

The Queen Charlotte Intermediate Newsletter – December 2025

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QC COYOTES ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

Beginning November 24th our students and staff began to collect non-perishable food items for our local food bank. Our annual QC food drive involves all QC students, staff and families in support of our community, and for all Islanders. Food items can be brought into Homeroom classes in the morning or afternoon each day until December 16th. Our Student Council co-presidents and student council HR class reps will organize, box up, and deliver our food items to the food bank on Tuesday, December 16th. Parents/families who would like to drop off food items to support our food drive, please drop the items off at the main office. Thanks for your continued support!

DONATIONS TO SUPPORT OUR QC FAMILIES

At this time of year, it is especially tough to make ends meet to support the needs of a family. If you would like to donate to support our QC families this Christmas, please call our main office at 902-368-6970 for more details. A big thanks to our QC staff for their \$10/per person dress down donation that will go directly to support QC families. We would like to thank our community members, including businesses, restaurants, and local grocery stores for their donations. Wishing everyone a holiday season full of kindness, caring, and sharing for all to enjoy together.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thanks to all our QC parents and families who participated in our Parent Teacher interviews in person or by phone on November 21st and 22nd. It was a terrific turnout for our first set of interviews, and we want to thank our entire QC learning community for your positive feedback and tremendous ongoing support.

GRADE 9 TRIP - OTTAWA/QUEBEC PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

We will have our next Ottawa/Quebec Grade 9 Trip Meeting for all parents and students who have signed up for our grade 9 trip on Wednesday, December 3rd at 6:00 pm in the Cafeteria. The trip will take place from Monday, January 12th - Friday, January 16th, 2026. The staff from Target Tours will be at QC to talk about final details for packing, overview of the itinerary, final pricing, and will take time to answer any questions pertaining to the trip. We hope everyone has signed up with Target Tours to ensure all information and registration is in place for the trip. All information and details about the trip are available on our QC website.

GRADE NINE TRIP DONATIONS

Queen Charlotte Intermediate is looking for donations to support our students taking part in our annual grade 9 trip to Ottawa and Quebec. This is an enriching, educational experience for our students and we are reaching out to our community to see if anyone would consider donating to support students in need. All monetary donations will go directly to the families who require support for the trip. Donations can be dropped off at the school or e-transferred to queencharlotte1954@gmail.com

ATTENDANCE AND ENGAGEMENT IN THE PSB

QC and all schools across PEI continue to focus on the importance of regular attendance and being in school every day. Being present and on time ensures that students have the best opportunity to engage fully in their learning and stay connected with their peers and teachers. Let's continue working together to help reinforce the value of consistent attendance. If your child is going to be absent due to illness or medical appointment etc. please call the school at (902) 368-6970 or you can send an email to: qcattendance@edu.pe.ca

REPORT CARDS

All report cards for Grade 7, 8 & 9 will go home with students on Friday, December 5th.

LIBRARY

If you're planning to spend the holiday break cleaning out some closets, the QC library will happily accept donations of good-quality, age-appropriate, and up-to-date books. We are especially grateful for donations of hardcover Guinness World Records books (any year) and Diary of a Wimpy Kid books, as our copies are quite well-loved!

BAND CONCERT

The Band Concert for Grade 7, 8, 9 & Jazz bands will be held on Wednesday, December 10th at 6:30 pm in our school Gymnasium.

CAFETERIA SERVICES

The cafeteria will be open to students up to and including Friday, December 19th, 2025.

ART CLUB

Art Club takes place every Wednesday in the cafeteria from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Materials are supplied and everyone is welcome.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework Club will take place every Wednesday from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. The club is an excellent opportunity to get extra support from Colonel Gray students. You can work on finishing homework, assignments or prepare for upcoming assessments in any subject.

YEARBOOK

Reserve your copy of 'A QC Original' – the 2025-26 Yearbook now! Orders were taken during parent teacher interviews and are still available online and through e-transfer. If a student wants to place an in-person order, they can see Mr. Taggart in Tech Ed or Mr. Trainor in room 204. Ordering will close as of January 31st. At that time, no more orders will be taken. Extra books are not ordered, and in the past, we have had students disappointed when they have not received them. We encourage all students who might be interested in a yearbook to place their orders right away. Cost is \$38. The QC yearbook is ranked as one of the best in Atlantic Canada. Online orders can be made at <http://ybstore.friesens.com/stores/326675>, or by e-transfer to queencharlotte1954@gmail.com. Please state that it is a yearbook you are ordering, and the name and class of your child. We are also looking for pictures of grade 9 students during 'Take Our Kids to Work Day'. If you have photos that you can share, please email them to Mr. Taggart at crtaggart@edu.pe.ca

ATHLETICS

A Girls Basketball Team: Hailey Rayner, Regina Zhang, Madi Waite, Isla Richardson, Mary Albert, Callie Deacon, Alexis Barret, Hannah Costa, Brooklyn LeClair, Emma Chaloner, Rithvi Bandukeerthi, Jayne Matheson. Coaches Jenna Montgomery, Sara Henthorn, Mariah Jenkins.

A Boys Basketball Team: Liam Belina, Andrew Vos, Neeko Cormier, Oliver Meads, Baraka Cuma, Marcus Conroy, Ethan Lo, James Bingham, Dave Surio, Fabian Rodriguez, Patrick Hillier, Robert Li. Coaches Dale Conroy, Jon Vos

Tier 2 A Boys Basketball Team: Clive LeCoure, Benjamin Afanes, Garrett Scales, Ethan White, Oliver Crozier, Emmett Doucette, Nate Dow, Jude De Silva, Max Daley, Jermaine Gonzales, Mohammed Khatib, Maks Robison, Mao Huang. Coach Bobbi Lawlor White.

