

This Week at QJS April 21, 2023

Where we Live, Laugh and Learn the way of our Nations with
Responsibility, Respect, Cooperation, and Kindness



REMINDER: NO SCHOOL Friday – April 28
PROVINCIAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

QJS Celebrates Academic Excellence

5th Year in a Row!!

QJS are the Zone Champions in the Pascal Math Contest



Small town kids and teachers do a great job here in Quesnel. It

is important to realize that here in Quesnel you can have the best of both worlds; a great small town with lots of opportunities AND an excellent academic education! Congratulations to all those students who participated in this cross-Canada Math Contest (sponsored by University of Waterloo), and thanks to those teachers who work hard to help students achieve a level of excellence in mathematics here at QJS.



Special congratulations to David Gonzalez with the top mark, and is School Champion Pascal Math Competition 2023.



Track and Field has begun.

Practices take place Mondays and Thursdays after school at CSS. Congratulations to all QJS Track and Field Athletes who competed in The Icebreaker Track Meet Apr. 20-21 (Correliou). The next competition is the SUBZERO meet in Prince George, May 6 & 7.

French Immersion Celebration Week: Celebrating French Cultures Around the World

Correliou French Immersion students (grades 10-12) joined us here at QJS to celebrate French culture. Food is one great way to enjoy new cultures.



Dance ~ Another great way to celebrate cultures ~ grade 8 and 9 French Immersion students participated in dance workshops.



Lunch Time is Team Building Time:

Spike Ball returns to QJS



McCreary BC Adolescent Health Survey

4 QJS Classes participated in this survey (Tuesday, April 18th).

Contributing their voices to create helpful resources for young people in our province.

If you would like more information about the 2023 BC Adolescent Health Survey or the McCreary Centre Society, you can visit the website (www.mcs.bc.ca).

PanCanadian Assessment

One QJS Class, in POD 1, participated in the cross Canada academic assessment. (Friday, April 21st).



Report cards came out April 14th and your students should have brought home copies. Please contact the office (250-747-2103) if you have questions. If your child was absent on the day reports were given out, they can pick up the report at the office.

Certificates of Excellence will be handed out in PODs between April 19-27.



What's Going On In Classes?

Loving Literacy and Literature



Shakespeare lives and breathes.

POD 8 students learn just how many words and phrases we use today were created by “the Olde Bard”. If you “*wear your heart on your sleeve*”, you can thank William Shakespeare 😊

CHEMISTRY CAN SEEM LIKE MAGIC...

From SLIME to Colors of FIRE, chemistry can explain the wonders of the world.



Homework Block



Where?

Ms. Scott's Room
Room 125

When?

Thursday D Block
Term 3

Why?

If you need help with
homework or studying!
If you are behind in class and
need help getting caught up!

Remember!

Ask your teacher before you
come, they may want you in
class!

Bring

Something to work on
Pencil/Pen
Paper
Calculator



GLEE CLUB:

**Performing Live at the
Farmer's Market
(Helen Dixon Center),
Saturday, May
13th**



CLOSED CAMPUS : Designed for Student Safety To avoid confusion please familiarize your family with the school Sign in and Sign out Procedures

Students are to remain on campus unless a parent/guardian picks them up.

Picking up your child? No problem 😊

Call the office (250-747-2103) to let us know you are here to pick up your child. We will give your child a **permission slip to show staff we have recorded them absent at the office.**

Returning or arriving late to school? Come to the office and let us know you are here.



Nuts & Scents
Free School



***Special Note - Serious Health Risks:**

All School District buildings are scent free. Students intentionally disregarding the district scent free policy put others at risk and will be sent home. Students should leave scented products at home. Scented products at school may be confiscated and disposed of.

This is becoming an increasing problem. Please speak with your students about the need to respect the health of others.



A reminder that we are still a construction zone after school and with the snow leaving us there will be new areas of construction taking place around the school. Please have your young people avoid coming back to play here (biking, scooters, or other activities), just until the construction is finished. They will soon be beginning to work on soccer fields and other finishing touches on the outside of the building.



QJS Online Art Auction ~ May 4th

Access Link <https://sites.google.com/sd28.org/qjs-art-auction/home>

**Celebrating Young Artists in our
QJS Community**



Bidding will open Thursday May 4th 2023.

Bidding will close at 3:00 pm Monday May 8th 2023.

**Placer of the highest bid for each item after bidding closes will be the new owner of each item.
Winning bidders will be contacted to arrange pick up or drop off of item(s) pending payment.**

**Payments may be made in cash or by cheque to the office at QJS.
Please make cheques payable to Quesnel Junior School with "Art Auction" on the memo line.**

Money raised supplements QJS art budget; helps students gain experience, create things to decorate their room or home, give as gifts to friends or family & so much more.

