chance some JQ families would be willing to donate Lego pieces and board games to build stations for her centre time. Please email <u>studentrecordsquesnel@vsb.bc.ca</u> if you have any that you would like to donate. Thank you!

Lost and Found



The JQ lost and found is once again full of lost items.

A great way to help school staff return lost items to their owners is to label your children's clothes. Children's clothes, especially jackets, usually come with a fill in the blank name tag like the one in the images below. Or you can write your child's name on the garment tag, or on the garment itself.

Please remind your child to check the lost and found for lost items, or check the lost and found yourself. If the weather permits, we'll try to get the lost and found outside before and after school next week.

Unclaimed lost and found items will be donated after Friday November 10.







Changes to report card proficiency scale

Provincial Proficiency Scale

Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
Emerging means your child is beginning to understand something in an area of learning. They are still learning but may need more support to move ahead. Emerging doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Developing means your child understands some things in an area of learning but still has other areas to work on. Like Emerging, it doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Proficient is the goal for your child. It's also the goal for all students. When your child is Proficient, it means they fully understand the required learning. But it doesn't mean their learning stops.	Extending is when students show a deeper understanding. It's when your child is able to apply their learning in new and different ways. Extending is not the goal for all students in every area of learning.



All VSB elementary school students will bring home Written Learning Update 1 Friday December 1.

For information from the VSB and the Ministry of Education and Child Care regarding changes to reporting in BC schools, please click on the links below.

Changes to reporting include a shift to a standard Provincial Proficiency Scale that gives students, parents and caregivers a clear understanding of what students can do now and areas for future growth. The proficiency scale makes learning the focus rather than the comparison with others. In grades 10-12 teachers will continue to use percentages to report on student learning as post-secondary institutions still use letter grades and percentages as part of the admissions process.

The proficiency scale has gone from a 7-point to a 4-point scale, prompting teachers to be more definite about where a student is on their learning journey. Explanations of each of the four points on the scale (emerging, developing, proficient and extending) are given in the links below. Remember, while proficient is the goal for learners, emerging and developing don't mean a child is unsuccessful in a given area, but rather that they're at the beginning of or somewhere along their personal path to proficiency.

VSB K-7 Reporting Information for Parents and Caregivers

https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/reporting/resources-for-parents-and-caregivers

https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/

Please help model safety in the parking lot





A reminder that the parking lot is for school staff and Byng pool staff only between the hours of 07:45 am and 3:30 pm. It should not be used for pick-up and drop off of students during these hours. For everyone's safety, we ask families to walk around the lot, rather than across the middle of the lot during drop-off and pick-up. Walking around is the safest option and reinforces our message to students when they head outside for recess. Thank you for keeping our students' safety at heart.

Tips for Student Safety on the way to and from school

As the days become shorter and it gets darker before and after school, please talk to your children about staying safe when away from home.

For safety tips for children traveling to and from school, please view the links below.

- <u>BC RCMP "Street Proofing" Safety Tips</u>
- VPD Children and Teen Safety

Kindergarten Registration



www.vsb.bc.ca/kindergarten

Kindergarten registration for children born in 2019 begins on November 1.

All kindergarten applicants are required to submit an application to their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for 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 application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

For French Immersion applicants, applying for kindergarten is a **3-step process**:

Step 1: Online Application (ApplyNow)

 Completion of an online application form (<u>https://applynow.vsb.bc.ca/</u>) for the school year 2024-25

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 Choice Program or cross-boundary, you must first apply to your English catchment elementary school. Choice Programs and Cross Boundary applications will begin to be accepted in early 2024.

Step 3: Register online for a Choice Program between **January 8 and February 2, 2024 at 4 pm** at the following link: https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/

A 9 digit Student Personal Education Number will be required. This will be generated for children already 5 years old once your documents have been verified at the English Catchment School and for children who are 4 years old, the PEN will be generated after January 1st, 2024. The PEN will be emailed directly to parents.

For more information on kindergarten registration visit: <u>http://www.vsb.bc.ca/kindergarten</u>

Finally, please let Liz (<u>etoone@vsb.bc.ca</u>) in the office know if you will have a sibling entering Kindergarten in September 2024. Jules Quesnel siblings will receive priority placement at the school.

Note: There will be **no priority** given to registrants with siblings if they register after January 31.

Please don't send children to school with trading cards or other valuables



JQ families, please don't send children to school with trading cards or other valuables. Students are bringing cards to school to trade or sell to one another and this is causing conflict between students.

Thank you.

Coughs and Colds



Respiratory illnesses are beginning to circulate within the community. The latest guidance from Vancouver Coastal Health is:

Students who are exhibiting symptoms of illness, including respiratory and gastrointestinal illness, should stay home until they are well enough to participate in regular activities. Those who are vomiting or have diarrhea should be symptom-free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

If a member of the household is sick, children can continue to attend school and masking is not required.

School staff will continue to encourage regular hand washing. Masks are available in the school office should a student wish to request one at any time.

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.

MyForms



Thank you to parents/guardians who have already completed forms online. We are appealing to those who have not yet had time to do so, to please complete the following forms online at https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca.

The Media Consent forms are the ones for which we need to know whether you give or do not give your consent. The CASL Consent form is also important. Thank you.

