

The Queen Charlotte Intermediate Newsletter – June 2024

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COYOTE CONNECTIONS 2023-2024

On behalf of our entire Queen Charlotte Intermediate School Staff, we would like to thank all students, parents, guardians and families for an outstanding school year together. All our QC students had the opportunity to learn, build character, show their resiliency and respect, and focus on positive mental and physical wellbeing all year long. We wish all students, families and our entire QC learning community a terrific summer!

VOLUNTEERS – THANK YOU

We want to thank the many members within our school community who served as a volunteer this year. We appreciate all your efforts and all that you do for our students, staff, school and learning community.

QC CELEBRATING NATIONAL PRIDE MONTH

Pride Month is an annual event celebrated all across Canada, throughout the month of June and during the summer. Like all international Pride events, this month celebrates the 2SLGBTQI+ community and aims to promote equality and raise awareness of challenges faced by 2SLGBTQI+ individuals across the world. In the USA, Pride Month is celebrated in June. This is to commemorate the Stonewall Riots of June 1969 - a prominent turning point in 2SLGBTQI+ history which paved the way for the gay rights movement across the world.

Pride Month is celebrated in June in Canada and US, many other countries have their own dedicated Pride events throughout the year.

QC CELEBRATING NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH IN CANADA

June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada, an opportunity to learn about the unique cultures, traditions and experiences of First Nations, Inuit and Métis. It's a time to honour the stories, achievements and resilience of Indigenous Peoples, who have lived on this land since time immemorial and whose presence continues to impact the evolving Canada.

The House of Commons designated June as National Aboriginal History Month in 2009. The name was changed to National Indigenous History Month in 2017.

Each week throughout the month of June, specific aspects and themes of Indigenous history, cultures and perspectives will be highlighted, including traditional knowledge and territory, children and youth, languages, cultures and arts, women, girls and 2SLGBTQI+ people.

GRADE 9 CLOSING

All grade 9 students, along with their parents, families, and friends are invited to take part in our grade 9 closing ceremonies on Friday, June 21st at 9:15am and 11:00am. Classes 9B, 9D, 9E, 9F & 9H will take part in the first ceremony at 9:15am. Classes 9A, 9C, 9G & 9i will take part in the second ceremony at 11:00am.

We would like to thank all our grade 9 students, parents, and families for your continued support throughout the school year. We will send out an email with more details as the event gets closer.

GRADE 9 SEMI-FORMAL

Please join us on Tuesday, June 18th from 7-10pm at The Trailside Music Hall, 155 Kent Street. We will have a DJ, food, drinks and a photo booth. Tickets will be available at noon by the cafeteria doors on Friday, May 31st and Friday, June 7th. Tickets are \$25 CASH per person and students are permitted to bring a guest. Follow along on instagram @qcsemi2024 or on our facebook group QC Grade 9 Semi 2024. Feel free to reach out to Shannon at 902-213-5268 or shannon@weknowpei.com with any questions.

BAND CONCERT

Our QC grade 7, 8, & 9 concert bands and our jazz band will host our final concert of the year on Tuesday, June 4th beginning at 6:00 pm. This band concert will be held at UPEI Performing Arts Centre. We want to say a big thank you to Mr. MacInnis and all QC band students for all their time, effort, and work and wish them a successful evening of super sounds and wonderful music during the concerts.

