

# Queen Charlotte Intermediate Newsletter - February 2024

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## STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

We wanted to remind parents, guardians, students, and families about Staff Appreciation Week, which takes place February 12 to 16, 2024. It is a great time to acknowledge, thank, say a kind word, send an e-mail, and to offer appreciation to our Queen Charlotte Intermediate staff.

## QC HOME & SCHOOL NEWS

It is getting close to Staff Appreciation Week (February 12-16). We would like to provide snacks and treats for the staff during this week. If you can contribute a snack/treat or would like to send a gift card, please email our QC Home & School Chairperson, Heather Mullen at [mullenpei@gmail.com](mailto:mullenpei@gmail.com)

An exciting fundraising event that our QC Home & School has been participating in is called Gold Rush. Our fundraising dollars support purchases and items for our library, small appliances for our cafeteria for breakfast and lunch programs, for uniforms and equipment for athletics and band, as well as other school wide activities. We appreciate all your support. Please see the link below to find out more about Gold Rush and how to get involved in a weekly draw. Tickets are \$5 each week and the pot grows until a winner is selected.

Link: <https://queencharlotte.edu.pe.ca/external-links/queens-county-home-school-gold-rush>

## QC - CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As we celebrate Black History Month during February, we would like to share our exciting activities, presentations, and events planned for our QC students and staff. We are glad to be offering a wide variety of information, interactive platforms, and school-wide activities to make this a memorable Black History Month for everyone at QC. Each day, during morning announcements, we will highlight various Black Canadians and their achievements with personal biographies to learn more about the history of Black Canadians and contributions to our country.

During the week of Feb 5 - 9, we will have the opportunity to welcome volunteer presenters from the PEI Black Cultural Society, to talk about Black History Month to all our QC students and staff. On Monday, February 5th, five of our grade 7 HR classes will be attending a concert at Beaconsfield Carriage House. Scott Parsons will be performing as a celebration of Black History Month and as a thank you to the schools that have taken part in our learning activities which have a direct connection to black history here on PEI. Scott Parsons writes and performs many of the songs that are part of black history programming at Beaconsfield.

Our staff have many Black History Month resources, links, and information that we share and are using in our subject classes across the curriculum, so our students continue to learn about Black History during the school year.

## LATE FRENCH IMMERSION (incoming grade seven students/parents – September 2024)

All grade six families that are in a feeder school for Queen Charlotte have received an information letter from your school. Feeder schools include: Spring Park, St. Jean, West Kent and West Royalty Elementary Schools. We will hold an information meeting for parents here at Queen Charlotte Intermediate school in the cafeteria on Thursday, February 15 at 6:00pm. The presentation outlines the expectations and overview of the LFI program at the intermediate level.

LFI registration forms will be available at all feeder schools on Friday, February 16 after students and parents have had the opportunity to view the presentation. All registration forms are to be passed back to grade six teachers or administration at the feeder schools. The deadline for LFI registration is Friday, March 1, 2024.

## PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Our interviews are Thursday, March 7 from 6:00 - 8:30pm and Friday, March 8 from 8:30 AM - 12:00pm. Please review the following information below to prepare for upcoming interviews.

We will have two appointments available per student for an in-person interview. As well, we are offering phone interviews as an option again. Please see the information below with regards to the On-line Parent/Teacher Interview Booking System.

If you prefer a phone call, in lieu of signing up for an in-person interview, please send an email to the teacher you would like to speak to and include the phone number you can be reached at in the email. Each teacher will contact you during the week of March 4 – 8 to give you an update on your child's progress.

To help organize and prepare for interviews, please login into PowerSchool to view your child's progress, your child's teachers for each subject, and to look over assignments, marks, and attendance before signing up for a parent/teacher interview appointment.

If you have any issues logging in to your PowerSchool account, please contact Mr. Trevor MacNeill at [tdmacneill@cloud.edu.pe.ca](mailto:tdmacneill@cloud.edu.pe.ca)

## **Queen Charlotte Intermediate School On-line Parent/Teacher Interview Booking System.**

The booking system for appointment scheduling for parents will open on Monday, February 26 at 8:00 AM and remain open until what March 4 at 12:00 PM. You will be able to view the teacher's calendars and schedule appointments once you have "registered" and entered your student into the system.

Click the link below and it will take you to the website to book an appointment(s)  
<https://qc.parentteacherconferences.net>

If you need to find your student's teacher's name(s), you can do so on the school website, which is linked below to view all QC teachers.

