



JQ eNews - 2024-03-04

JQ eNews, including information about school procedures, activities and events is emailed to families every week. Please also visit the VSB website¹ and the JQ school website² for information regarding district and school events.

¹<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/>

²<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.ca³ 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.ca⁴ 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

Class Photos - Monday, March 11

Class photos will be taken during the morning of **Monday, March 11th**. This will be a photograph of the whole class and not an individual student photo.

³<mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

⁴<mailto:JQUattendance@vsb.bc.ca>

Written Learning Update 2

A second Written Learning Update will be sent home with your child on **Tuesday March 12.**

Dress for cold and rainy weather

As the weather continues to be unsettled, 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.

Spring Break Dates



The school will be closed for Spring Break from **Monday, March 18th to Monday, April 1st (Easter Monday)** and will reopen on **Tuesday, April 2nd.**

Will your child be returning to Jules Quesnel in September 2024?

In order for the VSB to plan staffing and class size organization for next year, could you kindly let us know as soon as possible if your child will **NOT** be returning to JQ in September 2024.

If your child will be returning, NO ACTION is required on your part and your child will automatically move to the next grade.

If you are unsure, any information you can provide the school would be most helpful. Thank you.

Scholastic Book Fair - missing payment

Dear Parents,

A credit card payment for the purchase of a book from the Scholastic Book Fair did not go through the machine correctly. The purchase was made on February 15th at 3:06 pm through Visa card ending in 5940. If this purchase belongs to you, could you kindly contact Mme. Brigitte in the School Library.

Email: battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca⁵

Thank you.

Lost & Found



Please check the lost and found rack located outside the north entrance to the gym for missing items. Smaller items such as watches, necklaces, etc. are in the display case just outside the office, please let the office know if any of these items belongs to you.

Please label your child's clothing and belongings with their name so it's easier for school staff to return lost items to their owners.

⁵<mailto:battalinetherton@vsb.bc.ca>

School Calendar & Upcoming Dates



Check the JQ school website calendar⁶ for upcoming school events, and the JQ Elementary Calendar 2023-2024⁷ for a quick overview of this school year's important, pro d and non-instructional dates.

Monday, March 11 - Class Photo Day

Tuesday, March 12 - Written Learning Update 2 sent home to families

Thursday, March 14 - Performance for whole school - Karima Essa Body Positive Bollywood Show

Monday, March 18 to Monday, April 1 - School Closed for Spring Break and Easter Monday

JQ PAC Updates



PAC Meeting Update

PAC Meeting: Thank you to everyone who joined us for the last PAC meeting. We had an active discussion, including on many questions⁸ that were submitted by families. The minutes will be circulated in the coming week.

⁶<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/jules-guesnel/page/2257/calendar?tab=monthview>

⁷<https://media.vsb.bc.ca/media/Default/medialib/jq-elementary-calendar-2023-2024.29f94568110.pdf>

⁸<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pbNeI7pgam95UqW61M7Fvx95I10V0fFXKGHNDi5IgXc/edit?usp=sharing>

Our **April 24th PAC Meeting** will host guests from The Society for Children and Youth of BC (SCY) for a presentation about a Walking⁹ School Program¹⁰ they are running. We will keep you updated about the above.

Road Safety

A reminder about road safety around school that was sent in the last newsletter. The PAC would love to hear from you. We ask you to bring forward concerns, ideas, and suggestions on how to improve road safety and reduce congestion around JQ and the neighbouring schools. Please include your comments in this document here¹¹, and thank you to everyone who has contributed.

JQ PAC has been in discussions with the PACs at Lord Byng, and Queen Elizabeth on collectively working to improve road safety, and support advocacy efforts.

Our April PAC meeting will host guests from The Society for Children and Youth of BC (SCY) for a presentation about Walking¹² School Program¹³ they are running. We will keep you updated about the above.

PAC - Spring Extra-Curricular Activities - Register

REGISTER FOR SPRING ACTIVITIES NOW

LightsUp Theatre <<https://lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/jq/>>

Mondays / Apr 8 – Jun 17 / Grades K- 7/ 3:05 – 5:15 / \$345

Students will build self-confidence in this year's musical theatre performance of "The Lorax". Parents will be invited to attend a season-end performance! Check out the attached flyer.

WizeAcademy <<https://app.amilia.com/store/en/wize-academy-of-vancouver-south-richmond/shop/programs>>

Tuesdays / Apr 23 – Jun 11 / Grades 2 – 7 / 3:05 – 4:30 / \$315

Coding and Modding in Minecraft! Students are challenged to think logically and apply their critical reasoning skills to create mods by learning to write and deploy code in the Minecraft environment. No prior coding experience needed.

