



## ***Queensbury News, Friday, November 14, 2025***

Dear Queensbury Families,

As our days grow colder, we find ourselves planning for the upcoming winter weather. We would like to remind everyone that we still go outside for recess and lunch during colder weather. Please remind your children to dress appropriately for the weather. The school district has plans in place in the event of severe winter weather. Please visit the [NVSD Winter Weather parent information page](#) for details about the school district's plans.

**Communicating Student Learning:** Every year, classroom teachers provide two Learning Updates (report cards) and a final Summary of Learning that will be published at the end of June. For more information on reporting and assessments, please visit the North Vancouver School District's [Communicating Student Learning web page](#) for parents. Our first Learning Update will be published after school on Friday, December 12, 2025.

**Poppies:** A heartfelt thank you goes out to Ms. Grantham for her donation of time, skill, and materials to create beautiful poppies year after year. All proceeds from the sale of the poppies goes to support our veterans through the poppy fundraising campaign. We would also like to extend

our deepest gratitude to all of our families who have supported this wonderful initiative. There are still some poppies available for sale. Please contact this office if interested.

**HOWLS:** We want to give a big **THANK YOU** to all the students who have been recognized for **doing amazing things at school!** Our HOWLS board was recently filled, and we're excited to announce that a special reward is on the way. Students are already working hard to fill the board for a second time—keep up the great work! Way to go, everyone! Families how

**Grade 7 Fundraiser:** Our Grade 7 students are excited to offer families the opportunity to purchase a variety of delicious food items through the Neufeld Grade 7 Fundraiser! We encourage you to click the link below and do some shopping—every order helps support Grade 7 activities. **All orders are due by December 1 (end of day).**

Thank you for supporting **Queensbury Elementary Grade 7 Fundraiser!**

[Queensbury Elementary Grade 7 Fundraiser](#)

Yours truly,

Doug Beveridge & Justin Wong

Principal & Vice Principal



1 - Ms. Grantham's poppies



2 - Hallway art



3 - Hallway art



4 - A wall full of HOWLS

## ***Project Backpack***

We are continuing to collect items for Project Backpack. Students in division 2 have provided classes with boxes to drop off items. All items should be **new and/or in a sealed package**.

### **Collection Details:**

- **Dates:** Monday, November 24 – Friday, December 12
- **Goal:** Fill 35 backpacks with essential items
- **Process:** Each division has been assigned a specific category of items to collect. All items should be **new and/or in their original packaging**.

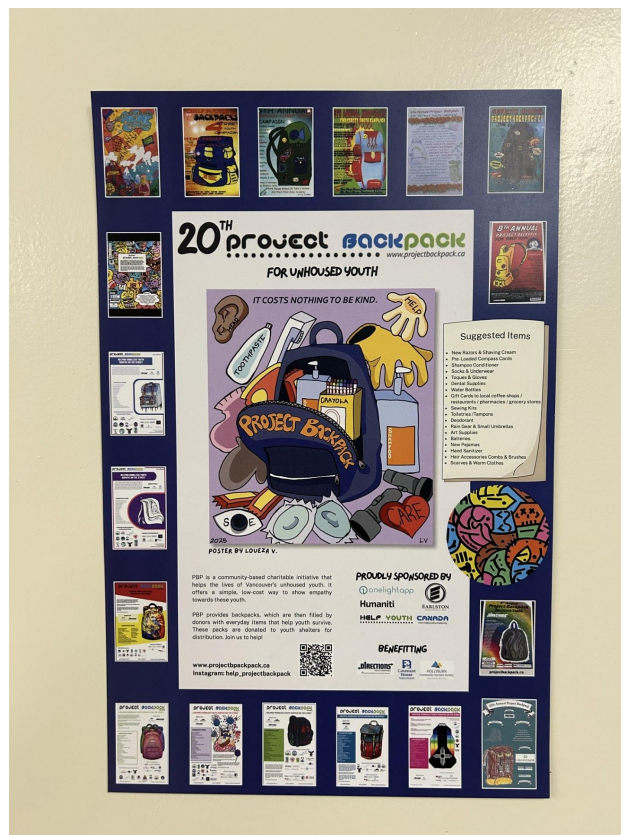
On **Monday, December 15**, the Grade 6/7 students will assemble the backpacks. We greatly appreciate any support families can provide!

### **Division Item List (New and in Original Packaging):**

- **Division 1:** Shaving cream, razors, body wash
- **Division 2:** Non-perishable snacks (packaged foods)
- **Division 3:** Band-Aids, first aid supplies
- **Division 4:** Shampoo, conditioner
- **Division 5:** Art supplies (pens, pencils, markers, sketchbooks, notepads), games



- **Division 6:** Socks, hand warmers
- **Division 7:** Moisturizers (hand lotion, lip balm), sunscreen
- **Division 8:** Hair products (combs, brushes, hair accessories)
- **Division 9:** Toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss
- **Division 10:** Toques/hats
- **Division 11:** Soap, body wash
- **Division 12:** Scarves, gloves, mittens
- **Division 13:** Non-perishable snacks (packaged foods)
- **Division 14:** Deodorant, feminine hygiene products



#### **Additional Items for Donation (Drop off at the Front Office):**

- Pre-loaded Compass Cards or gift cards (London Drugs, Superstore, No Frills) – please label the dollar amount
- Travel mugs or reusable water bottles

- New sweaters or pajamas
- Rain gear or umbrellas
- Towels or blankets
- Sketchbooks or notepads
- Sewing kits

**Thank you for your support! And thank you to the students in Division 2 and Ms. Owens for leading this important work.**

### ***Primary Winter Concert Details***

During the week of **December 8**, our primary classes will be practicing for the Winter Concert. A **closed dress rehearsal** will take place on **Wednesday, December 10** in the afternoon.

