



Qualicum Beach Elementary School

"We are a nurturing community!"

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...community is built by focusing on people's gifts...

(Community, the Structure of Belonging, Peter Block)

STAFF REPORT

Our blustery days continue! However, November is drawing to a close and before we know it, December 21st will come and go AND the days will start to become longer and longer. Flowers will start to bloom! Thank to all the parents who on a daily basis help our learning community continue to grow! Our community building block for "shape and space" ended last week. The students' level of engagement in the learning activities was incredible. We look forward to the next community block scheduled to start in January/February, 2010. Look for more information in the new year. Our parent/teacher/student conference times are scheduled for the latter part of this week. We look forward to your presence.

Reminder: Friday, Nov 27th

Parent / Teacher / Student Conference Day

Classes are not in session. Phone to book a conference time. Teachers need all parents to please call the school office and book a conference time. Conferences will be held on Friday, Nov 27th along with other available dates and times. Please call the school and book your conference now!!



Scholastic Book Fair – Nov 26th & Nov 27th

QBES is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair. Dates of the fair are as follows:

Students can look at the book fair selections in the library on Nov 25th

Students can purchase book fair selections in the library on the day and evening of Nov 26th

Students can purchase book fair selections in the library on Nov 27th until 3 pm

Please drop by before or after your teacher conference and maybe make a purchase or two. Our school library benefits from the proceeds of this book fair. From the purchases, there will be a family draw for \$25.00 worth of books for one lucky student and \$25 for their classroom. Great Christmas ideas!

Thank you for your support.

Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found is overflowing. Items are on display in the foyer. Left over items will be picked up by the SOS on January 11th.

PAC Meeting - BCTF Parent Presentation 7-8pm

Supporting your Child's Learning

Parents play a critical role in their child's education in so many ways; one very important way is by guiding their learning at home. This practical session will present strategies that can help your child develop effective homework and study skills and promote lifelong learning. Parents will also learn natural ways to include additional reading and math activities at home.

Lunchtime Activities

Starting on November 4th, there will be lunchtime activities on Wednesdays in the gym from 12:35 to 1:00. These fun activities will be supervised by the KSS leadership team. Students should keep their ears open for announcements about these activities. The Leadership team looks forward to seeing you there and would like to thank the Qualicum Beach Elementary school staff for their support.

H1N1 VIRUS

Good hand washing with soap and running water continues to be the recommended best defense against this virus. Signs have been posted in all the school washrooms and posters are placed around the school. Please support good hand washing practice at home. We encourage parents to keep their children at home if they are unwell. Please visit our District Website at www.sd69.bc.ca for further information. This link to VIHA provides information about H1N1 vaccine and the schedule for the vaccination. It also provides a Q&A about the vaccine.

<http://www.viha.ca/h1n1/public/vaccine.htm>

Community Events

For information on activities/events for students and families go to -- www.sd69.bc.ca and view details under the Community News and Events – second tab on the left.

NEW! RDN Recreation& Parks eNewsletter

Go to www.rdn.bc.ca to sign up and receive highlights that are available to you in your quest for a healthy lifestyle.

For more information visit us at www.rdn.bc.ca or call 250-248-3252 or 250-752-5014.

Calendar Dates to Remember

November	26 & 27	Scholastic Book Fair
	25	PAC Meeting 6:30 pm. BCTF Parent Presentation 7-8pm, everyone welcome
	26	Skating Field Trip for Ms. Nemeth, Ms. Williams and Mrs. Annau/Van's classes 1:15 – 2:30
	27	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
December	16	Winter Sharing Concert
	17	Gr 4/5 Swim
	18	Last Day of School
	21-Jan 1	Winter Break

Contest

Last month's winners were: Jake Genereux and Gavin Stranaghan for the how many words can you make from a rectangle.

CONTEST

How many words can you make from the phrase "blustery day"?
