

Qualicum Beach Newsletter





Hello Parents and welcome to another year of learning and growing!

Despite some early bumps with busing routes, we have had a smooth start-up to the school year and are pleased to report that students are now well settled into their classrooms and are already making connections, learning and playing. At this early point, teachers are getting to know their students through observation and assessment activities in order to plan for the learning needs of each class member. We have set two school-wide goals for this year:

- To improve students' outcomes in reading
- To grow students' social thinking skills

We are indebted to our PAC in several ways to start the new year. The first is the pending installation of some new playground equipment, thanks to fundraising efforts over the past two years. The second PAC-related project is the reviving of Community Readers program where parents & volunteers read with kids each morning. Please consider volunteering 9 - 10 am - contact PAC!

Having recently dropped my last kid off at university this fall, I was once again reminded of the old adage about parenting: *The days are long but the years are short.* Enjoy every day with yours!

- Corleen McKinnon

STUDENT ABSENCES

To report a student absence, please use the following link: <u>School Messenger App.</u> and subscribe.



For three days of consecutive absences, the app will not let you enter a fourth. Please either call the school to report the absence or email: attendance@sd69.bc.ca



Student Lockers Gr.4 to Gr. 7

If your child is in a class using student lockers they can choose to either bring their own lock from home (but, please no key locks), or they can purchase one from the school office at a cost of \$10.



QBES HOT LUNCH

PAC hot lunches are set to begin on September 19 with Domino's Pizza! Ordering closes Sunday September 14.



PHOTO DAY!

Student photo day is Wednesday
October 1st.

It is recommended that students do not wear green or patterned clothing for their photos.





DOGS AT SCHOOL

Whilst we love our dog community, dogs and kids do not always mix and student safety is paramount.

Dogs are not permitted on school grounds during school hours or at drop off and pick up times.



SCHOOL SUPPLY PAYMENT DUE

School supply fees are coming due Friday Sept 26th!
If you haven't already done so, please pay your \$50 school supplies fee using the following link:

School Cash Online.



Dear Parents/Guardians:

TERRY FOX RUN

On **Monday, September 15th**, QBES will be participating in our annual Terry Fox School Run. Our Fundraising goal is \$387 (\$1 for each student). This goal, however, is not a limit; if we can exceed it, it would be fantastic for supporting cancer research through the Terry Fox Foundation.

How to donate:

- 1. Send your child to school with their donation in a Ziploc bag to be brought to their classroom teacher.
- 2. Donate directly through the link provided on SchoolCashOnline.com (link below) School Cash Online

We are excited to be part of the 2025 Terry Fox Run. This is a small way we can help make a big difference in the lives of those suffering from cancer.

Kind Regards,

Tom Higgs QBES PE Teacher



PAC INFO

Your incoming PAC Chairs are Renee Orr & Jason Howard. Thanks to you both!!

- PAC hot lunch is up and running starting Friday September 19th. Order through QBES Hot Lunch.
- PAC Family Picnic Sept 18th in conjunction with QBES Meet The Teacher Night starting at 4:30 pm. Food trucks will be onsite, or bring a picnic.
- Be sure to register for PAC info at qbespac@gmail.com.
- Next PAC meeting is Tuesday October 14th, 7:00 pm at QBES library.



CALENDAR OF DATES

Mon Sept 15	Terry Fox Run
Tue Sept 16	First QBES Popsicle Day (\$1 - alternating Tuesdays)
Thurs Sept 18	Meet the Teacher Open House and PAC Family Picnic
Fri Sept 19	First PAC Hot Lunch (orders due Sunday)
Tue Sept 23	PAC Popcorn Day (order online - alternating Tuesdays
Mon Sept 29	District Day - No School
Tue Sept 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day - No School
Wed Oct 1	School Photo Day
Mon Oct 13	Thanksgiving - No School
Mon Oct 20 - Wed Oct 22	Parent Conferences
Fri Oct 24	Provincial Pro D Day
Fri Oct 31	Halloween Costume Parade

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMEMORATION

Honouring Survivors, Remembering Truth, Building a Just Future

10:00am – 4:00pm
Sept 30, 2025
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124 West 2nd Ave Qualicum Beach



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STRONGSTART

at

Lighthouse Community Centre



Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Free program providing fun, dynamic learning activities for children aged birth to kindergarten and their adult.

Registration is appreciated but drop-ins are welcome.

Check out our website for more information:

www.oblt.ca





SD69 BUSES

For busing information please check the MyRide K12 App or Website 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.



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