

Sept 4, 2025

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

It is so great to welcome everyone to school this week!

Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we navigated a very busy start-up this year. With the last-minute addition of a classroom, we needed to make adjustments to our class configurations. I appreciate your understanding as we worked through those changes with care and consideration for students.

A warm welcome goes out to all of our new families, and especially to our new Kindergarten students and their caregivers. We are so happy you are part of our school community, and we look forward to learning and growing together.

I am deeply grateful for our amazing staff team, who have worked tirelessly to prepare classrooms, routines, and engaging learning opportunities for students. Their dedication and care for your children is inspiring.

As we settle into the school year, I want to highlight the importance of routine for children. Consistent sleep, healthy screen habits, and regular schedules make a big difference in helping students feel calm, focused, and ready to learn each day.

Finally, if you know a family who hasn't signed up for our school newsletter yet, please encourage them to do so. It's the best way to stay connected and informed about what's happening at school.

Flo Wong Principal

Important Dates

Sept 2025

Sept 8: Kindergarten Group A: graduated entry attends 9:30-11:30

Sept 9: Kindergarten Group B: graduated entry attends 9:30-11:30

Sept 10: All kindergarten attend for a full day

Sept 11: Welcome Back Assembley

Sept 12: Hot Lunch: Shady Rest ¶1
Sept 19: Hot Lunch Pizza Pizza P

Sept 19: Terry Fox Run and assembly

Sept 26: Hot Lunch: Subway

Sept 26: Orange Shirt Day

Sept 29: District Planning Day (No school)

Sept 30: National Truth and Reconciliation Day

Oct 1: Photo Day

Oct 3: Hot Lunch: Shady Rest #1

Oct 10: Hot Lunch: Sushi Hama 🖚

Oct 13: Thanksgiving (No School)

Oct 17: Extreme Eatery -

Oct 24: Pro-D Day (Students do not attend)

Oct 31: Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza 🔊

Nov 3: Retakes

Nov 7: Hot Lunch Subway ₪

Nov 14: Hot Lunch Shady Rest #1

Nov 21: Hot Lunch Sushi Hama 🖚

Nov 28: Hot Lunch: Extreme Eatery ⇔

Dec 5: Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza 🔊

Dec 12: Hot Lunch: Subway ₪

Dec 19: Hot Lunch: Extreme Eatery ⇔

Fair Notice Letter from SD69

The Qualicum School District is committed to a safe and supportive environment for all. We take all threatening comments and behaviours seriously. Students, staff and parents should be aware of the Community Violence, Threat-making, and Risk Assessment Protocol that can be found on the District website under Parents/Resources for Parents/Parent Information and in all school main offices.

Please click this link to read more.



Walk Your Wheels



A friendly reminder that for everyone's safety, students are not permitted to ride bikes, scooters, or other wheeled devices on school property. With active traffic during arrival and dismissal times, it's important that all students *dismount* once they reach school grounds and *walk their wheels* to the designated parking areas. The same applies at the end of the day—students must walk their bikes or scooters off school property before riding. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe!

SD69 Bus Passes

My Ride K-12 Transportation Website/App

The Transportation Department is working to modify bus routes to accommodate many late bussing applicants.

Check the <u>MyRide K12 App or Website</u> regularly to verify your child's route information and ensure push notifications are enabled if using the App to be made aware of urgent alerts or changes.



Reminders From the Office

□Communications with Parents

Please keep an eye on your email and be sure to check backpacks as this is a very busy time of

emergency information as well as an email to be sent out regarding school supply/planner fees.

Absences

<u>App</u>.

③To report a student absence, please use the <u>School Messenger</u>



If it's been three days of consecutive absences, the app will not let you enter a fourth. You can either call the school to report the absence or email attendance@sd69.bc.ca

Personal Items

We kindly ask families to help us discourage students from bringing personal items to school, such as high-value makeup, Pokémon cards, electronic toys, and other special belongings. These items can be distracting in the learning environment and, unfortunately, we are not responsible for any personal items that are lost, stolen, or damaged. To avoid disappointment, please remind your child to keep these treasures at home. Thank you for your support!

Extra Change of Clothes

■ Please ensure your kids have a change of clothes to keep in their classroom/backpack for any emergencies.

School Volunteers and Criminal Record Checks

MMMSchool volunteers need a Criminal Record Check completed: https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck Access Code: **2NCAZFWAWT**

School Fees

\$Please login to <u>School Cash Online</u> to pay Student fees and school supplies if you haven't already. If you need any financial assistance, reach out to Flo Wong at fwong@sd69.bc.ca

Student Phone

Reminder that kids are not permitted to make playdate plans from the student phone in the office. We ask that if they want to make social plans that they first go home after school and then make their arrangements. If you do receive a call from your child trying to lay out a social plan, please remind them of this rule.





QUALICUM BEACH CULTURE DAYS: LETTING THE LAND AND SEA THRIVE IN 2025

"Common Threads Textiles Exhibition" Works by Artist Joyce McLellan

Sept 19 - Oct 12 ♥ Qualicum Beach Regional Library, 660 Primrose Street

"Advocacy Through the Arts" Film, Cellist Performance and Eco Fair

Sept 19, 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Qualicum Beach Community Hall, 644 Memorial Avenue

"Oceans of Opportunity Tapestry" **Community Weaving Together**

Sept 19, 1:00pm - 4:30pm | Sept 20 11:00am - 3:30pm

Qualicum Beach Regional Library, 660 Primrose Street

"Sound Waves of the Salish Sea" Film Screening, Performances and Guest Speakers

≦ Sept 20, 1:30pm - 3:30pm
 ♦ Berwick Qualicum Beach, 120 First Avenue West Qualicum Beach

"The Art of Conservation through Conversation" Artist Talk with Joyce McLellan

Sept 25, 6:30pm - 7:30pm Qualicum Beach Regional Library, 660 Primrose Street

CULTURE

SEPT 19 - OCT 12, 2025 culturedays.ca/bc











































ART-full-ness

AT THE MAC "SCOOPS OF ME"



Led by local children's author and Recreation Therapist Allison Parry, this creative workshop invites you to craft your own one-of-a-kind sundae using colourful materials and air-dry clay—a soft, easy-to-shape medium that hardens without needing a kiln. Each scoop you build will represent a unique part of who you are.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28 2025 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

McMillan Arts Centre Upper Level 133 McMillan St, Parksville

\$40 AGES 6-12



Text or call 604-506-1980 to register







GIRLS - Grades 6 & 7

The OVC 'Train and Play' program will help athletes to develop basic volleyball skills to prepare them for the upcoming Elementary School and Club volleyball season

Tuesdays and Thursdays
October 2nd to November 13th

(No Session on Oct 21 or Nov 11)

Grade 6 5:30-7:00 pm

Grade 7 7:15-8:45 pm

Location: Qualicum Beach Elementary

\$150 plus Volleyball BC Membership (\$12.50) Includes OVC Eagles T-shirt

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

www.oceansidevolleyballclub.com





Arrowview Elementary School

https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/AES/Pages/default.aspx#/=

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