⁹<https://scyofbc.org/kid-commute/>

¹⁰<https://scyofbc.org/kid-commute/>

¹¹https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fbxu_9M6PmsvVBkzV_bQA3Vm9np040uXYRN-nPBlgfU/edit

¹²<https://scyofbc.org/kid-commute/>

¹³<https://scyofbc.org/kid-commute/>

Young Rembrandts <<https://www.youngrembrandts.com/find-a-class/>>

Wednesdays / Apr 24 – Jun 12 / Grades 1 – 6 / 3:05 – 4:15 / \$176

Your student will draw an array of things, from motorcycles, hummingbirds, a Beethoven portrait, and the butterfly life cycle! Check out the attached flyer for details.

HappyFeet Soccer <<https://www.happyfeetvancouver.ca/jules-guesne/>>

Fridays / Apr 12 - Jun 21 / Grades K - 7 / 3:03 – 4:05 / \$211

Back by popular demand! Enroll your student and burn some of that energy before the weekend begins in this non-competitive soccer class.

Please email the principal, vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca¹⁴ if you require a subsidy.

Email your extracurricular activities questions to jqextracurricular@gmail.com¹⁵

Request for Volunteers on Pizza Fridays

A special thank you to those who have made it out to help distribute pizza on Fridays! Your help has been greatly appreciated.

We are still in need of more parent/guardian volunteers from now until the end of the school year. If you are free on a Friday from 11:30 to 12:00 pm, please sign up for a shift using the following link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1WlhwQw3SGgePsEHAE74ho4FC6onMrUaNXDfPyKO8L48/edit?usp=sharing>. After presenting yourself to the office as a parent volunteer, please meet in the Multipurpose room on the ground floor (entrance by the staff parking lot). All Pizza Friday proceeds go towards the Gr 7 year-end trip. Thank you all for your support!

2023/2024 Gr 7 Fundraising Committee

¹⁴<mailto:vpeeters@vsb.bc.ca>

¹⁵<mailto:jqextracurricular@gmail.com>

Hot Lunch & Pizza Days



HOT LUNCH & PIZZA DAYS UPDATE! WINTER SESSION IS OPEN!

Dear JQ families - The Winter 2024 Hot Lunch session is **OPEN** for ordering! Hot Lunch days are still Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pizza Days continue to be on Fridays. The deadline for ordering is still 8 am the day before.

Ordering for both Hot Lunch and Pizza Days is ongoing through our user-friendly online ordering platform www.munchalunch.com¹⁶

¹⁶<https://www.munchalunch.com>

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

We ask that you please do not send your child to school without lunch if you are unsure that you have ordered for that particular day - we are seeing an increase in the number of kids who come to school on hot lunch or pizza days without lunch and without an order placed.

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

PAC Newsletter

Are you receiving our JQ PAC newsletters? If you are not, and would like to, please subscribe directly at the following link: <http://eepurl.com/4Qp2f>

The JQ PAC website is www.jqpac.com¹⁷. We aim to keep it up-to-date with the latest information, so it can once again be a resource for our community. Please email any comments to Simon, our treasurer and tech support: jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com¹⁸.

Community Links

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

The Vancouver Basketball Academy™, Nike Basketball Spring Break Camps!

Nike Basketball Elementary Spring Break Camp¹⁹

Location: Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School

Date: March 18 – 21

¹⁷<http://www.jqpac.com/>

¹⁸<mailto:jqpac.treasurer@gmail.com>

¹⁹<https://www.academybasketball.com/programs-2/nike-basketball-elementary-spring-break-camp-at-churchill>

Nike Basketball Elementary Spring Break Camp²⁰

Location: Britannia Secondary School

Date: March 25 – 28

Terry Fox Spring Break Activities

Looking for some fun activities to keep your kids busy this Spring Break? Check out The Terry Fox Foundation's Kids' Corner²¹ for lots of Terry fun! There's word puzzles, colouring pages, a fun Spotify playlist and even a scavenger hunt!

Spring Market - West Point Grey Community Centre



West Point Grey Community Centre Volunteer Opportunity

Looking for a fun way to engage with the community? Develop your leadership skills while having fun with the parents and kids for West Point Grey's Breakfast with Bunny Easter event! Our team is looking

²⁰<https://www.academybasketball.com/programs-2/nike-basketball-elementary-spring-break-camp-at-britannia>

²¹<https://terryfox.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=9c16f8b6c2b735d53eb75ef97&id=02663081d2&e=7d70afacbe>

for energetic, assertive, outgoing and responsible assistant leaders to assist with our special events. The event will take place on Saturday March 23rd from 10am-12pm, however you will be scheduled from 9-2pm.

If you are interested in this event or any of our future special events, please fill out the application form. Please note that any applicants who are 16 years or older must obtain a Police Information Check. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at leeanne.trieu@vancouver.ca²².

Application Form: <https://westpointgrey.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Volunteer-Application-Form.pdf>

Let me know if you have any questions, I look forward to hearing from you.

