

# JQ eNews - 2023.11.23

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.

<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<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<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

#### Indigenous Focus Non-instructional Day - Fri. Nov. 24

A reminder that there will be no school for students on **Friday, November 24th** as staff will be participating in an Indigenous Focus Day.

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## 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.







# 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<sup>5</sup>

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>s</sup><u>https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/vsb-k-7-reporting-info-for-parents-and-caregivers.a5225c68848.pdf</u>

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.

- BC RCMP "Street Proofing" Safety Tips<sup>6</sup>
- VPD Children and Teen Safety<sup>7</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup><u>https://bc-cb.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/ViewPage.action?siteNodeld=2076&languageId=1&contentId=21081</u> <sup>7</sup><u>https://vpd.ca/crime-prevention-safety/children-teen-safety/</u>

#### **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 (etoone@vsb.bc.ca<sup>8</sup>) 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>mailto:etoone@vsb.bc.ca

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 HERE<sup>9</sup>.

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 PAC Updates



# PAC Meeting - Wed. Nov. 29 - 6:30 pm

#### PAC Meeting

The PAC meeting for November will be hosted in a hybrid format. The agenda will be circulated early next week.

#### When: Wednesday, November 29, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Where: Room 206 on the main floor and Zoom

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6507498613?pwd=Qm90MXZZckY3Yzk2VTFKdWgyOHExZz09

Meeting ID: 650 749 8613

Passcode: 021131

Submitting questions for the PAC meeting: To ensure your questions, including related to new business, are possibly considered for discussion we encourage you to submit them prior to our meeting. Please submit questions by Monday, **November 27th at 11:59pm** by using this form: <a href="https://forms.gle/i81TNRGAk6BtvJou8">https://forms.gle/i81TNRGAk6BtvJou8</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-quesnel/page/67413/myforms

# Parent Ed Event: Neufeld Institute - Thurs. Nov. 30 - 6:30 pm

We are excited to invite you to our first Parent/Guardian Education and Engagement event of the year on **Thursday, November 30, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the school's gymnasium.** 

Hosted by Patti Drobot, a registered professional counsellor and adjunct faculty member at the Neufeld Institute, in this presentation parents and professionals will learn why the relationship with our children is the most important factor in their development, and how adults can deepen their attachments with the children in their care. We will cover why children need to keep soft hearts and have their tears, and how we can help them develop resilience and maturity. We will discuss theory and give practical suggestions. This presentation is an excellent introduction to the developmental approach to raising children.

# To register for the event, please sign up on the Eventbrite page<sup>10</sup>. Please note that the cost for the event is \$10.

To find out more about Patti, you can visit her website<sup>11</sup>. For any questions on the event, please reach out to jqpacexec@gmail.com<sup>12</sup>. Looking forward to seeing you for this informative event.

#### 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<sup>13</sup>

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

Grade 1 can register here<sup>14</sup> - Class currently full, please add your child's name to the waitlist

Grades 2 – 6 can register here<sup>15</sup>

HappyFeet Soccer<sup>16</sup>

**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.

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- manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=babfb375e2&e=afa53965a6 <sup>12</sup>mailto:jqpacexec@gmail.com

<sup>15</sup>https://campscui.active.com/orgs/YoungRembrandtsMetroVancouver?season=3416639&session=61192239

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup><u>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>https://www.youngrembrandts.com/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup><u>https://campscui.active.com/orgs/YoungRembrandtsMetroVancouver?season=3416639&session=61193039</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup><u>https://www.happyfeetvancouver.ca/</u>

More information and registration here.<sup>17</sup>

See you in the **gymnasium**! Subsidies Available: Please contact JQ principal Vital Peeters <vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca<sup>18</sup>, before winter break, if you require financial help. We are working towards adding other programs, so stay tuned!

#### **Art Cards**



Please keep an eye out for the annual Art cards project to be coming home with your child in the coming weeks. This is a grade 7 fundraiser whereby students are given the opportunity to create a unique work of art on a 11 x 17 piece of card stock, from which greeting cards can be produced. Please note that not all classes are necessarily participating in this project this year. We anticipate receiving the cards back during the last week of school before the winter break - December 18 to 22. Thank you for your continued support of the grade 7 class fundraising initiatives.

If your child brought their Art Card home to finish, please return it to school on Monday, November 27, when they will be shipped out by courier. Thank you.

# **Superbes Artistes & Photographes**

As part of "Tissons des Liens," the SAP – Student Art & Photo/ Superbes Artistes & Photographes" contest for the month of November, will feature the theme "Remembrance and Kindness" to recognize Remembrance Day 🍇 and World Kindness Day 😇. Students can send us a photo or artwork on these themes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup>https://www.happyfeetvancouver.ca/jules-quesnel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>mailto:vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca

We ask that interested students and families work on their projects/photos at home, and submit them here https://jqpac.com/sap-contest/<sup>19</sup>

To respect the privacy of our students, please provide only the student's first name and no images of your children.

The deadline is Dec 1, 2023. Have fun and we look forward to your submissions. Amusez-vous bien!

#### Hot Lunch & Pizza Days



<sup>19</sup><u>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-</u> manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=cf8205630a&e=afa53965a6 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<sup>20</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 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.

#### 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!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>https://www.munchalunch.com

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<sup>21</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>22</sup>

Registration is online at RBLBasketball.com<sup>23</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.

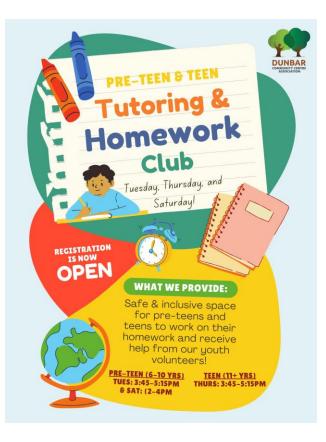
- Join us under our heated marquee tent at West 10th Avenue and Sasamat Street
- Free photos with Santa Willy
- Nerdy Elves musical performances and singalongs
- Free hot chocolate and maple taffy sticks
- Holiday Crafts table

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>mailto:generationhealth@gv.ymca.ca

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>https://rblbasketball.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2023 4-Winter-Break-Camps.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup><u>http://rblbasketball.com/</u>

#### **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)<sup>24</sup>

## 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: HEBB Theatre<sup>25</sup> 2045 East Mall, UBC Vancouver campus. The North Parkade<sup>26</sup> 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 here<sup>27</sup>.

All are welcome! Questions? Contact us at outreach@phas.ubc.ca<sup>28</sup>, or tel: 604.822.0596.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup><u>https://www.carouseltheatre.ca/dramaschoolclasses/mini-drama-classes-winter</u><sup>25</sup><u>https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-</u>

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#### **School Calendar & Upcoming Dates**



Friday, November 24 - Non-instructional Day - Indigenous Focus - No School for students.
Wednesday, November 29 - PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm, online and in person - Rm 206.
Thursday, November 30 - PAC Parent Education Event from 6:30 to 8:00 pm - school gymnasium.
Friday, December 1 - Report Cards go home.
Monday, December 25 to Friday, January 5 - School closed for winter break.
Monday, January 8, 2024 - School reopens after winter break.

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>.

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