

This Week at QJS November 3, 2023

Located on the traditional territory of the Lhtako Dene, where we Live, Laugh and Learn the way of our Nations with *Responsibility, Respect, Cooperation, and Kindness.*



It is a privilege to work and learn here every day.



Nuts & Scents
Free School



NUT & SCENT FREE SCHOOL Reminder
that scented products need to stay at home. We are a **Scent Free School** because there are people with very serious allergies! Scented products will need to be confiscated.

QJS Official Grand Opening and Flag Raising: the Lhtako Flag, smudged and blessed, now flies alongside the Canada and BC flags here at Quesnel Junior School.



Thank you to all the Lhtako Band and council members who participated in our grand opening ceremonies.



Appreciation and thanks to Chief Clifford Lebrun for welcoming us to the territory and speaking of the continued work we do together to support growth and learning for individuals in our community. Thanks also to Lhtako Elders for smudging and blessing the new flag.





Students and staff worked to prepare and welcome the community into Quesnel Junior School ~ it was wonderful to see and here the appreciation for our beautiful school as people saw it for the first time. Many commented on how much schools and learning has changed, and that they would like to come back to school these days.

What's Going On In Classes?

Halloween Activities and Celebrations = Learning Too



Science on Halloween can look like a crime scene investigation: Solving a Murder... in POD 8



Drama Tech: A take-off on Hair Design, and maybe a little teasing of Mr. Ross 😊





If you missed the meeting on Oct. 24th and are interested in joining, be sure to speak with Mr. Loewen this week! Practices are led by highly experienced coaches and are on Saturdays. Families need to arrange their own transportation to Troll Resort. Please note that this is a separate program from our school fun trips to Troll Resort in spring.

CLUBS AND TEAMS:



The Cross Country team is off to Provincials, stay tuned for results...



Grade 9 Girls Volleyball

team are amazing. Great results at the tournaments in Prince George and Kamloops. They placed 3rd in our tournament in PG 2 weekends ago. And went to Kamloops last weekend and finished 2nd. They are doing so well!

PG Tournament:

Back row- (coach) Tanner Godlonton, Lexi Wasstrom, Sloane Godlonton, Isla Hemming-Jensen, Rhys Schilling, Anja Sales, Kali Forgrave, Sara Pfannmueller, (coach) Noah Visser
Front row- Taya Wyssen, Abbigale White, Zoey Visser

PAC UPDATE – All Parents/Guardians are members

Next meeting Tuesday, November 14th 6:30, in the Library Learning Commons (LLC)

New Executive to be announced

Pippa Murray– President
()- Vice President
()– Treasurer
Kim Scott– Secretary



Big Thank You to our PAC for coordinating the Grand Opening Pizza Celebration for all students and staff at lunch on Friday. So much appreciated



WOWZA, that's a lot of PIZZA!!



PAC is open to all parent/guardians.

POD 3 Halloween Costume Picture



Staff Halloween Costume Picture ~ A Villainous Group



School Halloween Costume Picture ~ so many amazing costumes!!





... and soooooo many more creative costumes.



Quesnel Youth Travel Club had an amazing time in Italy last March and we are looking forward to our trips to Costa Rica in March 2024 and Greece in July 2024. Those trips are full and meetings are underway.

Quesnel Youth Travel Club is going to Central Europe! Join us as we tour Budapest, Vienna, Prague, Munich, Salzburg and Bavaria in July 2025.

An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Correlieu Library to share the itinerary, costs involved, and answer all of your questions.

If parents/guardians have any questions, please contact the Group Leader, Angelina Gauthier angelina.gauthier14@gmail.com

**Group Leader
Quesnel Youth Travel Club**

Class Questions?

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

Gr. 8 Ms. Stevenson jenniferstevenson@sd28.bc.ca,

Gr. 9 Mr. Jespersen peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca

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

Grade 9 Peterjespersen@sd28.bc.ca

Grade 8 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>

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.**

Upcoming Dates

Flags at 1/2 mast Nov 8-13 in recognition of Veterans

Nov 8 Indigenous Veterans Day (11 a.m. 1 min silence)

Nov 9 QJS Remembrance Day Ceremony

Nov10 – No School Remembrance Day

Nov14 PAC meeting 6:30 in Library Learning Commons

Dec 1 Term 1 ends

Dec 14th Term 1 Reports come out

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



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



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. (Student [2023-2024 Student Handbook 4th Edition.docx.pdf](#) and Parent Handbooks [School Handbook | Quesnel Junior School \(sd28.bc.ca\)](#) located on our Quesnel Junior School website)

Safe Schools -

Students at QJS are expected to resolve conflict peacefully, many get help with this; adults are here to help. Please reach out.

[Fair Warning \(VTRA\)](#)