AA Girls Basketball Team: Hadley MacLean, Phoebe LeCoure, Adele Saunders, Emma Ghiz, Sophia Bourque, Nadia Lannigan, Maxinne Bereng, Nora Cameron, Gabi Cormier, Maria O'Halloran, Allie Bradley, Ellie Bourque. Coaches Kara Whitnell, Carlene Mayhew, Mike Saunders.

AA Boys Basketball Team: Jack Ghiz, Marcus Jreije, Jeremiah Idowu, Jace Bevan, Gabriel Arellano, Logan McMurrer, Malcom Cong, Jonah Lawlor, Cruz Bevan, Zach Nordoff, Levi Hickey, Max Jreije. Coaches Steve Lawlor, Angela Lawlor, Quantin Bevan

Wrestling: Ben Bradley

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

Coming soon....January, 2026!

Please note, under the direction of the PSB, we will no longer be accepting e-transfers for payments of fees at the school. Beginning in the new year, January of 2026, Queen Charlotte Intermediate is pleased to announce that we will be implementing SchoolCash Online, an online payment platform for all school fees, including student fees, athletic fees, band fees, field trips, yearbooks, etc. Cash payments are not encouraged, but can still be accepted. Thank you for your support!

How to register

Go to: <https://publicschoolsbranch.schoolcashionline.com> and click Register. Enter your first name, last name, email address, and create a password Select a security question Select Yes to receive email notifications (note that you will not receive any promotional emails) You will receive a confirmation via email. Check your Spam folder if you don't receive it. Use your email address and password to log in to your account. Once you are logged in to your account, navigate to "My Account" from the dropdown menu, select "My Students" and click to add a child. Type your school board name, then choose your school from the list. Enter your child's details and click confirm.

Benefits to parents and schools

SchoolCash Online helps parents and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly, and easily. In addition to convenience for yourself, you will help increase efficiency and security at your school by making payments directly into your school's bank account. This allows teachers and secretaries to focus on helping students and not counting cash. In addition, you are immediately informed about school activities!

How it works

Powered by KEV Group, SchoolCash Online is the industry leader in the safe and secure management of school fees. This system puts all the school-related fees for your student online for purchase. Schools post their items and activities and assign the relevant fees to your student, so you can then make purchases online using your credit card. This allows you to stay informed about upcoming school activities while keeping track of the school fees that require your attention.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS BRANCH – SCHOOL CLOSURES DURING THE SCHOOL DAY
SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS

All PSB school cancellations will be announced on local radio stations and posted on our website by 7:00am. An announcement that "classes in all Public Schools Branch schools are cancelled" means that there is no school for students. An announcement of a "system wide shutdown" indicates that all schools and offices are closed. In some instances, it may only be necessary to close an individual school or a "family of schools". Partial system closures or delays will be announced by family of schools. Please note that Queen Charlotte is part of the Colonel Gray Family of Schools.

ONE-HOUR DELAY

If a decision on cancellation cannot be made by 7:00am, a one-hour delay will be announced whereby all schools and buses will operate one hour later than usual. A further announcement will be broadcast by 8:00am. Please note that if school operates on a one-hour delay, band practice and breakfast program are cancelled.

LATE BUSES

In some instances, even in fine weather, buses may be delayed. Parents will be notified via radio broadcast that a bus will be delayed (i.e. Bus #94 is running 30 minutes late)

SCHOOL CLOSURES DURING THE DAY

It may be necessary to close a school or a family of schools part way through a school day for weather related concerns. Detailed announcements will be made on local radio stations and posted to our school board website. Parents who will not be at home when children arrive are responsible for making alternate arrangements for the care of their children on such days. Please ensure your child is aware of mid-day closure arrangements.

EXTREME WEATHER DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Should Transportation Infrastructure Renewal and/or the RCMP recommend that school buses remain off Island roads, students may be required to remain at school beyond their normal dismissal time (unless picked up by a parent or designate). Announcements will be made on local radio stations and posted to our school board website.

On days when classes are in session, and the low temperature combined with wind provides a wind chill of -20 or below, students will not be required to go outside at recess or lunch or remain outside upon morning arrival.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PARENTS

- The final decision to attend school or to travel to school via school bus always rests with the parent.
- Please do not drop children off at school unless you are certain that school is operating that day and that staff are present to supervise the children.
- Please listen to the radio and check the school board website frequently between 6:30 and 8:00 am daily to determine if schools are operating. Every effort will be made to have announcements broadcast by 7:00 am.
- Please do not call the school, school board office, or radio stations for information on cancellations or delays. Such calls tie up telephone lines which may be needed for emergency use.

DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER

- 3 Grade 9 trip parent information meeting in the Cafeteria 6:00 pm
- 5 Report Cards issued at 2:50 pm
- 10 Band Concert 6:30 pm (Gymnasium)
- 16 Last day of the Food Drive
- 16 Draw date for the Grade 9 trip raffle tickets
- 19 Last day for Breakfast Program 2025
- 19 Last day of classes for 2025

JANUARY

- 5 First day of classes for 2026

Season's Greetings!
We wish everyone a safe
and happy holiday.

