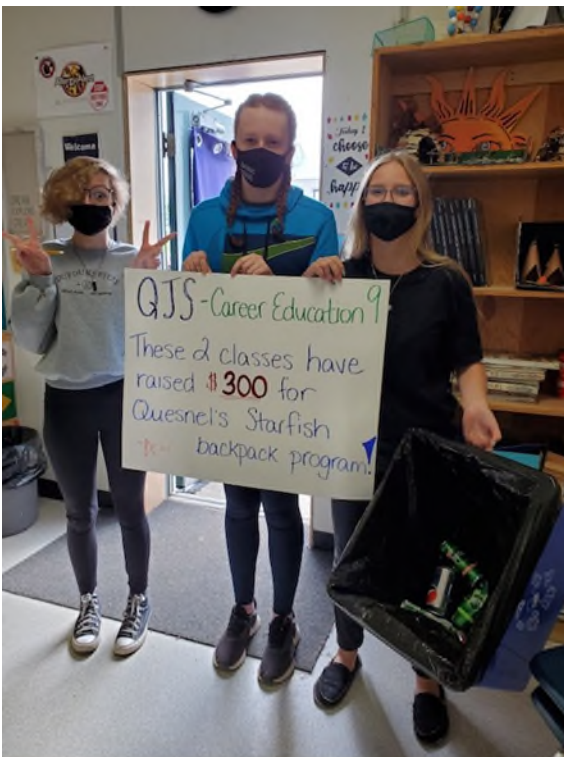


# This Week at QJS September 10, 2021

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



**Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year here at QJS. We look forward to working with you.**



**Community Service is valued at QJS**

**Last spring students in House 2 raised \$300 towards the local Starfish Pack Program, which means backpacks with supplies for more Quesnel students.**





## New:

- ✓ **New COVID Protocols** [\\*see attached to email](#)
- ✓ **No Cafeteria vendor yet – students bring lunch to school** (closed campus, no going off to get lunch \*highway and lack of sidewalk concerns)
- ✓ **Student Activity Fees** (funds allocated to each POD to use for celebrations/POD activities) **\*if this creates financial hardship contact Mrs. Simpson 250-255-6057 or Mr. Loewen 250-991-9681 to make other arrangements**
- ✓ **Student Handbook available at the office or located on the Quesnel Junior School website** <http://www.qjs.sd28.bc.ca/>
- ✓ **Parent Handbook available at the office or on the Quesnel Junior School website** <http://www.qjs.sd28.bc.ca/>
- ✓ **Locker assignments begin Monday**
- ✓ **Year Long PE for all – no changeroom access** (so no changing for PE at this time, wear clothing safe for activities)





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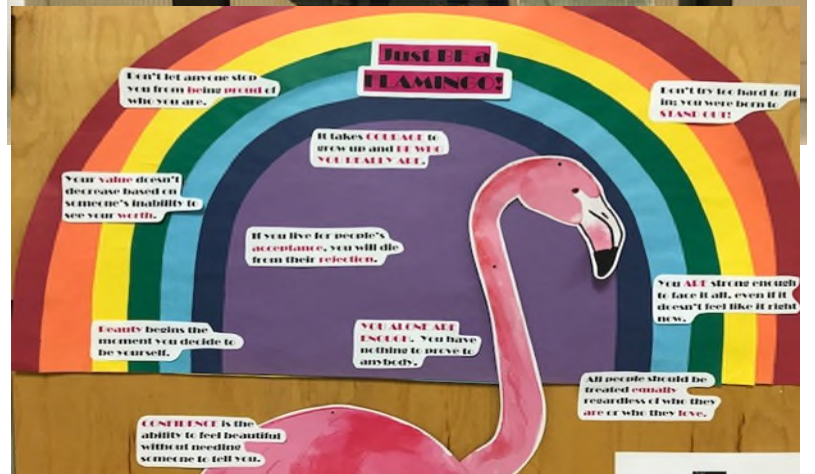


## Student Voice Group Door Decorating Event

Our school looks great thanks students.

**Theme: ACCEPTANCE**

*Working to create a safer and more accepting environment here at QJS. A two-year initiative.*



## BREAKFAST CLUB AT QJS



Your child is greeted every day by Melinda Nazuruk our Breakfast Club Coordinator Extraordinaire!

We are need of:

- 1) Two grade 8 students to help daily. (early risers who can get to school before the buses arrive is ideal)
- 2) Donations of \$ is always welcome (receipts available). We feed many hungry students daily. All students are welcome!



## School Lunch Program

At the end of the newsletter this week is a copy of our District School Lunch Program form. The purpose of the school lunch program is to provide a nutritious lunch to hungry children, who for financial reasons find it difficult to bring a lunch to school.

This information will be kept strictly confidential.

