

May 10, 2024

Dear QM Families:

\*Note: A PDF copy of this message that includes photos, and an archive of previous weekly messages, can be found on our school website. <https://www.sd44.ca/school/queenmary/About/Principal/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

May and June are filled with celebrations and fun at QM! We are looking forward to the many school-wide and classroom-based field trips and events. Keep your eye on the calendar for all that is happening at QM in the coming weeks!

### **Today's Spirit Day**

Staff and students enjoyed Decade Day today, dressing up in clothing from a decade of their choice! Thanks to the Leadership Club for continuing to plan our school events.



### **QM Environmental Stewardship Project**

With the assistance of grant money and funds from the PAC we have embarked on a stewardship project to revitalize the grounds of our schoolyard. This week several students participated in pulling out weeds and planting new flowers, shrubs, and grasses in the two large planters at the front of the school. Enjoy our newly revitalized gardens – please look but don't touch or pick the flowers!



### **iTime Projects**

The halls were busy this week as we hosted the first of several upcoming celebrations of students' i-Time projects. In the coming weeks many of the Intermediate classes will be inviting parents/guardians and other classes to view their work and presentations. The i-Time project celebrations are a culmination of many weeks of work, during which time the students researched an area/topic of interest and then created a visual and interactive multi-media presentation to showcase their learning. These i-Time projects are an excellent way to prepare our students for their Grade 7 IB PYP Exhibition.

**The QM Grade 7 IB PYP Exhibition** is taking place next week! All families are invited to come to the school on the evening of Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> to see the Grade 7 students' projects that they have been working on for several weeks. As a required component of the IB PYP, the Exhibition project provides students with the opportunity to apply their thinking, research, collaboration, time-management, and organization skills, as well as their knowledge and creativity, to inquire into a topic or issue of interest. The IB PYP Exhibition is a celebration of the work done and an opportunity for students to present their learning.

We invite you all to join us in the gym on May 16<sup>th</sup> – drop in between 5:30 and 8:00 p.m. to see the end result of all their hard work and to provide them with an audience for the sharing of their learning!

See attached invitation:

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### **Track and Field**

The Eagles are flying! Shoutout to our track participants who represented QM very well in both performance and school spirit in our fun mini meet on Tuesday at Sutherland Secondary School.

Zone Qualifications take place next week. Athletes will find out on Monday which events they will be eligible to compete in. Please see the schedule below.

Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Sutherland Secondary School for all Track athletes

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Westview Elementary School for Grade 4/5 Field athletes

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. at Capilano Elementary School for Grade 6/7 Field athletes

PLEASE BE REMINDED:

For all school organized events, even if taking place after school, parents/guardians driving ANY children other than their own must have **first completed a Criminal Record Check with the NVSD** and also submitted a **NVSD Volunteer Driver form and Driver's Abstract** to the school office. This is a NVSD requirement to protect both the driver and the students.

### **Planning for 2024-25 School Year**

Reminder: Input for class placements is due to Principal Jennifer Wilson (via email) by the end of MAY! As shared in last week's message, please read the attached letter before sending in any requests. This letter can also be found under the **Principal's Messages** section of our school website.

### **Next Week at Queen Mary:**

#### **Monday May 13**

-iTime Celebration – Div 9 & "Channel 309"

#### **Tuesday May 14**

-iTime Celebration – Div 10 & 11

#### **Wednesday May 15**

-iTime Celebration – Div 12

- IB Exhibition begins

- Track Qualification Meet at Southerland Secondary School 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

#### **Thursday May 16**

- Moose Hide Campaign Day - Link here to learn more: [moosehidecampaign.ca/campaignday/](http://moosehidecampaign.ca/campaignday/)

-iTime Celebration – Div 3 & 5

-Field Qualification Meets: Gr 4&5 at Westview Elementary School; Gr 6 & 7 at Capilano Elementary School both from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

-IB Exhibition – Families/Guests invited 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Friday May 17**

-IB Exhibition concludes

-iTime Celebration

**Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>** - Victoria Day (statutory holiday- schools are closed)

***For other UPCOMING EVENTS and DATES of NOTE, please check the LIVE calendar on the main page of our school website. A paper copy of the May events calendar was sent home earlier this week.***

[Home - Queen Mary Community Elementary \(sd44.ca\)](http://Home - Queen Mary Community Elementary (sd44.ca))

### **QM Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

Visit the Queen Mary PAC Facebook Page to stay informed, and to learn about ways to connect with and get involved in the school community. You can contact members of the PAC Executive members through Facebook or Email: [queenmarypac@gmail.com](mailto:queenmarypac@gmail.com)

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**Fun Lunch:** Orders must be placed using Munchalunch (online) by Saturday (by 11:59 p.m.), for the following week's Fun Lunch. If you have any questions about Fun Lunch food orders, please contact the PAC. Fun Lunch Order Munchalunch Login: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/QueenMary/>

THANK YOU to all who have volunteered this year to organize the lunch orders and get them into classrooms! To sign up to help with Fun Lunch, please go to: <https://signup.com/go/UuBuXCD>

For all those in the role of Mother – enjoy your special weekend!!

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