GIRLsmarts4tech Workshop

This March, GIRLsmarts4tech will be running 4 new Computer Science/Technology workshops over the course of the March 23-24 weekend. There will be both a Saturday program and a Sunday program and open to students in grades 6/7/8. For each program, students will be able to participate in two workshops over the course of the day:

- Saturday March 23: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence and Internet of Things
- Sunday March 24: Programming 101 - Video Games and Database

All programs will take place on UBC Campus and lunch will be provided for students. There is a workshop fee of \$35 per program, however, they do offer bursaries to cover registration fee to make their workshops accessible to as many youth as possible.

Registration and other information on the workshops are here²³. Poster for this workshop is here²⁴.

Vancouver Minor Softball

The VMSA is a non-profit sports association providing softball programming for young athletes up to 19 years old. Our organization provides opportunities primarily for girls and young women in the City of Vancouver, however, we are inclusive of all gender identifications.

We believe increasing youth participation in softball is extremely important for girls and young women, as it will enhance their physical, mental, emotional, and cognitive development. More specifically, VMSA believes that providing access to softball provides young female athletes opportunities to develop: softball skills (across multiple areas); confidence; leadership; decision making; friendship and

²²<mailto:leeanne.trieu@vancouver.ca>

²³<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=9541fc55ad&e=afa53965a6>

²⁴<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=ff52456c00&e=afa53965a6>

camaraderie; and other life skills. You can read more about the VMSA and our vision and philosophies at http://vmsa.ca/page.php?page_id=94702²⁵.

Our league runs from April to June and we have opened registration for the 2024 season. We have more than five (5) past registrants from your school, however, we would love to build upon that and grow that representation in our Association. Financial assistance is available for families that need it, we want to remove all barriers to playing our sport.

We have also scheduled six clinics, free of charge, to anyone that wants to come out to try softball. These clinics will take place over three Saturdays in February and March. We are planning the first one to be indoors, while we are hopeful we will be able to run the March clinics outdoors (we will have an indoor option as a backup). Details on these clinics are located here: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/417574/signups/new>²⁶

FreeKick Soccer Programs



²⁵<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=43a7524334&e=afa53965a6>

²⁶<https://julesquesnelpac.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a8e7c9494cc165c2c2cca7d75&id=ec0c28299a&e=afa53965a6>

FreeKick will be running various Soccer Camps throughout Spring and early Summer. Registration is now open. Please visit their website at FreeKickFC.com or email: info@freekickFC.com²⁷ for more information.

RBL Basketball Spring programs

Registration is online at RBLBasketball.com²⁸.

²⁷<mailto:info@freekickFC.com>

²⁸<http://rblbasketball.com/>

BC Family French Camp



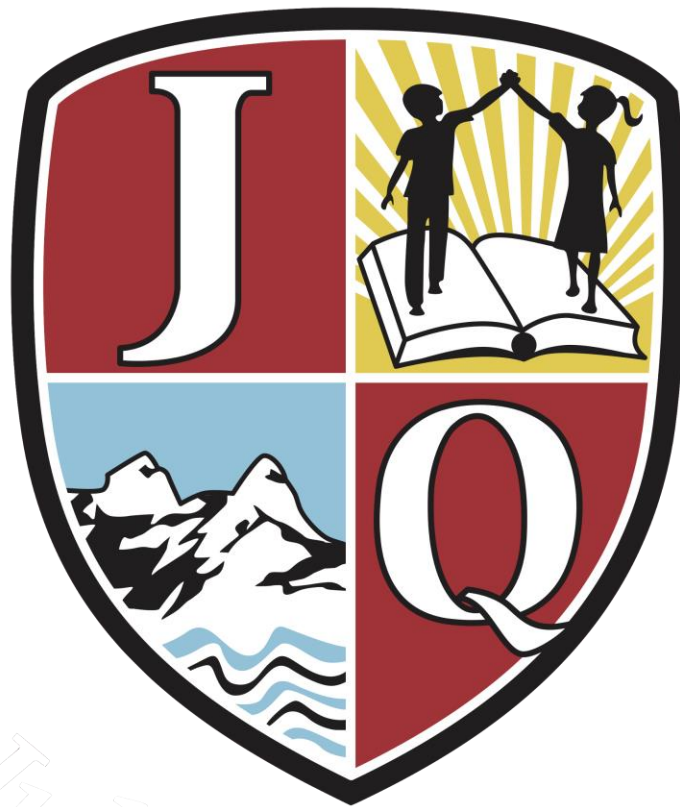
Keep your kids speaking French during the summer - Come join us at one of the BC Family French Camps in Summerland, Gwillim Lake, or Nanaimorun with monitors (councilors) from Quebec. As a JQ family that has been attending BCFFC for the past 9 years, we can definitely attest to the fun and enjoyment at camp, for both kids and parents! And parents don't need to speak French. Please find more details at <https://bcffc.com>²⁹. If you have any questions about the camp, you can contact me, Anthony (Milena's dad) at treasurer@bcffc.com³⁰.

²⁹<https://bcffc.com/>

³⁰<mailto:treasurer@bcffc.com>

Thank you for reading!

Contact Us



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

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