

## Queen Charlotte Intermediate Newsletter – May 2025

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### “QC 70 YEARS” CELEBRATION

We would like to welcome everyone to our open house on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for our QC 70 Years Celebration. There will be entertainment provided by former and current students and staff. The formal part of the celebration will take place from 4:30 – 5:30pm. Please see the Schedule below:

3:00	Doors open – All welcome!
3:00-4:15	School Tours
3:00-4:45	Decades Display & Slideshow
4:45	Formal Welcome & Introductions
5:00	Jonathan, Brian, & Friends
5:30	Ava & Lily (David) Rashed

### EASTER SEALS

Our annual fundraising efforts to support Easter Seals was in full swing again this year. Students and staff raised funds during the month of April to support our Easter Seals campaign. On April 23<sup>rd</sup> it was great to welcome this year’s PEI Easter Seals Ambassador, Remi Dean, to QC where we had the opportunity to listen to her positive message, “We can do hard things”. During the visit our QC student council co-presidents, Eva Barenthein and Elin Reardon presented Remi with a cheque on behalf of the school to support the PEI Easter Seals Tour 2025. Way to go Coyotes!

### INCOMING GRADE 7 STUDENT VISIT/INFORMATION SESSION

We look forward to welcoming and providing a school tour and information session for our incoming grade 7 students on Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Each feeder school will arrive together with their students and enter through the triple doors (in Simmons parking lot) and our QC staff will meet them upon arrival. All students will have an information session in our cafeteria, and a tour of our school with our grade 9 Leadership students. After the tour, students will meet back in the cafeteria to answer any questions before leaving to return to their own school. We will provide a peanut-free treat for each student before the end of the session. Please see times and schools listed below:

School	Date	Class/Group
Spring Park & West Kent	Friday, May 16	9:50 am - 10:40 am
West Royalty, St. Jean, Prince Street	Friday, May 16	11:10 am – 12:00 pm

### BAND TRIP TO HALIFAX

We would like to wish our grade 9 Band students and Mr. MacInnis an awesome trip full of terrific music, good times, and great tunes as they are off to Halifax to perform in the Atlantic Festivals of Music on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to Allison Giggey, Steve McQuaid, Lindsay Emenau, and Mr. White for going as chaperones. Watch the band live on Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00am on the Set on Stage:

<https://www.atlanticfestivals.com/live>

### ATHLETICS

#### Badminton Season Recap

The QC Badminton Team had an awesome showing at provincials on Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup>. The Intermediate Boys took home the provincial championship banner, with Venkat Kolloju placing 1st in singles and Venkat & Aidan Smith placing 1st in doubles. The Intermediate Girls were just shy of taking home the banner with Samhita Dhanesekar placing 1st in singles and Samhita and Veronica Li placing 3rd in doubles. For Bantam Girls, Sophia Pan came 2nd in singles and Sophia & Sunny Zhu came 2nd in doubles.

**Flag Football Tryouts** are underway. Teams will be made in the last week of April and games will begin the week of May 5<sup>th</sup>. AA Games are usually Mondays (exception on the week of the holiday May 19<sup>th</sup>), AG on Tuesdays, and AB on Thursdays. Flag Football Provincials will take place at the Summerside Turf on June 10<sup>th</sup> with playoffs happening the week prior.

**Softball Tryouts** began during the final week of April. Students must choose between Flag Football and Softball. PEISAA Softball Provincials are June 12<sup>th</sup> with playoffs happening the week prior.

**Track and Field Tryouts** began Tuesday April 29<sup>th</sup>/Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>. Practices will be every Tuesday and Thursday until Zones on Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at UPEI. Special Olympics athletes from QC will also be attending Zones on this date. The Provincials for those students who qualify are May 30<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> (Friday evening after school and Saturday morning/afternoon).

### **STUDENT VOTE – ELECTION RESULTS**

Our Queen Charlotte Intermediate School Student Vote 2025 was a success, with 591 ballots cast. This was a great opportunity for the students to get involved and learn more about the Canadian electoral process. Special thanks to Alexandra Wolfe, Klody Mazzerole, Jack Gordon, Eden Rashed, Elin Reardon, and Eva Barenthein for helping run the vote. The overall results, which were updated on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, are as follows:

#### *Queen Charlotte Totals*

NDP - 50 (8.5%), Liberal - 297 (50.3%), Green - 40 (6.8%), Conservative - 178 (30.1), People's - 26 (4.4%)

### **HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING**

Our next QC Home & School meeting will take place on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm in our school cafeteria. If you have any items to put forward for the agenda, please send them to our QC H & S Committee chair, Heather Mullen at [mullenpei@gmail.com](mailto:mullenpei@gmail.com)

### **OUTSTANDING FEES/TEXTBOOKS**

Students are reminded that in order to receive your report card in June all outstanding fees must be paid. Students are asked to please pay all outstanding fees for lost textbooks, library books, student fees, athletic fees, etc. Students are also reminded that items such as athletic jerseys, etc. must be returned prior to receiving your report card in June.

### **2025-2026 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 2026 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://tinyurl.com/TargetToursGrade9Trip>

#### **Registration Information:**

The Trip Itinerary as well as an instructional video on how to register, create your account and use the portal can be found in the link above. For registration purposes, the *Buyer Name* is the Parent/Guardian and the *Participant* is the student.

#### **Payment Information:**

Bookings will open in May 2025 with 184 spaces. An **initial deposit of \$100 will be required to hold a seat**. Once the booking is completed, you can manage your booking through WeTravel and can make additional payments at any time. You can book and pay online by Credit Card. To book and pay by e-Transfer please call the Target Tours office at 1-877-214-5367. Any existing reservations missing a deposit will be considered incomplete and a seat will not be saved.

### **QC - Attendance and Engagement in Learning - Everyday Counts**

Queen Charlotte Intermediate, along with all schools across PEI continue to focus on the importance of regular school attendance. Being present and on time every school day ensures that students have the best opportunity to engage fully in their learning and stay connected with their classmates, peers, and teachers. Over the past number of months more than 80% of students missed fewer than 10% of school days, however, most recently the percentage has increased to 15% who have missed 10 or more school days. Let's continue working together to help reinforce the value of consistent attendance every day.

### **STUDENT ATTENDANCE REPORTING**

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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**May**

- 2 Professional Development Day (no classes)
- 5-9 QC School Spirit week – Theme days
- 8 Grade 7 band students travel to Summerside for Beginner Band days
- 9 QC 70 Years Celebration
- 16 Incoming grade 7 student orientation
- 19 Victoria Day (no classes)
- 21 Home & School meeting, 6:00pm in the Cafeteria

**June**

- 3 Grade 7, 8, & 9 Band Concert at UPEI Performing Arts Centre
- 18 Grade 9 math assessment
- 19 Grade 9 semi-formal dance
- 23 Grade 9 closing ceremonies 9:15 am & 11:00 am in the Gymnasium
- 24 Grade 7 & 8 students to Sandspit
- 26 Last day for students