- 1. Adobe CC Acknowledgement of Use (for students) parents can disregard
- 2. Adobe CC Consent Form (for parents/guardians) parents can disregard
- 3. CASL Consent Form 2023-2024 (for parents and guardians)
- 4. External Media Consent Form 2023-2024
- 5. G4-12 Student AUP (Acceptable Use of Technology)
- 6. K-3 Student AUP (Acceptable Use of Technology)
- 7. Neighbourhood Class Walk Consent
- 8. VSB Media Consent 2023-2024

The PEN (Personal Education No.) and your child's date of birth are required. A student's PEN can be retrieved at the following: <u>https://kchoice.vsb.bc.ca/penrequest.aspx</u>

For more information and/or help with MyForms, please click <u>HERE</u>.

In addition, a paper copy of the following forms will be sent home:

1. Personal Information Verification Form (Will be distributed to students - individualized) – Required

2. Reunification Form (*Will be distributed to new students who do not have an older sibling at the school*) – *Required*

3. Medical Information Sheet (*Copy will be sent to students with known medical conditions.*) *Please ask the office for the form if your child has a medical condition and the school has not yet been informed.*

JQ at a glance

Click on the photo stack below to see what's been happening at JQ.









JQ PAC Updates



PAC Meeting

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the October PAC meeting. We had yet another engaging meeting. Please find <u>here</u> the meeting minutes. We look forward to seeing you during the next meeting on **November 29, 2023 6:30 pm**.

Winter Extra-Curricular Activities

Registration for Winter Extracurricular Activities are open! You may now sign up your student(s) for the following activities:

Young Rembrandts Art

Wednesdays / Jan 24th - Mar 13th / \$176 (tax incl) / Grades 1 - 6 from 3:05pm - 4:15pm

Grade 1 can register here

HappyFeet Soccer

Fridays / Jan 12th – Mar 15th / \$170 / 3:05 – 4:05pm / all grades (K – 7) Join the **indoor soccer** program on Fridays this Fall! The **30 available spots** are split into age-appropriate groups, where students will learn and build skills in a non-competitive setting.

More information and registration here.

See you in the **gymnasium**! Subsidies Available: Please contact JQ principal Vital Peeters <<u>vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca</u>>, before winter break, if you require financial help. We are working towards adding other programs, so stay tuned!

Superbes Artistes & Photographes

Congratulations to the five winners for October, which were all selected at random for the submissions received: **Phoebe, Eleanor, Aria, Felix, and Elena. An email will be sent to each of the five winners as a confirmation.** Please check out all the submissions we received for the month at the <u>following link</u>.

Continuing the SAP contest for the month of November, the theme will be **"Remembrance and Kindness"** to recognize Remembrance day 🛞 and World Kindness day 😴. Students can send us a photo or artwork on these themes. The deadline is **Dec 1, 2023.** We look forward to your submissions. Amusezvous bien!

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 <u>www.munchalunch.com</u>

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 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 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. 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.

UBC x SAP Workshop for Gr 7-8 Girls

If you're a Grade 7 or 8 girl who is passionate about science and technology, searching for an opportunity to visit one of the most innovative workspaces in the world, or curious about pursuing STEM after high school, register today for UBC GIRLsmarts4tech x SAP Canada's all-day tech workshop on Saturday, November 18, from 9:00am- 4:00pm. This unique event is taking place at SAP's downtown office, where attendees will receive an office tour, robotics and programming tutorials, and more! No experience needed. Register now: cs.ubc.ca/girlsmarts4tech/registration! Please direct any questions togirlsmarts@gmail.com.

Dunbar Tutors



Carousel Theatre Youth Program



At CTYP, we believe drama classes play a pivotal role in fostering personal growth and development among young people. We're so excited to open up our Winter Drama Registration to continue to cultivate creativity, self-expression, and confidence among youth! Classes fill up quickly, so be sure to register today for a whimsical Winter here at Carousel!

DRAMA MINIS AND JUNIORS

Classes run January 13/14 to March 16/17, 2024

PRE-TEEN & TEEN DRAMA*

Classes run January 14 to June 16, 2024

*NEW - Extended session for PreTeens & Teens!

NO CLASS MARCH 24th, 31st OR MAY 19th

PRICES VARY PER AGE

Mini Drama Classes | CTYP Drama School (carouseltheatre.ca)

Faraday Science Show for Kids (Free!)

Here is a message from UBC Physics & Astronomy students, faculty and staff.

We are thrilled to announce the date for our 2023 annual Faraday Show, a science lecture + demos for Kids of All Ages!

WHERE: <u>HEBB Theatre</u> 2045 East Mall, UBC Vancouver campus. The <u>North Parkade</u> is the closest parking lot to the HEBB building.

WHEN: SUNDAY, December 3rd, 2023

- Pre-Show (table top demonstrations): 1:15PM 1:55PM
- Stage Show (stage presentations): 2:00PM 3:00PM

COST: FREE! We ask that you please bring non-perishable food items to support Greater Vancouver Food Bank member, The Kettle Society. No RSVP required, though we recommend arriving 15-20 minutes earlier for good seats.

The Faraday Show is UBC's annual science lecture, designed for children and presented by UBC Physics & Astronomy students, faculty and staff. This year we are exploring the wonders of space! How do rockets get into orbit? How big are our planets? How explosive is compressed air? Can you make a crater? What do black holes eat? All these questions and more will be answered through fun demos and hands-on activities. More information can be found <u>here</u>.

All are welcome! Questions? Contact us at outreach@phas.ubc.ca, or tel: 604.822.0596.

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



Friday, November 24 - Professional Development Day (Indigenous Focus) - No School for students

Thank you for reading!

Contact Us



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