



# ÉCOLE QUARTERWAY

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Dear Quarterway families,

What an exciting week we have had with the snowy weather! As per our inclement weather policy please use your best judgement if you feel you can arrive to school safely.

# **REGISTRATION REMINDERS:**

Registration for Kindergarten and Academies began on January 4<sup>th, 2024</sup>. French Immersion Kindergarten registration will be open until January 31st; and Academies until March 31<sup>st</sup>. See attached documents for more information regarding the registration process and dates. For more information on the registration process, please see attached documents.

Please notify the school office at <u>Theora.Brandner@sd68.bc.ca</u> with any sibling that will be starting Kindergarten in September 2024

# **PARENT CORNER:**

Interested in resources on social-emotional learning? Check out Diane Alber's extensive series, <u>https://www.dianealber.com/</u>

A Little Spot of Kindness, A Little Spot of Teamwork, A Little Thankful Spot and A Little Spot of Worry are just some of the books she's developed. The targeted age-group is pre K to grade 3.

For parents of intermediate children interested in social-emotional literature, check out <u>https://trudyludwig.com/</u>

*My Secret Bully, Just Kidding, Sorry* and *Trouble Talk* are just some of the titles from her series.

# SPORTS CORNER

# **VOLLEYBALL SEASON:**

We wish our students good luck as we head into the final games of the season! Bonne chance!

# **BASKETBALL SEASON**

With much gratitde we thank our coaches who have volunteered to help with our Basketball season. It will run from January 29<sup>th</sup> to March 29th, followed by playoffs April 3rd to 14th.. Please contact **Kevin Trotter at 250-816-7626** for more information.



We will need parent assistance to drive students to games. Thanks for your continued support.

# Read-A-Thon: 20 Mins of reading Feb 5th – Feb 18th

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 22-26: Banned Books
- Jan 29-Feb 16: Teach Your Pet To Read
- Feb 5-9: VIRL Public Library Card Drive + Audiobooks/ Podcast
- 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 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 JANUARY- FEBRUARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Monday/lundi	29	• Div 13 -Curling		
Tuesday/mardi	30			
Wednesday/mercredi	31	• Div 3 – Museum		
		• Div 5-6 - Walk		
Thursday/jeudi	1 <sup>st</sup>			
Friday/vendredi	2 <sup>nd</sup>			
Weekend/Fin de Semaine				
Monday/lundi	5	• School Is Close – Pro-D		
Tuesday/mardi	6	School is close- Pro-D		
Wednesday/mercredi	7			
Thursday/jeudi	8	• Div 3 – Artists in the school		

Friday/vendredi	9	Hot Lunch – Pizza

For monthly school activities and field trips, please visit Quarterway school <u>website</u>.

Sincerely,

Quarterway School Administration







