



Quilchena Elementary
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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead ~ May 26th – May 30th

We invite families to visit the School Calendar on our website for all of our future notable dates and events.

May – Canadian Jewish Heritage Month & Asian Heritage Month

May 25 – Last Day to Order Pizza for Movie Night

May 26 – PAC Hot Lunch Day (Just Poke)

May 27 – Freezie Sale (bring your \$2 to support our Grade 7 Farewell fundraising)

May 28 – Hugh Boyd Band Performance

May 28 – PAC Fundraiser Neufeld Farms Order pick-up @ 2:30pm

May 30 – Grade 7 Boyd Orientation

May 30 – PAC Movie Night – Doors open at 5:30pm

A short week but a busy one! If you haven't been by the school lately, make sure to check out the progress in our garden beds at the front of the school. Students have been busy planning, measuring, building, planting, weeding and watering! Enjoy your weekend Cyclones and see you Monday.

In Other Quilchena News:



Gr. 7 Farewell Fundraising: We will be having 1 more Freezie Sales date (May 27th) to support our upcoming Grade 7 Farewell. Students will be able to purchase Freezies for \$2 each. Thank you for your support.

Parent Input - Class Placement 2025-2026: 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, education 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 considered.

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 **Monday, June 2nd**. We will not accept any letters that come in after June 2nd. 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.*



Cyclone Day Volunteers: Our PAC is calling for volunteers on June 6th for **Cyclone Day!** We will need parent volunteers to help with popping popcorn, selling the popcorn and snacks, and setting up/cleaning up the snack concession area. If you can help with any of these, please sign up [HERE](#) or go to the school website, under Parents tab, PAC and Volunteer Opportunities.

Written Learning Updates: The MyEducation BC Parent Portal will be the site where you can view attendance, contact information, and published Learning Updates (report cards). A reminder that term two's Written Learning Updates were available for families to view on Friday, April 25th, 2025. **We recommend you download a copy for your records. They will be available to do so until June 10th, when the data is cleared to make room for our final Learning Summary.**

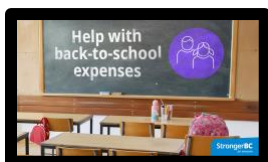


SD38 Summer Music: The Richmond School District is offering two courses for students in grade 4-7 during the month of July to enhance each student's musical skills and understanding. Students will learn many new skills and get a head start on next year's music class with advanced knowledge & abilities. Full details are [HERE](#)

Free Virtual Webinar - Responding to Children & Youth After Unforeseen Frightening Events: The Ministry of Children and Family Development is hosting a virtual webinar that is designed for parents, caregivers, and community members to provide them with tools and information to help children and youth after frightening events. The session will be hosted virtually via Zoom and no registration is required. Attend by clicking on the link and entering the corresponding passcode. Please see the attached one pager for more details on the webinar.



Friday, May 23; 6:30 – 7:30pm PST (ASL Translator will be present)
[Link](#) (Passcode: 350801)



Needing Support: The provincial government has renewed the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. We are requesting that families reach out to Mrs. Kusch. 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 to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

PAC News:

Neufeld Farms Fundraiser: Thank you for supporting our **Neufeld Farms** fundraiser! Orders will be ready for pick up at the school on Wednesday, May 28th at 2:30pm.



Movie Night: The PAC Movie Night will be on Friday, May 30th. Last day to order pizza is on Sunday, May 25th. We will need parent volunteers to make this evening successful. Please click on the [link](#) to sign up. Full details [HERE](#)

PAC Meeting: The Quilchena Parents' Advisory Committee will be having its final meeting of the school year on June 4th. Elections for executive positions on next year's PAC will be held at the meeting.

Each school's PAC requires a Chair, Vice-chair, Treasurer and Secretary in order to operate, and the Chair and Vice-Chair positions need to be filled for next school year. The PAC cannot function without the Chair and Vice-Chair positions filled. This wonderful group of people work together to put on school events and fundraisers that contribute greatly to your student's experience at the school and provide fundraising to support

numerous projects every year like the library renovation, the new playground added in 2022, and support for field trips and classroom expenses.

All caregivers are welcome to attend the meetings and run for the PAC executive. If you are considering running for any of these positions or are interested in participating in the PAC to ensure our events and fundraising efforts continue, please join us at the school on June 4th at 7pm. If you have any questions about the positions, please email us at quilchenapac@gmail.com.

Questions? Please contact quilchenapac@gmail.com for more information.

A Peek Into Family Teams

