

Administration Report - Queensbury PAC Meeting

May 18, 2021

Presented by: Kelly La Roue and Carly Roy

New information items:

Reminders from last PAC meeting:

2023-2024 BELL SCHEDULE / CALENDAR / SCHOOL FEES

BELL SCHEDULE 2023-2024 and Calendar

There will be a slight change to our bell schedule for the 2023-2024 school year. As per Ministry requirements, our day will now reflect 294 minutes versus 297 from this year. A copy of the new bell schedule and approved calendar with District / School based Pro-Days and early dismissal days will be sent home to families at the end of May.

APPROVED CALENDAR 2023-2024

The calendar for next year is available through the following link: District Calendar 2023-2024

There will be 4 Collaboration days (2PM dismissal) and 6 early dismissals (2PM) assigned to accommodate parent/teacher/student conferences. Additionally, our school based professional days (school not in session) have been established as Wednesday, November 1, 2023, and Thursday, June 27, 2024. A table calendar will be posted to our website and emailed home at the end of May.

SCHOOL FEES 2023-2024

There are no increases to fees for the 2023-2024 school year.

In accordance with the School Act and with School Board Fees Ministerial Order, we would like to advise all Queensbury families of the school fees that will be charged for the 2023– 2024 school year. A fee may be charged to recover some, or all of the costs related to enriched or additional learning opportunities. In all cases, fees are kept to a minimum. The Board may charge a fee at cost for: transportation, entrance fees and equipment rental associated with field trips or special events. Last year an “administration fee” for cash on-line and the use of credit cards was implemented. This fee has been included in the costs below.

School Supplies – we do the shopping for you!! By buying in bulk, we are able to trim costs, get exactly what each teacher needs, and reduce waste. We can provide an individual supply list for you if you'd prefer to shop on your own. Please let us know by June 1, 2023 if you would like your own list.

The fees for the 2023 – 2024 school year at Queensbury are as follows:

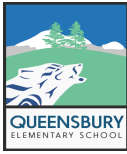
Grade Level	Consumable School Supplies	Student Planners	Enrichment Learning Activities (gymnastics, tennis, fine arts)	Field Trip Fees	Total Fee by Grade
K	\$52.25	N/A	\$20.90	Field Trip fees vary by trip and are determined at the time of planning.	73.15
1	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
2	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
3	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
4	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
5	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
6	\$52.25	\$8.40	\$20.90		\$81.55
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CLASSROOM PLACEMENT REQUESTS

At this time, parents are invited to email the school Principal (klaroue@sd44.ca) any requests they have for the placement of their child for next year. Please do not name a specific teacher, but rather the needs of your child. For example, their learning style (needs structure, routine, etc), friendship groups to place (or not place with), and if you would prefer your child to be in the low or high end of the combined class (eg. If your child is in grade 2, there is a possibility of a 1/2 or 2/3). Friendship groups cannot be guaranteed. Please send a separate email request for each child. Thank you!

While we appreciate your input, requests cannot be guaranteed.

Requests made after June 1st will have a lower priority in placement consideration.

NEW ITEMS:

BRIAN WING SCIENCE VISITS AGAIN THIS YEAR! / SCIENCE ALIVE

Brian Wing has so kindly provided science lessons for our students over the past 3 years. Beginning Friday, May 12th and occurring again Friday, May 19th and 26th all students will enjoy hands on, exciting science lessons. The best part? Brian volunteers his time to do this for our students!

All classes, K-7 will enjoy one full day of Science Alive (put on by SFU) on Monday, June 5th.

SUN SAFETY... when it arrives! ☺

Students are reminded to have a hat, and water bottle available to them when the sun and warmth arrives in the days. Please consider putting sunscreen on in the morning. Thank you for being sun smart!

GRADE 7 UPDATE

Grade 7 students had another successful visit to Sutherland last Friday. They are all pretty excited about the year ahead! The grade 7 Farewell will be held on Friday, June 23rd at 1:30. Parents/grandparents are invited!

Grade 7 students will also begin Freezie sales on Friday, May 19th – more info coming on cost, etc.

FUN DAY

We are looking for some parent volunteers that can help at stations on Friday, June 2nd. Fun day is being planned and organized by our Grade 7's and they would greatly appreciate any parents/grandparents that would like to help out. If you can help, please email Ms. Harrison (mharrison@sd44.ca) or Mr. Bott (jbott@sd44.ca)

TRACK AND FIELD

On May 16th (8-12:00 at Sutherland High School) we will have 49 intermediate students competing to qualify for the track and field finals held on June 6th. If your child is competing on the 6th, please drop them off at Sutherland at 7:55am and head toward the Queensbury area for checking (look for the Queensbury banner). Students will be walking back to Queensbury at the end of the meet and will resume regular afternoon activities in their classroom.

BAND PERFORMANCE

Thank you to Mr. Madill for hosting a final performance for our band students. Families are welcome to attend either the 1pm or 7pm concert.

Calendar items:

May 11	Queensbury drummers to Sutherland
May 12	Popcorn Sales (Gr.7 fundraiser)
May 16	Track Meet at Sutherland 8:00am-12:00pm
May 19	Freezie Sales begin (Gr. 7 Fundraiser every until end of school)
May 22	Victoria Day Holiday – school not in session

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May 24	Field Meet
May 30	Kindergarten Orientation
June 2	Fun Day
June 3	PAC Spring Fair
June 5	Science Alive!
June 6	Track and Field Finals - Sutherland
June 14	Band performance 1pm and 7pm
June 23	Grade 7 Farewell 1:30pm
June 29	Last day of school

Standing Information Items:

Queensbury's School Handbook

A copy of our current handbook is available on our website. A condensed version is located in the front of the student agendas.

Queensbury's School Plan

Goal #1

To enhance a sense of belonging for students, staff, and parents within our school community

Goal #2

To implement a common school wide approach toward teaching social emotional skills

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