

Quilchena Elementary

School District #38

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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead November 29 – December 3

Monday: *How Raven Stole the Sun performance for Div. 1-4
Starlight Fundraiser begins (November 29th-December 10th)*

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Upcoming Dates:

Nov. 28-Dec. 6 - Hanukkah

Nov. 29-Dec. 10 – Starlight Children’s Foundation Fundraiser

Dec. 13-17– Quilchena Spirit Week

Dec. 14 – Gr. 6/7 Immunization

Dec. 17 – PJ & Comfy Clothes Day

Dec. 17 – Last day of school before the winter break

Dec. 25 – Christmas

As we look to next week and welcome December, we have a lot to be proud of as a Quilchena Community. We have welcomed our students back to school in person, opened an incredible new playground and children have been collaborating and sharing their learning in meaningful ways. We have 3 weeks left before our winter break and have some fun things planned for our students during the month of December.



In Other Quilchena News:



Hanukkah: November 28th marks the start of this Jewish eight-day, “Festival of Lights,” celebrated with a nightly menorah lighting, special prayers, and traditional fried foods. Central to the holiday is the lighting of the menorah, an eight-branched candelabrum to which one candle is added on each night of the holiday until it is ablaze with light on the eighth night. The Hebrew word Chanukah means “dedication” (also spelled Hanukkah). *Hanukkah Sameach* to those families who celebrate Hanukkah.

IMPORTANT ! PLEASE READ !

敬请各位家长仔细阅读以下重要信息！

School Parking Lot: Keeping our kids safe is one of our main priorities. We have noticed more and more parents stopping and parking their cars along the northwest side in front of parked cars. **This is not a designated parking spot and there should be no cars sitting idle.** This blocks traffic coming into the school and makes it very unsafe for our students arriving to school on foot. We are also noticing that parents who are dropping off their children, are stopping nowhere near the roundabout drop off area. This is incredibly dangerous as students are now walking through an already congested parking lot.

We are asking you to please obey and respect our parking lot rules. You will be asked to please move your car if you are parked and waiting for your child. If the designated parking spots are full, please find an alternate place to park in the neighbourhood. If you need to make a new plan where you will be picking up your child, please spend some time this weekend to figure out your new pick-up location. Thank you for respecting our request and doing your part to keep our students safe.

关于使用学校的停车场: 各位家长, 保证孩子们在校的安全是学校职责的重中之重。我们注意到, 越来越多的家长在接送孩子的时候, 会把车暂时停在学校停车场停放的车辆的西北方。**需要注意的是: 这里不是指定的停放车辆的地方, 不允许有任何车辆暂时停靠。** 这种行为, 不仅阻碍了其他车辆进入学校, 而且给那些步行上学的学生带来危险。我们也注意到, 在开车送孩子上学时, 有些家长没有让孩子在指定的环形区域下车。这种行为尤为危险, 因为学生们不得不穿过一个已经很拥挤的停车场。

我们要求各位家长, 请尊重和遵守学校的停车场规定, 如果你在不能停车的区域停靠并等待接孩子, 学校教职员会要求你把车辆移走。如果指定的停车场已经停满, 请在学校周围寻找其他能停车的地方。如果你需要重新考虑接孩子的方法, 请在本周末到学校附近查看一下, 看看哪些地方可以停车。在此感谢各位尊重我们的要求, 请大家从自己做起, 配合学校以保证全体同学的安全。



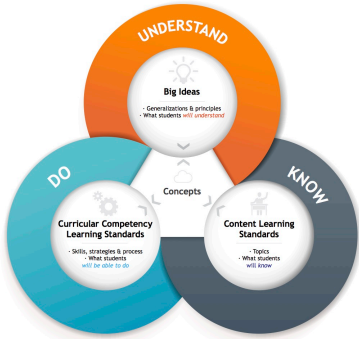
Starlight Children's Foundation:

Quilchena will be holding our food drive from November 29th to December 10th. Non-perishable food items will be collected in each class and be contributions to food hampers for each family. Online cash donations can be made through your School Cash online account and cash donations can be given to Ms. Davis or Ms. Hughes at the office.

Playground Safety: Please ensure that you (parents or guardians) are supervising your children while they stay after school and play on the playground and school grounds. We have had some unsafe situations happening after school and so we would like to remind you that it is your responsibility to watch your child to ensure their safety after 2:45pm dismissal. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

**ADULT
SUPERVISION
REQUIRED**

Communicating Student Learning: All teachers at Quilchena are using Communicating Student Learning and Reporting using digital portfolios, which will provide you with the information you need to understand where your children are in their learning and where they need to go. By using the e-portfolio, you get to read comments about your child’s learning while simultaneously viewing a sample of your child’s actual work. This gives you a clear link between student work and teacher assessment. The most important kind of assessment for student learning is what educators call ‘Assessment **for** Learning’. This is feedback that teachers give students as they are working. It guides student thinking and provides insights for improvement. This ‘Assessment **for** Learning’ is done every day in classrooms as students work and interact. When teachers talk about ‘Assessment **of** Learning’ they refer to the kind of assessment done at the end of a unit of study or at the end of a term. This kind of summative information is helpful to parents and to teachers but is less helpful for students as they learn. It is not immediate enough for students and the suggestions can’t be easily applied to the new work they are doing. E-portfolio posts will happen on an ongoing basis throughout the school year. We hope that both you and your child will actively participate in an ongoing dialogue about learning through these e-portfolios. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child’s progress, please contact your child’s classroom teacher.



Playground Opening: Today we celebrated our new playground with an “Official Opening”. We welcomed some district members, our PAC Executive and members, some local community guests and our very special former Quilchena administrators, Ms. Powell and Ms. Wallace. It was a gorgeous day to cut the ceremonial ribbon and hear what our students love most about the new structure.

“The new playground is appropriate for all ages. The simple design of this playground can cooperate with K-7. I think that the zipline is a part of the playground that everyone likes.” Aeden

“I love the new playground because it has so many fun things to do like the slide. The slide is twisty and fast, which makes it fun.” Chloe

