



Quilchena Elementary
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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead ~ October 6th – October 10th, 2025

We invite families to visit the [School Calendar](#) on our [website](#) for all of our future notable dates and events. Simply click on the 'event' for more details.

October 6 – PAC Hot Lunch – Taco Luis

October 10 – Fire Drill #3

October 12 – Last Day to Order Spirit Wear

We are happy to welcome a familiar face to our Quilchena family. We would like to extend a big Cyclone welcome to Ms. Spence, who will be starting with us on Tuesday, October 14th in the role of our school's administrative assistant! As we enter the weekend, Sunday, October 5th is recognized as World Teachers' Day. Thank you to all the dedicated Quilchena educators for all that you do to teach, care for, connect with and inspire our students.

In Other Quilchena News:



Quilchena's 50th Anniversary: The name *Quilchena* comes from a Salish word meaning 'flat land near water', reflecting both the geography and the deep Indigenous roots of this area. Yesterday we were honoured to gather on this land to celebrate our school and its last 5 decades. Thank you to all who came out to our open house to celebrate and to re-connect with current and former staff and students. We are deeply grateful for the support our community has given us through all these years.

Spirit Wear Orders: Did you know that every Friday is Cyclone Spirit Day and we wear our Quilchena Cyclones gear.

We're happy to announce the shop is open! Order by October 12th for a mid-November delivery [HERE](#).



Cross-Country Team: Thank you to Mrs. Pereira and Mrs. Cavazzi for organizing this club and to, Mr. Sumra, our school volunteer for giving his time to help coach. A sign up meeting will happen next week for interested students from grades 1-7. Practices will be on Thursday and Friday mornings at 8:15am, rain or shine. On October 29th, there will be Cross-Country Run at Garry Point starting at 3:30pm. Your child has been given a consent form from Ms. Pereira and Ms. Cavazzi. Please return these back to school with your child once completed.



Opt-in to District/School Text Message Communication: The Richmond School District has implemented a communication tool that will enable both the district and our school to send you text messages. This will improve the ability to deliver time-sensitive information to you, including emergency notifications. Given the significance of this communication tool, we strongly encourage you to opt-in for this service. If you haven't already done so, you can choose to opt-in by sending a text message to 978338 with the comment 'Yes'. Read more [HERE](#)



FSA's: Students in Grade 4 & 7 will be participating in the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) this month. Each year, the Ministry of Education requires school districts to conduct this province-wide assessment and is designed to see how students are progressing in the foundation skills of Reading, Writing, and Numeracy. We know this is one assessment and only gives a snapshot of your child's learning. As a school, we use this information to further learn about your child(ren) and gives us more information about their learning. An email was sent home from the District to all Grade 4 & 7 families in September with more information.

Grade 5 Active Pass: The City of Richmond is offering students in Grade 5 a pass for FREE admission to drop-in swimming, skating, pitch and putt gold, and various drop-in programs at local community centres. Please click [here](#) for more details and registration process for the free pass.



Needing Support: Please reach out to Mrs. Kusch (nkusch@sd38.bc.ca) if you require financial assistance for school-related costs (school supplies, field trips or other school-related costs). As always, all requests will be treated with dignity, and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that students have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.



PAC News: Please feel free to email us at quilchenapac@gmail.com if you have any questions. To learn more about our Quilchena Parent Advisory Council (PAC), please visit the [Quilchena PAC page](#), (under the Parents tab in the school's website).

Should you have any questions about Food Days, please contact Noel at noelleung82@hotmail.com.

A Peek Into Our 50th Anniversary