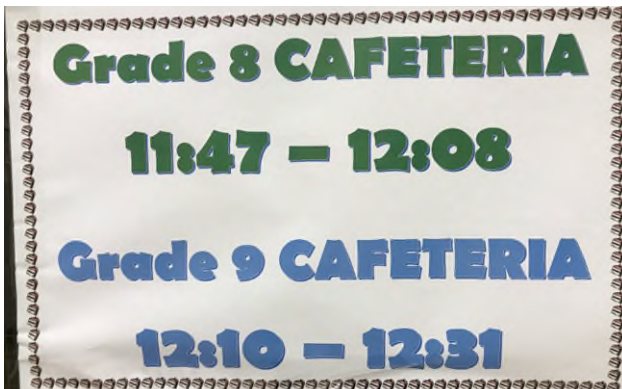
Parents/guardians can:

- Print out the attached form and send to school (drop off in office)
- Pick up the form in the office
- Call the school (250-747-2103) and we can complete the form for you



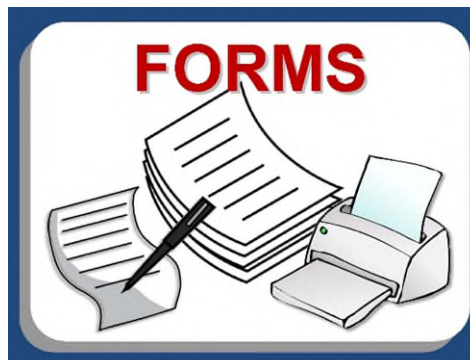
# School Lunch – CAFETERIA

Students will be welcome to eat the lunch they bring in the cafeteria. For the beginning of the year we will divide the time between grades (an effort to give our new grade 8 students a predictable space to eat).



\*Students will be able to eat outside or find other spaces on campus to sit and eat with friends. We are currently working on creating more eating spaces – stay tuned as plans evolve. We do recognize our crowded conditions and need to balance both COVID safety with reasonable spaces for students to each lunches.

## Please Return Forms



It is very important for the school to have updated information about your child should there ever be an emergency and we need to get in touch with parents/guardians. Verification forms along with a blanket permission form, medical form & internet usage form are sent home with students the first week of school. Throughout the year, if your information changes, please contact the school.

# **PAC UPDATE**

## **2020-2021 Executive**

Melissa Pollock – President  
Kelly Olsen - Vice President  
Tania Fuccenecco – Treasurer  
Nancy Lilienweiss – Secretary



**Big Thank You to our PAC for the work they did to help our school last year. PAC is open to all parent/guardians. Watch for information in emails and newsletters regarding the first meeting.**

## **Start Up – Getting used to a new school can be tricky**

**Watch for emails (sometimes get lost in junk mail at first) and check Facebook/Website for more information. Any time you have questions don't hesitate to call and ask, 250-747-2103.**

## **Class Questions?**

**Students have received schedules for this year and have met their teachers and classmates. If you have concerns please email the classroom teacher or our school counselors.**

**Gr. 8 Ms. Stevenson [jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca](mailto:jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca),**

**Gr 9 Mr. Jespersen [peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca](mailto:peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca)**

# Safety Reminder: Careful Hand hygiene keeps you and others safe.



Masks are to be worn by everyone, when inside (unless eating or drinking - designated times and places). If your child requires a mask exemption, contact the school so a safety plan can be agreed on and put in place.



## Upcoming Dates

September 19 - Community Terry Fox Run

September 20 – School Terry Fox Run

September 24 – Photo Day (for student ID cards \*no cost to students) and photo packages available for purchase

September 29 – School Orange Shirt Day

September 30 – Orange Shirt Day **New Stat Holiday** (no school for students)



## NEW: IN THE PARENT'S CORNER Information for Parents

*\*here we post some links and information we hope you find helpful (always open to suggestions for topics)*

### Screenagers: Two Moms, Two Experiments In Less Screen Time

[Tech Talk Tuesdays | Two Moms, Two Experiments In Less Screen Time \(screenagersmovie.com\)](https://www.screenagersmovie.com)

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

Grade 9 [Peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca](mailto:Peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca)

Grade 8 [Jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca](mailto:Jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca)

#### **CLOSED CAMPUS**

#### **Sign in and Sign out Procedures**

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

**Picking up your child? 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 late? Come to the office and let us know you are here.**



# 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://www.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>**

**First Day Orientation for Grade 8 Students- Students were welcomed by staff and participated in various activities.**



# Lunch Program Application:



241 Kinchant St  
Quesnel, B.C. V2J 2R3

## District Lunch Program School District 28 (Quesnel)

Telephone 250-991-5566  
Fax 250-991-5565

### SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM – SEPTEMBER 2021

The Quesnel School District offers daily free lunches to students in need. Families are asked to fill-out the form below and return it to the school, or to contact their school principal to request their child(ren) be referred to the lunch program.

All lunches are prepared following WorkSafe BC protocols at McNaughton Centre. The lunch program is required to follow Canada's Food Guide and is designed to avoid common food allergies. If your child has a serious allergy we need to be made aware of, the school will need a medical note from the family doctor stating the child's name and specific allergy.

Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return it to the school office by **September 22, 2021**. If you have any questions regarding the lunch program, please contact your school.

**All information will be kept strictly confidential.**

### SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM CONSENT FORM

Please fill out the following information if you wish your child to be considered for the Lunch Program.

I give permission for my child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the district lunch program.  
Child/Children's Names

**I understand that my child is not to waste, or throw any food away. If this occurs, he/she will be removed from the lunch program.**

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I am available to discuss this request at the following daytime telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Division \_\_\_\_\_