



June 3, 2021

Quinson Elementary School

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Principal: Andrew Bond

Vice-Principal: Kristy Greenfield

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's been quite a year! Despite the unpredictable nature of COVID, our school has continued to move forward and a huge thanks needs to go to the entire Quinson Community. Staff have worked tirelessly to meet COVID protocols while continuing to support students in all aspects of their learning. We would also like to thank our parent community for being so understanding of the changes that needed to occur this year to help make our school safe. It will be nice when we can open our doors again and welcome everyone in our building. Fingers crossed this happens in September!!

We also want to recognize Mrs. P. Repstock for all her work and service at Quinson and School District 57. Mrs. Repstock recently retired and will be greatly missed. We hope that she thinks of us now and then as she relaxes and gets to enjoy slow mornings.

As we approach the end of the year, there will be a number of school events happening throughout the school. Classroom teachers are planning "fun days" in their learning groups, we will be having a year-end assembly via zoom, and there are field trips planned in a number of classes. Please look for and sign field trip forms as they come home. It makes planning and organizing things much easier when we get permission slips back right away. On that note, Quinson staff would like to thank PAC for all their help in supporting our field trips. PAC has generously funded most of our bussing this year and many of these activities would not occur without their support. We also need to note our appreciation for the recent purchases PAC has funded for our school. Our new volleyball nets should be here in the summer, as well as sets of robot coding equipment. It will be exciting to use the new resources/equipment next school year!

Year end CSL's reports (Communicating Student Learning) will be sent home on the last day of school (June 25). Please take the time to read the report and contact the school if you have any questions. The CSL will also have a school message outlining bell times and start dates for September.

Mr. A. Bond
Principal

Mrs. K. Greenfield
Vice Principal

Miss C. Hall
Secretary

Important Dates

June 4 – Pro D Day – (no school)

June 14 – PAC Meeting via zoom
<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/69062277644?pwd=b0JSU3J5ZUZUQVdpZ2oxRWx6YTlrdz09>

Meeting ID: 690 6227 7644

Passcode: 763780

June 8 – Intermediate Report Writing Day

June 11 – Primary Report Writing Day

June 21 – Sports/Fun Day

June 25 – Last Day of School

June 29 – August 30 – Closed for Summer

September 7- First Day Back for Students





Our school community would like to honour and remember all the lives lost in the Kamloops Residential School. Our thoughts are with the **Tk'emlúps te Secwépmc** families and community.

Traffic Safety

As the weather warms up and we enter the leisurely months of summer, pedestrians are out and about our neighbourhoods. Please exercise extra awareness when you are driving through our neighborhood streets. Decreasing your speed allows for increased safety of everyone. There is sure to be a lot of children on bikes, skateboards etc. and we want to ensure that everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer.

Parking Lot Safety

Just a reminder to students and parents that the parking lot is **off limits** to parents and students at all times. Please refrain from dropping off/picking up your child in the parking lot. The side streets are a much safer option. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Summer Closure

We would like to remind everyone that our school will be closed for the summer starting Tuesday, June 29th and will reopen on Monday, August 30th. Should you require assistance during this time, please feel free to contact the School District No.57 board office at 250-561-6800.

Quinson is a PEANUT & SESAME AWARE School

Please be sure to NOT send any sesame, peanut or tree nut products as we have students and staff with an airborne anaphylactic allergy which is life threatening. We need to work together to keep our children and staff safe!



Quinson Elementary Bell Schedule: 2021/2022

8:20 AM	Outside Supervision Begins
8:35 AM	Warning Bell rings – students line up
8:40 AM	Instruction Begins
2:32 PM	Dismissal
2:50 PM	Outside Supervision Ends

Attendance and Appointments

Please remember to contact the school or your child's teacher with planned absences, appointments and early pick-ups. You can do this by phone, or by direct e-mail to the classroom teacher and Ms. Hall. This will save us and you the time it takes to get your child ready and may reduce your child's anxiety about not knowing when you are arriving.

If your child will be absent or late, please call the school at (250) 562-1161. This helps the school ensure the safety of all our students. If your child does not arrive at school and we have not been informed of an absence, we will call home to ensure the child is safe.



If children become sick at school, they are to inform their teacher, who will inform the office. If it is advisable for the child to be sent home, the parents (or emergency contact) will be phoned so a pickup can be arranged. Please continue to complete the daily health checks (form can be found on our website), and keep your child home if they show any cold/flu symptoms. We appreciate your cooperation with this as it is essential in keeping our school safe and healthy. If your child has a fever or any symptoms on the health form, it is advised to seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 1-844-645-7811, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, your child should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your child's symptoms have improved.

Quinson Library

Mrs. Emsley has been working hard to get our library prepped for year end. A HUGE part of this includes making sure that all of our library books have been returned. We would like to ask all students to have a good look around at home and in their desks for any outstanding books that they may have. We need to have them all returned ASAP.



Thank you in advance for your efforts.

Diversified Bussing

Parents wishing their children to use the bus service as a courtesy to/from a childcare provider, alternate family residence (guardian), and for other purposes within the catchment area of the student's school must apply annually for the service.

Courtesy riders will be accommodated as determined by the Transportation Administrator if there is space available; done at no additional cost; no scheduling or routing adjustment have to be made as outlined in Policy 3541.



Parent Advisory Council

Quinson has an active PAC and we are always looking for involvement from parents/guardians. We encourage anyone interested to join us for monthly meetings and more!



The next PAC Meeting will be Monday, June 14th via Zoom at 6:30pm. (Meeting ID: 690 6227 7644, Passcode: 763780)

Jumpstart Play from Home: Active Together After School

We're excited to announce the launch of our first-ever Jumpstart Play from Home: Active Together After School! In partnership with Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital, this FREE, online after-school program will feature 8 sessions to keep kids active and engaged at home. Over 4 weeks, kids will have fun, try new things, and learn about keeping our minds and bodies healthy along the way.

How does it work? We'll share activities every Monday and Wednesday at 12:00 pm ET. Simply tune in after-school, and your kids can follow along. Kids will need a device and internet to participate (and maybe a few simple things from around the house).

Registration Deadline: Thursday, June 3rd, 2021

Program Dates:

Week 1: Monday, June 7th and Wednesday, June 9th

Week 2: Monday, June 14th and Wednesday, June 16th

Week 3: Monday, June 21st and Wednesday, June 23rd

Week 4: Monday, June 28th and Wednesday, June 30th



Community Schools Corner

Hi everybody. I can't believe that we are just a few weeks away from the end of the school year. It went by so fast! Our last batch of after school programs are ending on the following dates:

Our Gardening Club on Mondays is ending on June 14. Students had lots of fun and I hope that we will be able to do it again next year.

Our running Club on Tuesdays ended on June 1. We ended the group with a Basketball game including the staff and then finished with ice cream. It was lots of fun.

Our Photography Club on Wednesdays is ending on June 9. It is great to see the variety of photos students are taking. I sure hope that we will be able to run this program again next year.

Our Ultimate Frisbee program on Thursdays is ending on June 17. It is great to see skill levels improve. I am looking forward to doing it again next year.

Our Computer Coding program on Fridays is ending on June 18. Students are really enjoying this program and I look forward to doing it next year.

If there are any questions, please see Mr. Eberle!!