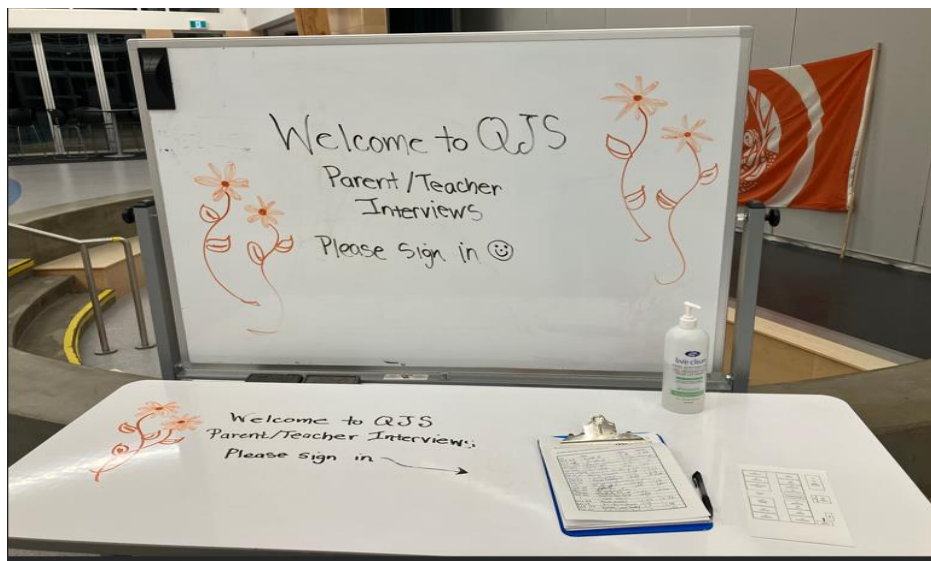


This Week at QJS November 1, 2024

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



Parent Teacher Interviews: If you missed an opportunity to talk with your child's teacher(s), you can always reach out by email to them and arrange a conversation.

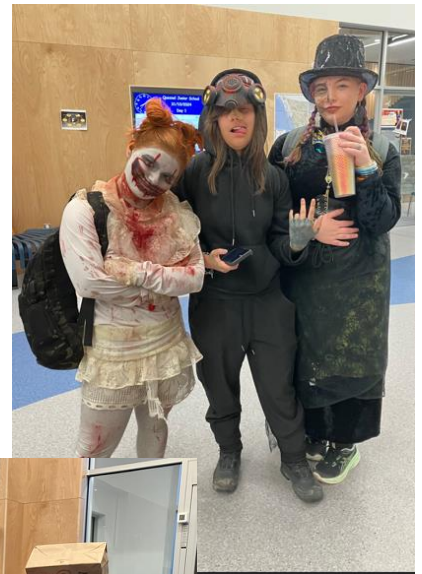


HALLOWEEN DAY AT QJS

Thanks to everyone who created some wonderful, school appropriate, creative costumes!!









HAVE YOU SEEN MR. JEFFERIES?

OCTOBER 23-30

If you see Mr. Jefferies around the school, be sure to fill out a ticket. He will be in a different spot everyday. (He is wearing some new Riverhawks merch this year)

- Get tickets from the office or your teachers
- draw box in the office
- You need to include your first AND last name, where you saw him, and the day.

There will be 10 prizes of candy bags given to our draw winners. Draw will be done on Oct 31st!

Mr. Jefferies Contest Winners 2024

*Logan Dinsdale-	POD 6
*Delany Surina-	POD 2
*Zoey Saltz-	POD 6
*Frank Rosoman-	POD 5
*Storie Rosger-	POD 2
*Andie Kishkan-	POD 2
*Pedro Garcia-	POD 2
*Lukhas Schlopp-	POD 3
*Zalone Brennan-	POD 7
*Jade Fritz-	POD 5

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who participated!

A yearly QJS Tradition 🤪
 Thanks Ms. Turner and team
 for keeping the tradition alive!

All Schools in the district are scent free. Please work with your young adults to leave body sprays, colognes/perfumes and other scented products at home; there are people with very serious allergies in our school! Reminder ~ Scented products will need to be confiscated if brought and used at school.



Nuts & Scents
Free School



Add a little Sweet to your Life; put in your easy order by clicking the link below and support our Quesnel Canadian Parents for French Fundraising. All funds go to local students.