GRADE 9 BAND TRIP

We are excited to share that our awesome Grade 9 concert band earned a Gold ranking at the Atlantic Festivals of Music in Halifax recently. Their exceptional performance impressed the judges, reflecting their hard work and dedication. This achievement highlights the Grade 9 concert band's talent and commitment to musical excellence. Congratulations to all Grade 9 Band students! We wanted to offer a big thanks to our Band Instructor Mr. MacInnis, and to our trip chaperones Mrs. Whitnell, Mrs. Giggey, and Mr. McQuaid for making the trip a huge success. We know it was a wonderful trip full of fond memories. Way to go Coyotes! Grade 9 Band Members include: Nicolas Park, Maryum Arif, Hannah Chen, Ali Dal, Julia Ghiz, Zoe Hamilton, Nicole Harrison, Julia Hurry, John Jiang, Phoebe LeClair, Anaclara Leyenaar, Phoenix Li, Laine Overy, Harper Peters, Nishta Rakhra, Gracie Ramsay, Mackenzie Singleton, Hannah Spence, Mason Su, Bernice Yun, Riondre Tingling, Bronwyn Trevor, Heloise Brugali, Lily MacEwen, Senali Siriwardane, Denver Smith, Sophie Webster, Tori Whitnell, Amy Yuan, Ella Wei, Wisdom Uviejitobor, Liam Bourque, Tim Ferguson, Jonah Nicholson, Charlotte Oatway, Georgie Wotherspoon, Ava Bradley, Chase Burns, Ba Minh Son Nguyen, Ronni Grace Martin, Lenny Russell, Eric MacPhail, Lamech Nduwimana, Emma Brine, Sebastian Connor, Tiernan Dewar, Porter Doiron, Haven Frid, Isaac Landry, Josh Lawlor, Julia MacAleer, Frances Manning, Shivalik Sharma, Lexie Singleton, Isaac Spears, Xander Vom Braucke, Emery Wood, Ethan Flood, Luke Ostridge, Lola Roberts, Jacob White, Kieran Holland, Jackson Saunders, and Lucas Walsh.

QC LIBRARY NOTES

The last day to borrow books from the school library is June 5. All books are due back no later than June 14. There may be a replacement fee for unreturned items. Please check at home for books that have a white label on the spine (will end with the number 321) and get them back ASAP!

The library is always grateful to accept donations of good condition, age-appropriate fiction books. If we can't use them in our collection, we can always find them a good home! We also happily accept donations of any hardcover Guinness World Record books from years past.

REPORT CARDS

Grade 9 students will receive their final report cards during their grade 9 closing. Grade 7 & 8 students will receive their report cards from homeroom teachers on June 25th at 2:50.

Report cards that have not been picked up at the designated times will be mailed out on June 28th and will no longer be available at the school. We are unable to accommodate requests to receive report cards prior to the scheduled times.

ATHLETICS - FLAG FOOTBALL

"A" Girls QC2 includes Jerzee Gallant, Daisy Li, Isla Richardson, Nia Marshall, Emma Ghiz, Ally Feehan, Eva Barenthein, Hannah Clow, Jesse Birt, and Sophia Graham. Coaches are Leanne Benoit, Stephanie Pemberton, and Jaidyn MacKinnon.

"A" Girls QC3 includes Gwen Mason, Callie Robinson, Charlotte O'Halloran, Lexie Singleton, Maryum Arif, Olivia Rowell, Paige Foley, Sienna Kilcup, Sophia Bell, Tessa Levy. Coaches are Buffy Macdougall Hambly and Jorja Hambly.

"AA" Girls include Elin Reardon, Cheyanne Howatt, Ashleigh Dunn, Frances Manning, Hallie Shaffner, Julia Ghiz, Julia MacAleer, Maeve Dickie, Phoebe LeCoure, Scarlett Shaffner, and Tori Whitnell. Coaches are Justin Dunn and Madi Pratt.

"A" Boys QC3 include Isaac Landry, Jacob Griffin, Jonah Nicholson, Kaleb MacEachern, Lucas Matheson, Matt Dupuis, Micah Forbes Currie, Rasheed Ibyeye, Simon Silvaggio, TJ Ferguson, William Pigott, and Maks Robinson. Coaches are Aaron Pigott and Jeremy MacEachern.

"AA" Boys QC2 include Cohen Godkin, Cruz Bevan, Felix Hatton, Jace Collins, Jonah Lawlor, Layne Cudmore, Levi Hickey, Miguel Cuma, Nate Bambrick, and Ronan Lannigan. Coaches are Sean Hickey, Fadi Mayeleh, and Henry Nguyen.

"AA" Boys QC1 include Arthur Knickle, Ashton Bradley, Cohen Dunn, David Knickle, Harry Nguyen, Hayden Curry, Jorman Ortiz, Lachlan Hillier, Nate Silvaggio, Tim Ferguson, Ty Nogler, and William Potter. Coaches are Riley McKenzie and Justin Dunn.

