



ÉCOLE QUARTERWAY

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Dear Quarterway families,

I hope this communication finds you and your loved one well.

Black history month

Black Canadians and their communities have been a part of shaping Canada's heritage and identity since the arrival of Mathieu Da Costa, a navigator, and interpreter, whose presence in Canada dates to the early 1600s.

During Black History Month, Quarterway school community as well as all people in Canada celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians and their communities who, throughout history, have done so much to make Canada a culturally diverse, compassionate, and prosperous country.

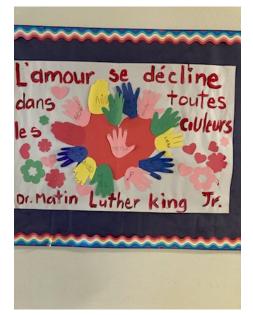
SPORTS CORNER

BASKETBALL SEASON

Basketball season is here with some teams starting practices next week! Make sure your child attends the first practice to sign up and get the season schedule. Thank you to all our coaches and our sponsors. We still need volunteers' referees for our games.

Grade 7 boys

- Monday practices 2:30 4:00 pm at Quarterway
- Wednesday games 2:45-3:45 pm wherever game takes place



Grade 7 girls

- Tuesday practices 2:30-4:00 pm at Quarterway
- Thursday games 2:45-3:45 pm wherever game takes place

Grade 6 boys

• Wednesday mornings - 7:45-8:30 am at Quarterway

Grade 6 girls

• Friday afternoons 2:30-4:00 pm at Quarterway

<u>Read-A-Thon: 20 Mins of reading Feb 5th – Feb 18th</u>

Pledge sheets coming home on Monday, Jan 22nd! The Read-A-Thon will run from Feb 5th to 18th, with students reading for at least 20 mins a day for the two-week period.

Lots of prizes to be won! All money raised will go towards improving our library and our book collection.

Other upcoming literacy activities to take part in:

• Jan 29-Feb 16: Teach Your Pet To Read

• Feb 12-Mar 8: Forest of Reading/ Battle of the Books

<u>West Coast Seed – Fundraiser:</u>

A Seed order form will be sent home. Please have a look and order your seeds from Westcoast Seeds. The money raised will support the Eco Club and the Seed library. Last year the seed library was a HUGE hit. Let's get ready for this year's planting season. Happy Gardening!

WINTER IS HERE:

This is a friendly reminder that there is no sledding at school during school hours starting from 8:30 am to 2:40 pm. Sledding before 8:30 am and after 2:40 <u>under parent</u> <u>supervision, is acceptable.</u> Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.





MUSIC CORNER:

For more information on upcoming music concerts regarding other grades' performances, please follow the link below.

Music Newsletter

Concert Tab of Music Concert Website

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER:

Rain or shine, we will be having recesses outside. Please ensure that your child(ren) are dressed appropriately to be outside every day. A pair of indoor shoes is also a necessity as the weather becomes rainy. Changing out of our wet and muddy boots helps keep our school clean for everyone.

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school or you know of dates your child will be away, we would ask you to please email the school at <u>info.qw@sd68.bc.ca</u> or please call by 8:35 am at 250-754 -6845. If we are unavailable to take your call, please leave a detailed message on our answering machine. Your child's safety is of the utmost importance to us.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

The school provides supervision 15 minutes before school and after school. Students should not arrive at school prior to 8:30 am. Similarly, please ensure that your child(ren) is picked up at the end of the day by **2:26** pm. If you know you will be late, please contact the office a minimum of 15 minutes before the end of the day, so that the office staff can locate your child and relay the message.

We would ask parents, as well as students, to walk their bikes when on school property as a safety for everyone.



A friendly reminder that the staff parking lot should not be used by parents, for parking, nor pick up or drop off. Thank you for your understanding.

UPCOMING FEBRUARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Monday/lundi	12	
Tuesday/mardi	13	• A "NO" Campaign – Grade 5 to 7
Wednesday/mercredi	14	NDSS Transition Plan Grade 7 Course selection
Thursday/jeudi	15	• PAC Meeting @5:30 in the school Lib
Friday/vendredi	16	
Weekend/Fin de Semaine		
Monday/lundi	19	School is closed- Family Day
Tuesday/mardi	20	
Wednesday/mercredi	21	
Thursday/jeudi	22	• Festival du sucre @ 9 in the school Gym
Friday/vendredi	23	

For monthly school activities and field trips, please visit Quarterway school website.

Sincerely,

Quarterway School Administration