<https://queencharlotteintermediate.wordpress.com/contact-us/>

## **REPORT CARDS**

Students will receive their report cards to take home on Tuesday, March 5

## **GRADE 9 COURSE SELECTION FOR HIGH SCHOOL (2024-25)**

Colonel Gray High School will be offering a parent presentation at Colonel Gray on Wednesday, February 28th at 7:00pm. (Storm date February 29th) This will be for parents of our current grade nine students about registering and choosing courses for high school next year. There will be a second presentation for students at Queen Charlotte on Wednesday, March 6th at 9:00am. Staff from Colonel Gray will be coming to discuss the course selection process with students. The deadline to return forms to the Homeroom teacher will be Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

## **ATHLETICS**

Intramurals will continue with Gr 7 on Day 2 & 5, Gr 8 on Day 1 & 4, and Gr 9 on Day 3 & 6. JUST DANCE is every Friday! There will be an Intramural Basketball Tournament on February 12th-15th run by Exploratory students. All students are encouraged to enter a team! More details to follow on announcements and PE bulletin board.

Wellness Club Group #2 will run until Feb 2nd, a new sign-up for group #3 will be posted in the PE hallway during the last week of January for all those students who haven't been a member yet. Group #3 will begin Monday Feb 5th and run until April 5th.

Extra-Curricular Sports: Best of luck to our 4 undefeated basketball teams as they continue the second half of their season! There will be a 'AA' Tournament hosted by EWS and QC on February 23rd-24th.

QC Wrestlers were very successful at both tournaments first in Windsor, Nova Scotia and last weekend in Fredericton, New Brunswick. Ronan Lannigan in 8I finished with a silver medal in NS and gold in NB in his weight category. Kayleigh Saunders in 7D finished with a gold medal in NS and silver in NB in her weight class, and Maddie Downie in 9D also finished with two gold medals in her weight class. Congratulations to all wrestlers on a job well done!

The Badminton Club will begin in March. All students are welcome to join this club, the school team will be chosen through a competitive tournament amongst players that are part of the club.

Lost and Found: Items are piling up down in the gym area! Any lost items, including those from the Gr 9 trip can be found in the lost and found bin in the PE hallway.

Skates & Helmets: If any students have borrowed skates or helmets for the Gr 9 trip, or for school skates, please return them to the PE area ASAP as they were borrowed from people outside the school.

## **LIBRARY**

There are a few very popular books/series that are always gratefully accepted as donations. If you have any of the following books/series at home that are no longer being read, please feel free to send them in!

- Diary of a Wimpy Kid series
- The Hunger Games series
- Twilight series
- Guinness World Record books (any year!)

## **STUDENT ABSENCES/APPOINTMENTS**

If your child is going to be late arriving at school or absent for the day, please email the school at [qcattendance@edu.pe.ca](mailto:qcattendance@edu.pe.ca) or call the school at (902) 368-6970. If you are unable to call or email, please send a note with your child when they return to school.

## **ON-LINE PAYMENTS**

Parents have the option to make on-line payments at: [queencharlotte1954@gmail.com](mailto:queencharlotte1954@gmail.com)

Please make sure the following information is included in the notes of the e-transfer:

- Student's full name – i.e. Jane Doe
- Student's homeroom class and grade – i.e. Mrs. Mutch grade 7 or 7B
- What the payment is for – i.e. \$30 student fee

If you have any questions, please email Trevor MacNeill at [tdmacneill@cloud.edu.pe.ca](mailto:tdmacneill@cloud.edu.pe.ca)

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **February**

- 15 Late French Immersion Meeting 6:00pm in the Cafeteria
- 12-16 Staff Appreciation Week
- 16 Winter Wellness Day (regular classes)
- 19 "Islander Day" holiday (no classes)
- 28 Pink Shirt Day
- 28 Colonel Gray Course Selection parent presentation, 7:00pm at Colonel Gray

### **March**

- 5 Report Cards sent home
- 6 Colonel Gray Course Selection presentation for grade 9 students, 9:00am
- 7 Parent-Teacher Interviews (6:00-8:30pm)
- 8 Parent-Teacher Interviews (8:30-12:00 noon - no classes all day)
- 18-21 Queen Charlotte School Spirit days
- 19 Colonel Gray Course Selection forms due back to QC
- 22 Mid-term break (no classes)
- 25 – 28 Mid-term break (no classes)
- 29 "Good Friday" Statutory Holiday (no classes)

### **April**

- 1 "Easter Monday" Statutory Holiday (no classes)
- 2 First day of classes after mid-term break