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**School District #38**  
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### **Quilchena Community**

**The Week Ahead ~ September 19<sup>th</sup> – September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**

We invite families to visit the School Calendar on our website: <https://quilchena.sd38.bc.ca/> for all of our future notable dates and events. Simply click on the 'event' for more details.

**September 19 – National Day of Mourning for Queen Elizabeth II (no school)**

**September 20 – First Fire Drill**

**September 22 – Individual Photo Day**

**September 22 – Meet the Staff Open House**

**September 23 – Professional Development Day (no school for students)**



It was our first full week with our new classes and it is wonderful to see students reconnecting with their friends and making new connections. September start-up is a busy time of the year and we thank you for your diligence in returning the needed information and forms promptly. The sunshine is supposed to make a reappearance and we wish you a restful long weekend. See you all Tuesday morning!

### **Don't forget to pack everyday and bring with you in the morning...**

A labelled water bottle



A snack and lunch



Proper clothing



### **In Other Quilchena News:**

**Being Prepared:** Thank you for remembering to bring a water bottle, recess snack and a packed lunch with you to school each morning. A reminder that our first bell rings at 8:40am and we begin our day together at **8:45am**. This week we started our school wide *Morning Walk* that begins at 8:45am. This is where the whole school goes for a morning walk together and gives us a chance to connect and start the day off as a community. Giving yourself time in the morning so you are not rushed helps you begin your day in a calm manner.



**Meet the Staff Evening:** Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00-6:00pm. Please come by for an informal visit to see your child's classroom, meet their teachers and the Quilchena staff, and say hello! We will be having a draw for some Quilchena swag so make sure to fill out a ballot and be present for the draw out at our playground. We would love to see you!

**Terry Fox:** Thank you to all our families who donated to support Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope. We surpassed our goal and have raised \$459.50! Thank you as well to our PAC for donating granola bars for our post run treat. Our local Richmond Terry Fox Run is this coming Sunday at Garry Point Park at 10am. Registration information and more information about the Terry Fox Foundation can be found at [terryfox.org](http://terryfox.org).



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FOUNDATION**



**Camp Jubilee:** We have been planning for our Camp Jubilee experience Oct. 3-5, 2022 for our Grade 5, 6, & 7's. An information package went home last week with your child. **Please take some time to thoroughly complete the necessary paperwork if you haven't already done so and return all forms back by Tuesday.** Please remember if you are wanting to participate in any of the water activities, you will need to have your Red Cross Level 5 or the Watersafe course. Upcoming course dates are September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at Minoru Pool.

**Student and Family Affordability Fund:** Recently, the provincial government announced a new, one time *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. The additional funding will also be used to support school nutritional supports for students. <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2022ECC0057-001290>

At this time, we are requesting that families reach out to Mrs. Kusch (nkusch@sd38.bc.ca) if you are in need of assistance with school supplies, fees 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 our students, your children, have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

**PAC News:** If you have not yet registered your child for upcoming Food Days, information is located on our school website, located under the *Parents>PAC Fundraising* tab at the top of the website. More information to come shortly with our Food Day dates. As your child's grade and division will change, you need to register your child at the beginning of each new school year.

The PAC is always looking for volunteers for Food Days and Fundraising initiatives. Please contact our PAC Executive at [quilchenapac@gmail.com](mailto:quilchenapac@gmail.com).

### **A Peek into Our Terry Fox Run**

