

Dear Queen Mary Families;

Oct 30, 2025

Weekly Message from the QM Admin Team

***Our OCTOBER NEWSLETTER has been*** posted to our school website (see the “quick link” on the main page for easy access).

### **IMPORTANT QM INFORMATION**

We are sending this message out today to be able to remind everyone that tomorrow, **FRIDAY OCT. 31st is Hallowe'en!** Students can wear costumes to school, however, please make sure they are school-appropriate and reflective of expectations outlined in school codes of conduct. Keep any replica weapons associated with costumes at home. Masks/face coverings are not allowed, for safety reasons – please opt for face paints instead.

Parents/guardians are invited to watch the **Primary Students' Halloween Parade** that will start at approximately 9:10 a.m. This will take place outside, around the school, weather permitting.

**PLEASE help keep our school community safe on Friday evening!** Report any fireworks being let off on our school property, or suspicious activity seen on our school grounds (potential for vandalism) to the RCMP by calling the non-emergency line: 604-985-1311.

### **Student Goal Setting Conferences**

Students will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> for our annual fall goal-setting learning conferences. A paper sign-up notice was sent home with students earlier this week. If you did not receive one, or have not yet requested a conference time, please email your classroom by tomorrow. This year these meetings will be student-led with the teacher present to consult. Being student-led, a few families may be scheduled to be in the room at the same time, providing families with greater flexibility relating to timing and duration of the conference. Parents are reminded that a private meeting with a teacher to discuss learning progress can be requested at any time during the school year.

### **QM PAC Contact Information:**

- [QM PAC Facebook Page](#) and the email ([queenmarypac@gmail.com](mailto:queenmarypac@gmail.com)). Connect to learn about the many volunteer opportunities available throughout the year!

### **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM - Saplings Outdoor After-School Program**

The program will take place off-site, with Saplings staff picking children up from Queen Mary at dismissal each day and accompanying them to local outdoor areas.

**Registration for the January 2026 program is open.** Registration confirmations will be emailed out by November 10, 2025. To learn more or to register, please visit: <https://www.saplingsoutdoorprogram.ca/queen-mary-asc>

*\*Please note that Queen Mary school and the QM PAC are not affiliated with or responsible for this program. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Saplings directly.*

## **Queen Mary Sun Run team for 2026: Special early early bird pricing ends tomorrow!**

**To register**, go to the Sun Run Website – Youth Team Challenge - then “Join a Team”. [Sunrype Youth Team Challenge - Vancouver Sun Run](#)

Our team code is: **WXUFBC**

Our team name is: **Queen Mary Eagles**

Use this link below to register and select your distance in the “Youth Team Challenge”: <https://event.vansunrun.com/172858/register>

### **Next Week's School Events**

#### **Monday, November 3**

- Boys Gr 6/7 Basketball NVSD Tournament @ Mountainside 4:30 start

#### **Tuesday, November 4 – 2:00 p.m. dismissal for student learning conferences**

- Girls Gr 6/7 Basketball NVSD Tournament @ Mountainside 3:45 start

#### **Wednesday, November 5**

- Vancouver Warriors Lacrosse in PE classes (gr. 2-7)
- Lights Up Theatre after-school program for registered students

#### **Thursday, November 6– 2:00 p.m. dismissal for student learning conferences**

- Vancouver Warriors Lacrosse in PE classes (gr. 2-7)
- **FUN LUNCH Day!**
  - Use [Munchalunch \(online\)](#) to place orders. Order by Saturday (by 11:59 p.m.) for the following week. Questions? Contact: [queemnarypac@gmail.com](mailto:queemnarypac@gmail.com)
  - *Fun Lunch donations welcomed* - select the option to donate at the bottom of the order form.
  - Interested in volunteering to help distribute these lunches? Sign up using this link: <https://signup.com/go/LdqeYMJ>
- Red Fox after-school program for registered students

#### **Friday, November 7**

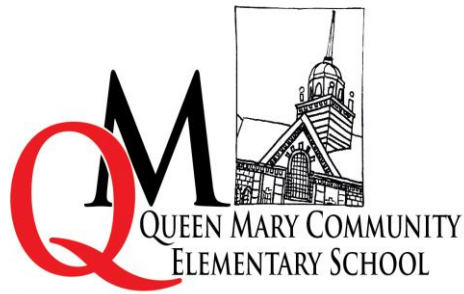
- Remembrance Day & National Indigenous Veteran's Day Assembly 11:00 a.m. (parents/guardians welcomed)
- Students who are members of Sparks, Embers, Guides, Pathfinders, Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, or Cadets are welcome to wear their uniforms to school and can be part of our “Honour Guard” parade (if they wish) at the beginning of the assembly.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Monday November 10<sup>th</sup> is a Professional Day for Queen Mary** – students do not attend school on this day.

**Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Remembrance Day** – ALL schools will be closed (Statutory Holiday)

All upcoming school events can be found on our LIVE CALENDAR on the main page of our website.



Enjoy a fun, safe Halloween! And remember to TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK an hour on Saturday night!

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