



**Quilchena Elementary**  
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## Quilchena Community

**The Week Ahead ~ September 8<sup>th</sup> – September 12<sup>th</sup>, 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.**

**September 9 – Fire Drill #1**

**September 11 – Individual Photo Day**

**September 15 – Fire Drill #2**

**September 18 (save the date) – Open House 5pm-6pm**

**September 19 – Terry Fox Run (1:30pm)**

And we are off to a positive start to the school year! A great deal of time, effort and thought has gone into the process of student placement for the 2025-2026 school year. There is always the feeling of excitement, nervousness, and anticipation at the start of a new year. We appreciated your patience as we finalized our numbers, our staffing allotment, and our class lists. We would like to give a big welcome to Ms. Tamiko Yu, who is joining our Quilchena Educational Assistant Team. Our goal is to have regular, ongoing communication; each Friday we'll send home The Week Ahead (TWA). We also keep our website up to date. Please keep yourself up to date and feel free to connect with the school should you have any questions whatsoever via phone or email [Quilchena@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:Quilchena@sd38.bc.ca).

### Divisions:

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| • Ms. Davis     | Div. 1 Gr. 6/7 | • Ms. Deacon            | Div. 5 Gr. 3  |
| • Mr. Henderson | Div. 2 Gr. 6/7 | • Ms. Cavazzi/Ms. Maier | Div. 6 Gr.1/2 |
| • Mr. Grenzberg | Div. 3 Gr 5/6  | • Ms. Preswick          | Div. 7 Gr.K/1 |
| • Ms. Cantwell  | Div. 4 Gr. 4/5 |                         |               |

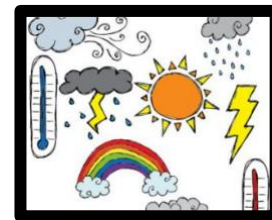
### In Other Quilchena News:

**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](#)



**Terry Fox:** The annual Terry Fox Run has become a Canadian tradition every fall with the country coming together to fundraise for cancer research. Our school-wide Terry Fox run will happen the afternoon of **September 19<sup>th</sup>** with the city of Richmond hosting their run on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at Garry point Park. Donations (our goal is to collect \$2 per student) to support Terry's *Marathon of Hope* can be made [HERE](#) throughout the month of September.

**Outside Weather:** Every day is an outside day at Quilchena. Students will not only be outside for recess and lunch play but taking part in learning activities outside throughout the day. Please remember to dress for the weather, especially as we move into our fall. A change of socks, pants and shoes are highly recommended as we want to limit the amount of phone calls home and drop offs at school. Thank you for your support with this.



**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.** Each morning we start with a school wide *Morning Walk* that begins at 8:45am. This is where the whole school goes out together for a morning walk 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.



**Parking Lot Safety:** Thank you for making the effort to walk/bike to school, which greatly reduces the amount of congestion in our parking lot. Safety is important to us and maintaining speed limits and parking rules, help immensely with this. Please only park in designated parking spots, while adhering to city signage and stopping hours. The ongoing construction on Moresby Dr. & No. 1 Rd. has been erratic and at times quite extensive. Please prepare an alternate route to school (see map below) for those days when construction is heavy.



**PAC News:** On behalf of the PAC Executive team, WELCOME back! We hope everyone had a rejuvenating summer break. As a part of the Quilchena community, you are a valued member of the Parent Advisory Council. The PAC is a forum for parents and guardians to discuss matters that impact our school. We also plan fundraising activities and community-building events that support our students' learning. Please attend our monthly meetings to stay informed with school happenings, connect with other families, and have a voice in making the most of your child's experience. Our first meeting will happen on Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Please feel free to email us at [quilchenapac@gmail.com](mailto:quilchenapac@gmail.com) if you have any questions. We look forward to meeting you and wish you the very best for the school year! 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).

### **PAC Food days are back!**

Tired of packing lunches for your child? Not to worry! This year our PAC food days will take place **weekly** on Mondays or Tuesdays. Vendors include Fresh Slice Pizza, Sushi Lovers, Taco Luis and more for the October to December term. Ordering and payment is done in the Hotlunches.net system. **Ordering will be open on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> and close on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Should you have any questions, please contact Noel at [noelleung82@hotmail.com](mailto:noelleung82@hotmail.com).

Register your children [HERE](#) Please visit the PARENTS page [HERE](#) and select 'PAC Fundraising' to find all the information on how to register and order your lunches in the **Hotlunches system!**

Term 1 Food Days are as follows:

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| Sept. 29 Sushi Lovers | Nov. 10 Libby's Kitchen |
| Oct. 6 Taco Luis      | Nov. 17 Just Poke       |
| Oct. 14 Freshslice    | Nov. 24 Freshslice      |
| Oct. 20 Just Poke     | Dec. 2 Sushi Lovers     |
| Oct. 27 Ttop Kitchen  | Dec. 8 Taco Luis        |
| Nov. 3 Village Curry  | Dec. 15 Village Curry   |

**Please Note:** Every year parents need to re-register to set up your account and place orders. Your login from last year won't work.



### **Family Photo Night**

Our very popular **PAC Family Photo Night fundraiser** is back! This year, we're holding an outdoor photoshoot, scheduled for Sunday, October 5th at Terra Nova Rural Park with last year's photographer: Vivian Chung Photography. We've booked the school gym for October 3rd as a backup just in case the weather doesn't work out. More information will come in next week's TWA

