

Qualicum Beach Elementary School

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Important Dates to Remember	
Thursday, September 17 th	District Planning Day - no students in attendance
Friday, September 18 th	Professional Development Day - no students in attendance
Monday, September 21 st	Spirit Day - see details below
Wednesday, September 30 th	Orange Shirt Day - More information at http://www.orangeshirtday.org/
Thursday, October 1 st	Life Touch Picture Day – more info to come

Welcome Back Everyone...

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to welcome you back to school. We have been very impressed with how the children have adapted to our new expectations and routines. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and I know that our students (and many parents too) are excited about returning to school. To those parents and students who are new to our school, I welcome you and look forward to meeting you in the days ahead.



Monday, September 21st Spirit Day

- Wear your QBES hoodie or t-shirt
- Style your hair in a CRAZY way...
- Wear the school colors – purple and grey
- Or do all three if you can 😊



We would also like to welcome Mr. McInnes as the new vice-principal of QBES. Over the last couple of years, he was responsible for the STREAM program and our school librarian.

Important Reminders

- Playground supervision begins at 8:35 a.m. There is no supervision before 8:35 a.m. and we are asking students to be dropped off closer to 8:55. Students are reminded to wait for their teacher at the class's assigned location.
- Physical Distancing – parents and adults we are asking for physical distancing on the playground. To lessen the congestion on the playground – please allow your “older” children to make their way to the assigned meeting spot by themselves.
- Important Traffic Safety Notice for Drivers and Walking Children - This school year, a number of our students are walking or riding their bikes to and from school. We also have more parents dropping their children off near to the school. We would appreciate people who are driving their children to please slow down and obey the speed limits and to use the cross walks.
- The round-about at the end of the school is a **drop-off area only**. I would appreciate parents not parking in that area or getting out of their vehicles. **This area is meant to be a quick drop off area – Thanks!**
- The “bus loop” – any time after 9:00 parents can drop off their child closer to the main doors.
- **Students Attendance** - If you know your child is going to be absent or late, please inform the school by contacting or leaving a message at the office 250-752-9212. All students arriving late or leaving early must sign-in/out at the office....Thanks for your help!



Lifetouch Picture Day – Thursday, October 1st

Lifetouch Photo will be taking individual school photos.

- All orders will be done online – more information will be sent home.
- Students will have two photos taken and then parents will preview and order the selections online.
- All photographers will wear masks at all times in the school. Photographers will be expected to comply with the district health and safety guidelines for entering a school.

Student Information Verification Forms

These forms have been sent home. The verification forms are very important to keep our student records up to date. Please ensure that the form is completed and returned to the classroom teacher as soon as possible.

Fruit and Veggie Program - Starting on Monday, September 21st

Only complete the attached form and return to the school if:

- you would like to “opt out” of this program.
- or if your child has any allergy concerns.

Date	Status	Product
Sep 22nd	On schedule	Pears, Bartlett (Organic)
Oct 6th	On schedule	Cucumbers, Mini
Oct 27th	On schedule	Carrots, Baby (12x2LB/cs)
Nov 17th	On schedule	Apples - Mixed Organic
Dec 1st	On schedule	Apples, Spartan
Dec 15th	On schedule	Mandarins, Halo
Jan 26th	On schedule	Apples, Mixed Organic
Feb 9th	On schedule	Snap Peas
Mar 2nd	On schedule	Apples, Spartan
Apr 20th	On schedule	Cucumbers, Mini
May 4th	On schedule	Tomatoes, Grape
May 18th	On schedule	Apples, Ambrosia

Students with Medical Problems (Alerts)

Please note it is the responsibility of parents/guardians to make the school aware of any **life threatening medical problem/s** your child may have. This includes any changes in conditions for those students already on our medical alert file. Written permission from the student’s doctor is required before the school can issue medication or supervise the taking of medication. An authorization form is available from the school office. Medication cannot be administered unless the form is completed. Ref. Policy #8006. Parents are to provide medication in its original container clearly marked with the student’s name. Please check the expiration date of the medication. If the medication requires administration (i.e. injection) it is important that those charged with the procedure have the proper training. Please call the Health Unit at 248-2044 for assistance.



Family Accident Reimbursement Plan - Voluntary Insurance

Families have the opportunity to voluntarily purchase student accident insurance through iA Financial Group, which offers a comprehensive accident insurance plan with a critical illness component designed for the whole family.

The plan can supplement costs not covered by your provincial health insurance or existing employer extended health and dental plans. Regardless of the size of your family, all eligible family members can be insured under one set monthly rate.

For more information or to apply online, please visit <https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc>

Skateboard / Scooter Permission Forms

Permission forms for skateboarding or scootering at school are available in the office. All students must complete a form and have a suitable helmet.

Bell Schedule

8:52	Warning bell – students line-up
8:57	School Begins
10:10 - 10:30	Recess #1
10:40 – 11:00	Recess #2
2:15	Dismissal bell
2:35	After School Safety Bell All students not supervised by an adult after 2:35 must report to the office.

Lost and Found

Please label your children’s clothing. This eliminates lost and found at the school. Thank you.