A Sweet Treat Awaits!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1947949-122022>

Order from now until December 1st
Pick up December 13th @ Ecole Red Bluff Lhtako
Just in time for the holidays

CPF Quesnel Fundraiser

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1947949-122022>



Knights of Columbus®
St Ann's Parish Hall
160 Sutherland Ave
November 2
10am-4pm

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for Kids**

Faith in Action Community



Clarifying possible confusion:
a reminder that students stay on campus unless you are picking them up (no trips to the stores). If you are calling to sign your child out of school early for the day, they would be picked up or are walking home. They would not be returning for school sports, or to ride the bus – they have gone home for the day. *Exceptions for appointments, of course.*

**** NO Food Deliveries** (i.e. Door Dash, or Pizza etc.); **only families and SD 28 vehicles** should be arriving at our school, and we like to support our Concession vendor.

Class Questions?

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

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

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



PAC UPDATE - You are all members, so you are welcome to drop in and see what a meeting feels like 😊

Tuesday, Nov. 12th 6:30

QJS PAC meeting in the Library Learning Commons (LLC)

Look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, October 15 in the Library Learning Commons at 6:30pm.

If you have any questions please reach out to pacatqjs@gmail.com or email TrishSimpson@sd28.bc.ca.

New Executive 2024-2025

President - Philippa Murray

Vice President - Thais Garcia da Silva Fraga

Seth Ellerbeck - Treasurer

(Vacant still) - Secretary



PAC is open to all parent/guardians. Meeting once a month for about an hour. A great place to gather information about your child's school, and have input. Please consider joining us.

Watch for new info and check out the QJS PAC Facebook page. QJS PAC

The Parent Portal – used to see attendance and to get report cards: Getting into the Parent Portal on MyEd can be tricky. If you are struggling to see your child’s attendance please contact the office and ask for Nichole; she will be able to help. Any time you have questions don’t hesitate to call and ask, 250-747-2103.

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.



Upcoming Dates

November 8 – Remembrance Day Assembly

November 11 - Remembrance Day (no school)

November 25 – NI Day Indigenous Focus (no school)



Nuts & Scents Free School





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)***

Here is a list of the regularly scheduled emergency drills for this year:

November 5 – Fire Drill 5th block

April 2 - All in one drill 4th block

May 7 Fire Drill 3rd block

June 3 Fire Drill 1st block



Screenagers YouTube - Latest Videos

- 10/29 - [Examples of Consequences | Larry Rosen PhD](#)
- 10/22 - [How Our Brains Process Emotions | Adriana Galvan PhD](#)



Artificial Intelligence

Super Scary Snapchat AI and Other AI Chatbot Companions

A few weeks ago, I read a report from a wonderful organization called Voicebox, called [Coded Companions](#), about what young people were experiencing when engaging with Snapchat's built-in AI chatbot, My AI, and another character chatbot called [Replika](#).

The experiences were incredibly dystopian. Immediately after reading the report, I reached out to the lead researcher, Natalie Foos, who is also the director of Voicebox, to ask if she would be on The Screenagers Podcast.

We had an interview set up for the evening of Oct 23rd. That morning, when talking with my son, I told him about the report, and he said I had to read that day's New York Times article titled, [Can A.I. Be Blamed For A Teen's Suicide?](#)

Read the full article [Screenagers Blog | Super Scary Snapchat AI and Other AI Chatbot Companions](#)

Screenagers YouTube – Last Week's Options

- 10/15 - [How TV and Online Videos Affect Kids'](#)

[Attention Spans | Dimitri Christakis, MD](#)

- 10/08 - [Is Multitasking a Myth? | Larry Rosen PhD](#)

- 09/17 - [The Importance of Teacher-Student](#)

[Connections | Darice Johnson](#)

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

Grade 8 Peterjerspersen@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,
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>

QUESNEL COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS:

National Child Day Early Years event – November 20, 2024 -

<https://www.sd28.bc.ca/sites/default/files/images/2024-10/2024-11-20%20-%20NationalChildDay.jpg>

Quesnel Live Arts presents *Piano Heist* – November 19, 2024 -

<https://www.sd28.bc.ca/sites/default/files/images/2024-10/2024-11-19%20-%20Piano%20Heist.jpg>

Quesnel & District Arts Council presents *The Great Balanzo* –

November 16, 2024 - <https://www.sd28.bc.ca/sites/default/files/images/2024-10/2024-11-16%20-%20QAC%20-%20Balanzo.jpg>

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.

Students are expected to know and follow the behaviours outlined in the District #28 and QJS Codes of Conduct.

Student [2024-2025 Student Handbook 5th Edition.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 \(VTRA\)](#)