UP coming ...



**Career Education Grade 9 Classes: Presentation from
BCFED Health and Safety Centre
May 4 during E Block**

FREE New and Young Worker Workshop
The Alive After 5 team is ready for 2023!

ALIVE AFTER 5

What we cover

- WorkSafeBC
- Hazard Recognition
- Injury Reporting
- Grant's Law
- 4 Basic Rights
- ... and much more!

Get in touch

Our Contact
1-888-223-9694 / 604-433-1435
www.aliveafter5.ca

Website
www.aliveafter5.ca

Social Media
@ALIVEAFTER5

Book now

BCFED Health & Safety

Employment Opportunity: Noon Hour Supervisor Position at QJS

If you like spending time with young people and enjoy helping create positive communities you might be perfect for our team. We are taking applications for a regular position at QJS. Inquiries, call the office for more information about the position and to pick up an application. 250-747-2103



IN THE PARENT'S CORNER Information for Parents

**links and information*

*Parent Portal Access for Attendance or Report Cards: Contact the office if you need help getting access to the Portal.
250-747-2103*

Next PAC Meeting May 8, 2023
QJS Library 7:00

2022-2023 Executive

Melissa Gonzalez – President
Philippa Murray – Vice President
Kim Scott – Secretary
Treasurer - **STILL NEEDED**



Consent Education ~ Ministry of Education BC

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safe-campus-bc/what-is-consent?keyword=consent&keyword=education>

It can be confusing for students to know when there is consent to participate in sexual activities. Here is some information that can help you start a conversation with your child.

Consent is not

Assumed



Being in a relationship or having a sexual history with someone does not imply consent. Communicating about consent is always necessary.

Pressured



If you have to convince someone to say "Yes" OR if they are afraid to say "No", then you don't have consent.

Silent



The absence of "No" is not a "Yes". Pay attention to your partner's body language and non-verbal cues.

Incapacitated



You can't get consent from someone who is asleep, unconscious or incapacitated.

Consent is

Active



Just because they didn't say "No", doesn't mean you have consent. Only "Yes" means "Yes".

A Choice



Everyone has the right to feel free to say "Yes" or "No" without pressure, threats, or manipulation.

A Process



Consent requires ongoing conversations with lots of TRUST. Just because someone says "Yes" to one thing, doesn't mean they say "Yes" to ALL the things. Everyone has the right to change their mind at any point.

