

Queneesh Elementary

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I have attended a lot of elementary sporting events over the years and nothing tugs at my heart strings like watching children run in a cross-country run. It is a grueling event and it takes a strong will and determination to complete a run. Even though we sent a small team to Puntledge I am very proud of all of all our runners! Thanks to the coaches and parent drivers.

Students from Mr. Mann's class and Ms Currie's class have shown great initiative in organizing bake sales to raise funds for the victims of Nepal's earthquake. A disaster like that is a good reminder for us that because we live in an earthquake zone we should try to be prepared. Our emergency container is well stocked with first aid supplies, food, water, shelter, tools, clothing, etc. How prepared are you?

Before the end of the school year the teachers will be getting together to form next year's classes. We will take into account the parent requests that we received and then also look at things like academic performance, behaviour, gender and previous placements to try and create balanced classes. At this point it looks like we will be staffed for the same number of Neighbourhood classes (10) and one additional Montessori class (7). Our student population is projected to be 388 which is just slightly more kids than we have now.

Thank you to Ms Houlgrave for organizing our Jump Rope for Heart event and all the students who participated. We raised an amazing \$4256.66 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Congratulations to Chanelle & Savannah Meeres who each raised more than \$500 and earned the top prize of a bike.

Mr. C.

May PLC Early Dismissal Days

Please be sure to mark your calendars with the PLC early dismissal dates for May.

Wednesday, May 6th & 27th at 12:20 pm. Thanks.

Popcorn Fundraiser

On Wednesday May 13 at lunch time Team Queneesh will be selling popcorn to raise money for the Relay For Life. Bring \$1 for a bag of popcorn and help raise money to fight cancer!

PAC NEWS

The next PAC meeting is on **Thursday May 21st at 6 pm.** Elections will be held.

Note: new day

Library Books

All student library books must be returned no later than June 12th.

1000 x 5 **Recycling Children's Books** **for Early Literacy**

All children deserve a chance to be read to. 1000x5 aims to help with that – by the community, for the community. Through this initiative, gently used children's picture books are collected from our community, and delivered to a collection depot. There, the books are screened for suitability, sorted, cleaned and bagged by volunteers for distribution to children birth – 5 years. Please drop off any donations in the green box outside the Queneesh office. Thank you for your support.

Montessori Society Meeting

The next Montessori Society meeting is on Wednesday, May 20th at 6:30 pm.

Superstore Sponsored Breakfast

Thank you to Superstore who will be providing breakfast for all children on Thursday May 14th from 8:00 – 8:40 am

Are you moving for September?

If you are can you please let the office know as soon as possible as it helps us when organizing our classes for next year.

Tri-K Triathlon

Get a team together to bike, swim and run. For ages 5 – adult. This years event will be held on Sunday May 24th. Register on line at trik.ca



Montessori Fundraiser High Tea & Silent Auction

The Comox Valley Montessori Society is holding their 5th Annual High Tea and Silent Auction on Sunday, May 24th from 2-4 pm at Queneesh.

Please join us at our annual fundraiser for Montessori Education. Be prepared to be catered to a proper High Tea setting while shopping for Auction items generously donated by local small businesses. This year you will be entertained by some amazing local talent, Including [Stella Swanson](#) and [Joey Clarkson Music](#), we are so privileged!





Vancouver Island

POSITIVE PARENTING SEMINAR SERIES

SEMINAR 1

The Power of Positive Parenting

Children of all ages need a safe, secure and loving environment to do well. Positive Parenting is an effective approach to raising children that is positive. It involves creating a family environment that is loving, supportive and predictable. Come hear some suggestions about how to use positive parenting in raising your children.

SEMINAR 2

Raising Confident, Competent Children

The values, skills and behaviors to encourage in children are the choice of every individual parent. However, some core skills are important for everyone. Children are more likely to be confident, succeed at school and get on well with others when they develop certain life skills. These life skills include being respectful and considerate, communicating well with others, thinking positively and having healthy self-esteem, being a good problem solver, and becoming independent. Come hear some ideas on how to help children learn these important life skills and become confident and competent individuals.

SEMINAR 3

Raising Resilient Children

One of the most important tasks of parenthood is helping children learn to deal with their emotions. All children experience periods of stress in their lives and need the emotional skills to deal with it. Children's ability to cope with their feelings is important to their long-term happiness. Come hear about the six keys skills to help children build emotional resilience.

ATTEND ANY SEMINAR OR THE ENTIRE SERIES

Seminar 1 Thursday May 7
Seminar 2 Thursday May 14
Seminar 3 Thursday May 21

Queneesh Elementary School
(2345 Mission Rd. Courtenay)
6:30 - 8:30 pm

Call 897-0511 to register

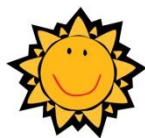
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <i>Hot Lunch</i> <i>Mr. Noodle/Veggies</i>	2
3	4	5	6 PLC Early Dismissal at 12:20	7	8 Intermediate Track Jamboree Vanier Track <i>Hot Lunch</i> <i>Booster Juice</i>	9
10	11	12	13	14 Breakfast from Superstore 8 am Grade 4's & 5's to the Big House	15 <i>Hot Lunch</i> <i>Kama Bento</i>	16
17	18 Victoria Day No School	19	20 Montessori Society Meeting 6:30 pm	21 PAC Meeting Elections 6 pm	22 <i>Hot Lunch</i> <i>Little Caesar's</i>	23
24 Montessori Fundraising Tea 2:00 – 4:00 pm 	25	26	27 PLC Early Dismissal at 12:20	28	29 Intermediate District Track Meet – Vanier Green Thumb Theatre <i>Hot Lunch</i> <i>Taco Time</i>	30



June 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Welcome To Kindergarten 5:00 – 6:00 pm	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Beach Day at Airforce Beach Houlgrave, Fullerton, David, Fowler, Hawkins, Jacobson, Von Niessen, Currie, Buchanan's classes	18 Beach Day at Airforce Beach Custer, Rippel, Gardner, McLaughlin, Anderson, Tobacca, Mann's classes	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Last Day of School 11:45 Dismissal	26	27
28	29	30				

First Day Back To School – Tuesday September 8th