On **Thursday, December 11**, primary classes will perform for the rest of the school during the afternoon. **Please note:** Due to gym capacity limitations, families cannot attend the afternoon performance.

Our **Primary Winter Concert** for families will be held on **Thursday, December 11 at 6:30 PM**. All primary classes (Kindergarten to Grade 3) will participate.

We will have more more details about drop off and when we will open our doors in an upcoming newsletter.

We anticipate a very full gym, so we kindly ask families to **limit the number of audience members** (parents or guardians) as seating is limited.

Thank you for your understanding and support—we look forward to seeing you at the evening show!

### ***Division 1 Field Trip***

Division 1 enjoyed a day at Cates Park learning about tides. The class took public transit to the park where they measured tidal movements and observed the variety of things that rely on tides. The class was able to relate how gravity from both the sun and the moon impact tides as well as their position on earth relative to tidal bulges. Great work division 1 on fostering an authentic outdoor learning environment.



## Remembrance Day Assesmbly

Our school community came together today for a thoughtful and respectful Remembrance Day assembly. We are grateful to the many classes and students who contributed meaningful readings, music, and artwork to honour this important day. A heartfelt thank you to Ms. Walter, Ms. Sergeant, and all staff for organizing such a wonderful event, and a special thank-you to our guest, Derrick Fry, for sharing his time and reflections with us.



*5 - Remembrance Day Wreaths made by each Division*



6 - Ms Walter and Mr Fry







*7 - Student Presenters*

## ***Student Council***

We are excited to share that our school is launching a **Student Council** for the 2025–2026 school year! The Student Council is an opportunity for students in **Grades 4–7** to develop leadership skills, share their ideas, and help make our school an even more welcoming and vibrant community.

Unlike traditional student councils, ours is **open to any interested student**—no elections required. Students who join will have the chance to:

- Contribute ideas to improve school life
- Help plan special events and spirit activities
- Participate in community and service projects
- Learn teamwork, responsibility, and communication skills

If your child is interested in participating, please have them complete the **Student Council Application Form** and return it to the main office by Monday, December 1st. The **Student Council Application Form** can be found on our school website. The form includes a short section for parent/guardian consent.

We are excited to give students a meaningful voice at school and look forward to working with our young leaders throughout the year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

## ***Info for Families***

Families may be interested in the following links:

[\*\*Parents and Caregivers - HealthyMindsBC\*\*](#): providing prevention and early intervention strategies for supporting child and youth mental health.

An interesting resource from B.C. Children's Hospital has come to our attention. Parents, educators and teens may be interested in visiting the [\*\*Rolling with ADHD web site\*\*](#) for information about supporting students with ADHD.

## ***Calendar***

Monday, November 24 – Ukelele Club for gr. 1-3 – Music Portable (12:00 – 12:30)

Tuesday, November 25 – Beginning Band in the music portable (10:40 – 11:20 am)

Tuesday, November 25 – Continuing Band in the music portable (11:20 am – 12:00 pm)

Tuesday, November 25 – Crochet Club – Intermediates – Ms. Grantham's Room (12:00 – 12:30 pm)

*Tuesday, November 25 – PAC After School Program: 3D Basketball – Gym 2:50 pm*

*Tuesday, November 25 – PAC Virtual Meeting 7:00 pm*

Wednesday, November 26 – Wednesday, November 26 – West Van Field hockey program – in Gym (Schedule TBD)

Wednesday, November 26 – Crochet Club – Primaries – Ms. Grantham's Room (12:00 - 12:30 pm)

Wednesday, November 26 – Ukelele Club Gr 1-3 – Music Portable (12:00 - 12:30 pm)

*Wednesday, November 26 – PAC After School Program: Lights up Drama– Music Portable 2:50 pm*

*Thursday, November 27 – PAC Lunch: Sushi Katsu*

*Thursday, November 27 – PAC After School Program: Farsi Lessons in Mr. Wong's Room #209 (2:50-4:50 pm)*

Friday, November 28 – Beginning Band in the music portable (8:00 – 8:40 am)

Friday, November 28 – Continuing Band in the music portable (8:40 – 9:20 am)

*Friday, November 28 – PAC Lunch Time Program: Chess Club – Gym (12:00 pm)*

Monday, December 1 – Ukelele Club for gr. 1-3 – Music Portable (12:00 – 12:30)

Tuesday, December 2 – Beginning Band in the music portable (10:40 – 11:20 am)

Tuesday, December 2 – Continuing Band in the music portable (11:20 am – 12:00 pm)

Tuesday, December 2 – Crochet Club – Intermediates – Ms. Grantham's Room (12:00 – 12:30 pm)

*Tuesday, December 2 – PAC Lunch: Local Lift Juice Bar*

*Tuesday, December 2 – PAC After School Program: 3D Basketball – Gym 2:50 pm*

Wednesday, December 3 – Crochet Club – Primaries – Ms. Grantham's Room (12:00 - 12:30 pm)

Wednesday, December 3 – Ukelele Club Gr 1-3 – Music Portable (12:00 - 12:30 pm)

*Wednesday, December 3 – PAC After School Program: Lights up Drama– Music Portable 2:50 pm*

*Thursday, December 4 – PAC Lunch: Subway*

*Thursday, December 4 – PAC After School Program: Farsi Lessons in Mr. Wong's Room #209 (2:50-4:50 pm)*

Friday, December 5 – Curriculum Implementation Day: **School Closed**