Best of luck to all teams as they enter playoffs in the first week of June. Provincials take place at the Summerside Turf on Tuesday June 11th.

SOFTBALL

Players include Faith Turner, Anna MacLeod, Ashlyn Bishop, Laura Bishop, Mya Kells, Julia Foote, Cassidy Munn, Addison Cusack, Ava Bradley, Schaeffer Vaive, Jesse MacDonald, Hayden Doyle, Eva Quist, Charlotte Oatway, and Chloe Livingstone. Coaches are Ty McAdam, Kailey Koughan, and Max Maund. Best of luck to all players in playoffs June 11th and Provincials on June 13th at Central Field.

TRACK & FIELD

Track and Field: PEISAA Zones took place on Tuesday May 21st. Queen Charlotte scored the most overall points of any school at the zone 3 event. Intermediate Girls, Intermediate Boys, and Bantam Boys finished 1st place in team rankings, and Bantam Girls finished 2nd.

Some notable performances at the zone meet include Frances Manning finishing 1st place in intermediate girls 100m, long jump, and triple jump. Elin Reardon finished 1st in bantam girls 150m and broke the 80m provincial record by .04 seconds. Jack Gordon finished 1st in bantam boys 150m, 80m. Jace Collins finished 1st in bantam boys shot put, while Jonah Mayme and Gage Boutillier finished right behind him in 2nd and 3rd. Jackson Saunders finished 1st in intermediate boy's long jump. Isaac Spears finished 1st in intermediate shot put and javelin. Denver Smith finished 1st in the intermediate boys 200m. Emma Brine finished 1st in intermediate girl's high jump. Multiple relay teams clenched 1st place including bantam girls 4x100, intermediate girls 4x100 and 4x400, and intermediate boys 4x100 and 4x400. More success to come at the Provincials on Friday May 31st and Saturday June 1st, best of luck to all athletes!

INTRAMURALS

Students are encouraged to spend lunch time outdoors for the month of June! The gym will be open for intramurals on rainy days for all grades, and Friday's will still be JUST DANCE at 12:25pm!

WELLNESS CLUB

Wellness club will continue for the month of June. If any students are interested in joining, please talk to Ms. Arsenault.

ATHLETIC AWARDS PRESENTATION: Friday, June 14th 11:05am -12:05pm in the Cafeteria. All student athletes are welcome to join for an awards presentation.

OUTSTANDING FEES/TEXTBOOKS

Students are reminded that in order to receive your report cards in June all outstanding fees and items owed to the school must be paid for and/or returned. Students are asked to pay all outstanding fees for lost textbooks, library books, student fees, band clothing, locks, athletic fees, athletic clothing, etc. We ask that all outstanding fees be paid in the office or by e-transfer (Queencharlotte1954@gmail.com) by Friday, June 14th.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Our Breakfast Program will finish for this school year on June 26th. Thank you to Kim Muise and Andrea Frew for organizing and keeping the food supplies replenished for the program.

SANDSPIT

Grade 7 & 8 students will travel to Sandspit on Tuesday, June 25th. Forms and payment are due to the homeroom teacher or paid by e-transfer on or before Friday, June 14th.

CAFETERIA SERVICES

The Generation Fresh cafeteria will complete food service for this school year on Thursday, June 20th. The PEI School Food Program (Provincial lunch pay what you can) will still be available until the last day for students, which is June 26th. Cafeteria supervision will be provided until the end of the school year for students who wish to bring their lunch.

2024-2025 NEXT SCHOOL YEAR'S GRADE 9 TRIP

This is a new option for parents of current Grade 8 students, so you can get an earlier start on making payments toward your child's Grade 9 trip to Ottawa and Quebec next school year. This trip is a wonderful opportunity for our QC students, and we would love all of them to have the opportunity to attend.

The 2025 School Trip Portal is now open for you to register your student(s). Please follow the link here and read through the information carefully prior to booking your student(s):

<https://targettours.wetravel.com/trips/2025-queen-charlotte-ottawa-and-quebec-city-target-tours-32102375>

Registration Information:

The Trip Itinerary as well as an instructional video on how to register, create your account and use the portal will be posted to the school website. For registration purposes as described below, the Buyer Name is the Parent/Guardian and the Participant is the student.

