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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead ~ May 22nd – May 26th

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.

May – Canadian Jewish and Asian Heritage Month

May 12 – June 2 – Cyclone Day Pizza Ordering (hotlunch.net)

*May 22 – **Victoria Day – Provincial Holiday (no school)***

May 24 – PAC Food Day

May 24 – Fire Drill

May 25 – Gr. 7 Hugh Boyd Tour

May 25 – PAC AGM Meeting

May 26 – Freezie Sale at Lunch



This week's newsletter will be going out a couple of days early with the busyness of our Track Meet and students not being in session on Friday due to our school Pro-D day. We welcomed our upcoming Kindergarten students this afternoon at our *Welcome to K* and look forward to having them join our Cyclone family in September. A reminder that Friday is a Professional Development Day and Monday is Victoria Day. Enjoy your long weekend Cyclones and see you all Tuesday!

In Other Quilchena News:



District Track Meet: Our District Track Meet is tomorrow at Minoru for grades 3-7. After several years of not having our Track Meet due to Covid, we have over 100 students participating and representing Quilchena. The weather is expected to be a beautiful day and we are looking forward to sharing our Cyclone Spirit!



SWIS Monthly Announcement for May: Central Registration & Welcome Centre

The SWIS team (Settlement Workers in Schools) has created a monthly calendar showing all the workshops and activities that families can sign up for! Please see the attached calendar showing all events for the month of May!



Gr. 7 Farewell Fundraising: We will be having 3 Freezie Sale dates (May 26, June 2 & June 16) to support our upcoming Grade 7 Farewell. Our first Freezie Sale will be on Friday, May 26th at lunchtime where students will be able to purchase Freezies for \$2 each. Thank you to the Gr. 7 Farewell Parent Committee and to the Grade 7 students for organizing and helping out.

Parent Input - Class Placement 2023-2024: Each year as we enter June, we begin to make school organization plans for September based upon the number of students we know are returning and new registrations. Before school ends in June, your child's current classroom teacher, resource staff, educational assistants and administration will work together to place students for the upcoming school year. These plans are *tentative* until the first week in September when final student numbers are known. In the first few days of September, all staff meet again to confirm teaching assignments and review student placements.

In the organizational meetings, many factors are considered when placing students. Considerations include:

- learning styles and strengths
- social / personal characteristics
- students with special needs
- ELL Levels
- contractual obligations

As you can see, this is a complicated process, and this list is by no means exclusive, as there are many factors unique to a situation that must and will be taken into account.

If you would like the opportunity to provide the school with information about your child's placement for next year, you are welcome to send a letter to Mrs. Kusch at nkusch@sd38.bc.ca by **Wednesday, May 31st**. We will not accept any letters that come in after May 31st. The information you provide should **not include a request for a specific teacher**, but rather some important personal or educational information that will assist us in our decision. *Please be aware that the final decision regarding placement needs to be a school-based decision.*



PAC News:

Upcoming Food Days: June 14 Subway

Cyclone Day Pizza Ordering: Ordering is open now on Hotlunches for Cyclone Day pizza day on June 9. This is a separate order from our regular Food Day orders. **The ordering deadline is June 2.** There will be no late orders accepted.

Questions? Lana at quilchenafundraising@gmail.com

PAC Meeting: Our PAC AGM meeting is May 25th, at 7pm. Please join us in the multipurpose room, exit door #5.

A Peek Into Our Welcome to K!