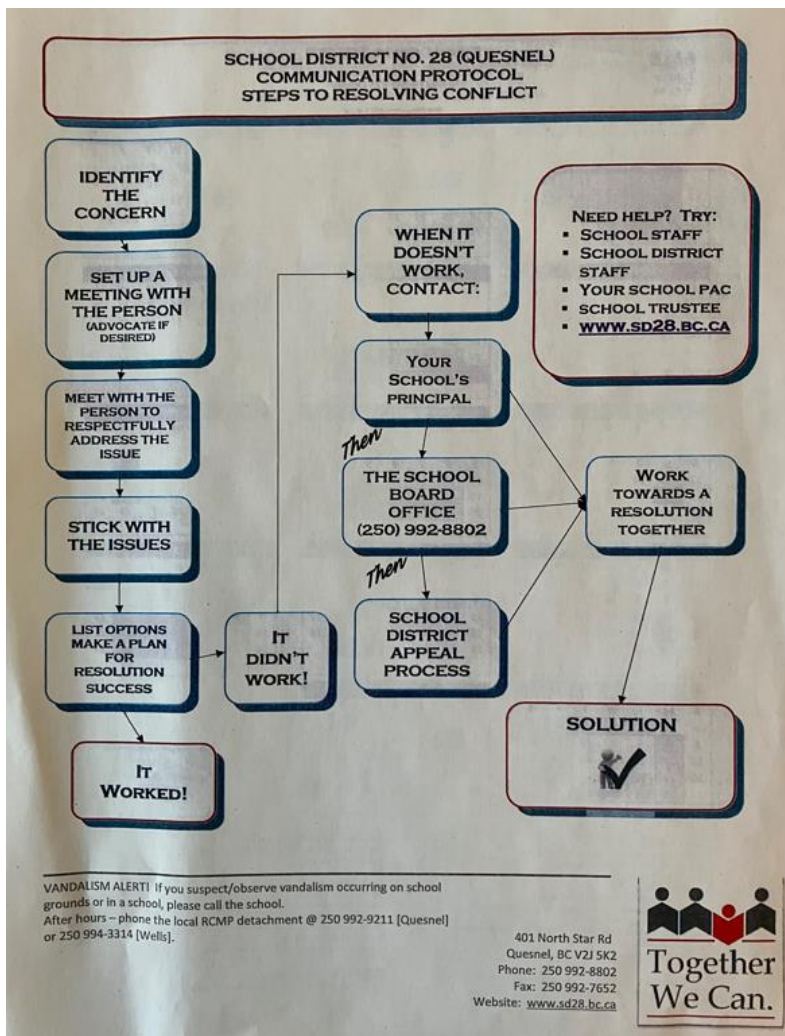
Based on Equal Power



If someone is under-age, drunk, asleep, unconscious or you occupy a position of power or authority over them, they cannot consent.

Newsletter format change:

Look for a new section, [Community Information](#), following the usual end of the newsletter (Expected Behaviours for Students – Handbooks and Code of Conduct links)



Got Questions or Concerns?

We always want to know and try to help resolve issues. Our most effective resolutions come from working together with those directly involved with the concern.

At QJS we work as a team to support your children.



Please let us know if your child is having difficulties with other students at school, so that we can help support them. They can also report using the anonymous link below. Each report is followed up by the school identified.

[Anonymous reporting tool for students | Report It Erase \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)



Masks are still available at the office and may be worn by anyone who wishes to wear one.



****If you have concerns or would like support for your child please contact one of our counselors:**

Grade 8 Peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca

Grade 9 Jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca



Do you know about something going on? Please let us know.

We work with families and students to resolve issues.

**Contact us: Mrs. Simpson 250-255-6057,
Mr. Loewen 250-991-9681,
Office 250-747-2103**

School safety is a shared responsibility that requires cooperation, collaboration and communication.

For more resources on bullying, what it is and what to do.

Check out: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase>

<http://www.sd28.bc.ca/content/bullying-concerns>

Questions?

Classes? If you have question or concerns please email your child's classroom teacher(s).

Other problems? Email school counselors for help

Gr. 9 Ms. Stevenson jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca,

Gr 8 Mr. Jespersen peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca

Expected Behaviours For Students:

Schools have a responsibility to work with students and families to create safe, caring learning environments. Therefore, students are expected to know and follow the behaviours outlined in the District #28 and QJS Codes of Conduct. (In Student and Parent Handbooks located on our Quesnel Junior School website [Quesnel Junior School - Home \(sd28.bc.ca\)](http://sd28.bc.ca))

Community Information

***see below



There is still space!!!!

Birth years 2005-2015 still have spots left
for YOUR player!

REGISTER TODAY!

(Sorry no availability for Tball and Blastball)

Please visit our Facebook Page, or our Website for
more information.

Online Registration form and EMT!

Season Starts in May

www.quesnelminorbaseball.ca

[https://www.facebook.com/quesnelminorbaseball
association](https://www.facebook.com/quesnelminorbaseballassociation)

gmbball@gmail.com

A poster for "Teen Art Space" with a yellow background and teal and orange decorative elements. The text reads: "Teen Art Space", "\$2.00 DROP-IN", "JOIN US FOR THIS ONCE A WEEK PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR TEENS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12-17 YRS. EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVE SIDE WHILE LEARNING A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT MEDIUMS.", "TUESDAYS, APRIL 11-MAY 16", "3:30PM-5:30PM", "QUESNEL ARTS & RECREATION CENTRE", and "QUESNEL & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL" with a logo. To the right of the poster is an illustration of an artist's palette with various colors and paintbrushes.

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QUESNEL & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Benefits of opening a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP)

Canada Learning Bond (CLB)

-  Up to \$2,000 will be deposited into RESP (upon eligibility).
-  Available to children born in 2004 or later, who are residents of Canada and have a (SIN).
-  Applied for through RESP provider.
-  Must be a resident of Canada.

B.C. Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG)

-  \$1,200 will be deposited into RESP.
-  Available to children within a three-year window from ages 6 and 9 who have a (SIN).
-  Applied for through RESP provider.
-  Must be a resident of British Columbia.

Both the CLB and BCTESG are valuable resources for families in British Columbia looking to save for their child's education. By taking advantage of both programs, families can receive significant financial assistance to help cover the cost of post-secondary education. The Northern Promise will be able to assist you with the process, answer any questions you have and connect you with an RESP provider.

THE NORTHERN PROMISE
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SPRING 2023 OUTDOOR REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



Offering a variety of programs for all players born 2019 - 2005

For more information and/or to register
 go to qysa.ca
 call us at 250-992-2223
 email us at qysams@gmail.com

Location - QYSA soccer fields 980 Anderson Drive