Buyer Information:

- Enter Parent/Guardian information and click the box to "Sign up to manage your booking". You will be prompted to create a password for your account so you can login in later and manage your booking, make payments (including the deposit), and create contribution pages for family or friends to contribute.
- Please ensure the email you create your account with is one that is monitored regularly.

Participant Information:

- The name and email address you enter under Buyer will auto-fill under the Participant Information. Please ensure you change the name of the Participant to the student name.
- Email address does not need to change.
- Mailing Address should include city, province and postal code
- Primary Phone Number should be the number for the parent/guardian responsible for the student.
- Emergency Contact should be a parent/guardian/person who would be able to travel to the student should an emergency arise while on their trip.
- Allergies and dietary restrictions should include any allergies to foods and medications.
 - *We share all food allergies and dietary restrictions with our suppliers serving food to ensure students have appropriate options to pick from.*

Payment Information:

A deposit of \$200 is required to hold your student's seat. You can choose to begin payments now, or in the fall if you would rather, and your child's seat will be held once we receive the first \$200 payment. The most you can expect to pay for this trip is \$1463, based on 110 students in 3 buses. If you choose to sign up now for this payment plan, then the first deposit payment of \$200 is due no later than June 15th and monthly instalments of \$200 will continue until November 15th. The final payment amount (December 15th) will be determined after October 15th once final numbers are confirmed. We accept e-transfers as well as all major credit cards (Visa, Mastercard and Amex).

This payment portal is set up for auto-billing so please be advised that if you use a credit card for the deposit, that card will be charged automatically on the dates indicated in the payment schedule, unless you change it manually or alert Target Tours prior to the payment date. Automated email reminders will be sent out for payment due dates, successful and/or failed payments, late notices as well as any additional information regarding your student's trip.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

A reminder to all parents/families for updating student attendance. If your child is going to be absent or late for school, please e-mail qcattendance@edu.pe.ca or call the school the day before or the morning of the absence. We want to ensure our PowerSchool attendance is updated and current. If your child is leaving during the school day for an appointment or is leaving with your permission, please e-mail qcattendance@edu.pe.ca or call the office before the student arrives at the office to sign out for the day. Once again, we are trying to ensure all absences are updated and are put under the correct code in PowerSchool. Our school office number is 902-368-6970. Thank you for your continued support.

YEARBOOK NEWS

The 2023-24 edition of the yearbook has arrived and was distributed on May 27th. Mr. Taggart, Mrs. Hann, and Mr. Hill, staff advisors, would like to congratulate and thank the committee for all their hard work. Committee members are: Keira Omar-McCallum, Joyeeta Roy, Luke Ostridge, Nicolas Park, Sydney MacDonald, Isabella Hill, Emma Toms, Juliette Martinez-Kydd, Valerie Man, Sophie Hennessey, Nishta Gokul, Eva MacDonald, Nicole Reynard, Anna Boyd, Hilary Tena & Ella White.

SCENT-FREE POLICY

At Queen Charlotte Intermediate we have a significant number of students and staff that are very sensitive to fragrance and other scented products. Students and visitors to our school are reminded of the Public Schools Branch Scent-Free Policy which prohibits scented products from being used at school. Thank you for respecting this policy by not wearing any scented products while at Queen Charlotte Intermediate.

DATES TO REMEMBER – JUNE

- 1 Track & Field Provincials (Saturday)
- 4 QC Band concert at UPEI 6:00pm
- 5 Last day to borrow library books
- 14 Final day to pay outstanding fees/return items
- 14 Library books due back
- 14 Sandspit permission form/payment due
- 14 Athletic awards ceremony
- 18 Grade 9 math assessment (am)
- 18 Grade 9 Semi-Formal Dance
- 20 Last day for Generation Fresh cafeteria services
- 21 Grade 9 closing ceremonies 9:15am & 11:00am
- 25 Grade 7 & 8 – Sandspit field trip
- 25 Grade 7 & 8 report cards issued (2:50)
- 26 Last day for Breakfast Program & PEI Provincial lunch program
- 26 Last instructional day for students