



Qualicum Beach Newsletter



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'uy skweyul
(Good day)
uy qwunus i'lumnala
(It is good to see you all)



HALLOWEEN IS COMING!

Halloween Costume Rules for School:

- No weapons - real or fake
- Costumes should not depict violence
- Costumes should not be offensive
- Masks will be worn at the costume parade
- Go for comfort - children should still be able to move and play



HEALTHY FOOD FOR KIDS

Everyone knows that kids' bodies and brains grow best with whole grains, fruits & veggies, and lots of water to drink. Too much sugar and unhealthy content can affect concentration and behavior. With Halloween around the corner, here are some reminders:

- Continue to send nutritious lunches with all the good stuff
- No more than 1 or 2 pieces of candy or chips daily after Halloween
- Encourage your child to put wrappers in the garbage
- Energy drinks such as Monster or Red Bull are NOT appropriate for kids and are not allowed at school



HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES AT QBES

- Costume Parade
- Primary Sock Hop
- Intermediate Sock Hop
- Classroom Activities

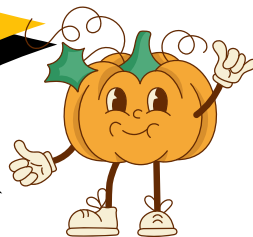


DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Remember clocks will “fall back” on Sunday November 2nd!
(an extra hours sleep)



Don't forget your
pumpkin for the Book
Character Pumpkin
Challenge!
(see poster further in
the newsletter)



WITS PROGRAM

Our school uses the WITS program to help students make safe and respectful choices when faced with conflicts. Students are encouraged to Walk away, Ignore, Talk it out, and Seek help when dealing with difficult situations.

By using WITS, we create a positive and supportive school environment where everyone feels respected and heard.



**PHOTO RETAKE DAY
OCTOBER 29!**



NO SCHOOL REMINDER

Reminder to families that there is no school tomorrow, Friday October 24, for Provincial Pro-D Day.

Homestay needed for Swiss Boy Grade 10

The Qualicum International Student Program is in need of a home for a boy from Switzerland, Grade 10, attending Kwalikum Secondary School. His passion is Golf and he attends the after school program at Pheasant Glen Golf. He is an excellent student and a great kid but unfortunately is allergic to cats and horses! He likes dogs, kids, biking, skiing, cooking and plays the piano. He will be at KSS until the end of the school year. If you are able to host him and/or would like more information, please contact Jenny, ISP Coordinator/ KSS Homestay Coordinator as soon as possible at jatkinson@sd69.bc.ca.

Also - Students arriving second semester are also being placed at both Ballenas and Kwalikum at this time.

The host family application is online at:

<https://schoolincanada.ca/high-school-on-vancouver-island-in-british-columbia-canada/hostastudent/>

GR.6 IMMUNIZATIONS

Grade 6 Immunizations

In B.C the Human Papilloma (HPV) vaccine is recommended for all grade 6 students as part of their routine immunization schedule. Grade 6 students may be eligible for additional vaccines if they are not up to date. A letter with instructions on providing consent for immunizations has now been sent home to students via email. Please follow the instructions and provide consent or refusal to immunizations using the new digital consent platform.

Immunizations will be provided at the school for grade 6 students who have consent, on Nov 5, 2025.

Contact the local Health Unit at (250) 947-8242 if you have any questions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



QBES is taking part in Operation Christmas Child.

This global initiative aims to deliver shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies and hygiene items to children in need.

Students who would like to participate can contribute to their classroom shoebox , filling it with small gifts and hygiene items. Pick up will be the third week of November, for collection and shipping to children in need around the world.

Participating in Operation Christmas Child can teach children the importance of giving, sharing and the joy of helping others.





Take Part in Our

QBES

BOOK CHARACTER

PUMPKIN CHALLENGE!

**Gather your family and
transform a pumpkin into your
favourite book character—
decorate, carve, or dress it up!**

**Bring your pumpkin to school with you
on Monday, October 27th**



OCT 31, 2025, 6 - 8PM

Entrance by Donation

56TH ANNUAL

COOMBS CANDY WALK



MIDNIGHT AT THE LIBRARY



Haunted House Fundraiser
Admission paid separately.

CONCESSION

FIREWORKS (8PM)*

TRICK-OR-TREATING

PHOTO BOOTH

CAKE WALK

***PLEASE NO PETS**

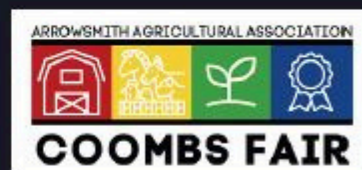


Coombs Fairgrounds, 1014 Ford Rd., Coombs, BC

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CALENDAR OF DATES

Fri Oct 24	Provincial PD Day
Fri Oct 31	Halloween Costume Parade
Fri Nov 7	Remembrance Day Assembly (10:30am)
Mon Nov 10	Conference Adjustment Day - No School
Tue Nov 11	Remembrance Day - No School
Mon Nov 24	MATA PD Day
Fri Nov 28	Reports Home
Tue Dec 9	Winter Concert
Tue Dec 16	Winter Wonderland Skate
December 22 - January 2	Winter Break

IMPORTANT LINKS

Please take a moment to click on the links below to familiarize yourself with important school information:

[QBES Code of Conduct](#)

[QBES Enhancing Student Learning Plan](#)

[Fair Notice Letter](#)

Community Programs & Events

We get numerous advertisements for community programs and opportunities to include in newsletters.

Please click on the link below to view the events/programs offered within the community - access is via the Qualicum School District Community Page:

[Community Events](#)