

Queensbury Wolves Winter 2022 Bulletin

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THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS UPON US!

We've had such an exciting and active term one! Although we had so many 4 day weeks, we managed to pack a lot of learning and fun into the time we've shared together.

For the first time in almost three years, our grade 6's experienced 4 days at Cheakamus, classes are enjoying field trips, buddy class activities, our band students put on two performances, and this week our primary students performed to everyone's delight!! There's nothing better than student musical performances. Thank you to Mr. Madill and Mrs. Sergent for fostering a love of the Arts at Queensbury.

I'd like to give special thanks to our custodians Demi and Sam, who take great pride in keeping our school clean and safe, and to our school district's Maintenance/Facilities and Custodial departments. There are so many individuals diligently working behind the scenes to ensure that our school is safe and clean for everyone. We certainly appreciate their support of Queensbury.

With 2022 coming to a close, and 2023 fast approaching, let's continue to embrace what challenging times teach us: to be resilient, patient, kind, and thankful for all the good fortunes we enjoy.

Wishing each of our families a safe, happy, and healthy winter break!



We thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, upon whose unceded traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides. We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.

With enormous appreciation and gratitude, we thank....

Our PAC Executive and Parent Volunteers for an excellent start!

For all the big extras (bbq/breakfast/hot lunch) and little extras that make a big difference (your smiles and that coffee and tea delivery yesterday and today!!!) We thank you for generously donating your time and energy to support the Queensbury community.

And our Queensbury Angels!

Led by Marina Andrews, and generously supported by a team of Queensbury parents, a number of gift cards were donated and distributed, to help the holidays sparkle a little more brightly for families in our community.

We thank those who donated so generously in order to share joy and holiday spirit during these challenging economic times.

Sending December birthday wishes to...

Chloe S., Vie, Attila, Leo C., Maddi F., Alek J., Yasmin, Hannah, and Mason Mac.,

Sending January birthday wishes to...

Mercedes, Raechel, Lylia, Cali McC., and Leo O.

Project Backpack

Led by Ms. Harrison and Mr. Bott's classes, students in all grades participated in collecting items to support **Project Backpack**, a local organization that delivers backpacks filled with toiletries and items that support youth struggling with housing insecurity on the Downtown Eastside.

With the support of donations made by Queensbury families, our grade 6/7 classes worked diligently to fill 35 backpacks that will be delivered to youth in need, with an additional box full of items that will provide some simple comfort to those struggling with housing insecurity.

Additionally, you'll notice students from Mrs. Grantham's grade 2/3 class in this photo, showing their crocheting talents! Several students crocheted more than a dozen hats to donate to this worthy cause. Giving back feels good, and we are so proud of our students for showing kindness, compassion, and care for those less fortunate.



School Plan Update

We thank our parent volunteers (Adam Mallonee, Brook Walker, Lila Green, Stephanie Mon Kau and our staff reps Ms. Harrington, Ms. Lefroy, Mrs. Roy, and Ms. La Roue) for attending our School Planning session on October 25th. Our planning session was very productive as we looked discussed the importance of collecting data to help move our school forward. We also took time to hear from the Brooksbank, Eastview, Ridgeway and Sutherland teams on the connections each of our schools make in order to align with our District Goals. We will continue to enhance our school plan in the coming months to reflect these results. Way to go team!

For more information about our school plan, [click here](#)



Thank you for supporting our cereal drive for North Shore Harvest Project!

On Wednesday, December 14th, Ms. LaRoue and Mrs. Godber delivered over 100 boxes of cereal to the North Shore Harvest Project. Thank you for supporting this initiative and for supporting local families in need. Click this link for more information: [Harvest Project](#)

District Opportunities

AFK After School Art – Registration open

Taught by art specialist teachers and assisted by secondary art students, AFK's After School Art classes provide students the opportunity to further their artistic ability and foster positive attitudes towards the visual arts. Visit the [Artists for Kids](#) website for more information and to register.

AFK Spring Break Camps – Registration open

Students will enjoy a week full of studio art activities including drawing, painting and printmaking taught by an art specialist teacher. Each week will be unique with expert art teachers guiding students to experiment with many art materials and techniques. All materials are provided. Visit the [AFK Day Camps](#) web page for more information and to register.

Elementary Band and Strings - Registration begins January 16

Elementary Band and Strings is a unique instrumental music program that complements the Ministry of Education and Child Care's Arts Education curriculum and provides school-based instrumental instruction to students in Grades 5 – 7 for Band and Grades 4 – 7 for Strings. Registration for the 2023/2024 school year runs from January 16 – February 28.

While there is a Late Registration enrolment period, this is subject to program availability and class size at your child's school site and is dependent on sufficient registrations received by February 28. Visit the [Elementary Band and Strings](#) web page for more information, including program fees.

New registration and transfer requests begins January 23

Priority placement for new registrations and transfers for Grades 1-12 begins on Monday, January 23 and ends on Friday, March 3 at 4 p.m. Visit the [2023/2024 Registrations and Transfer Requests](#) web page for detailed information.

COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING

Report cards were published on Monday, Dec 12th.

Parents, for more information about your child's progress, please connect with your child's classroom teacher.

Please Contact www.queensbury.ca if you have trouble accessing your child's report card.

How to use the parent portal [click here](#)

For more information on communicating student learning please [click here](#)

A Message from our PAC

Are you receiving the weekly PAC newsletter?

If NOT, please connect with the PAC through this [link](#)



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US!

Queensbury students have been learning to identify how their body feels when they experience various (sometimes big) emotions. They are learning strategies to help them think in a positive manner and how to respond in an appropriate manner when difficulties occur.

Did you know that school aged children require a minimum of 10 hours of sleep? Getting enough sleep is essential for managing emotions! A good sleep, a healthy diet, exercise and hydration are all contributing factors to our emotional well being. We are encouraging students to turn off all electronics at least one hour prior to bed time and to make a special effort in getting at least 10 hours of sleep! It's amazing how well we treat others and attend to tasks when we've had a great sleep Social emotional learning is not just for our students! Adults are also being asked to be aware of their emotions and feelings and the impact their words and tone have on others. We are all working together to model compassion, empathy and kindness.

Other Local Supports:

- MCFD Child Youth and Mental Health: 604-904-4336
- Vancouver Coastal Regional Distress Line: 604-872-3311
- MIND HEALTH BC

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Drop in Support
Mon: 1-5 pm
Tues: 1-5 pm
Wed: 1-5 pm
Thurs: 1-5 pm

Primary Care Clinic Hours
Monday & Thursday
2:30 – 6:00 pm
Tuesday & Wednesday
2:30 – 4:30 pm
*please call for an appointment.
604-984-5063



Foundry North Shore provides health and wellness services for youth aged 12-24 and their families

Open Hours:
Monday – Friday
9 am - 5 pm

211 West 1st St
North Vancouver

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The Queensbury Staff

wishes you a very safe and happy winter holiday!

School begins again on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 (8:40 - 3:00)

Winter Weather Reminders

As winter weather approaches, we want to remind parents/guardians, students, and staff of the North Vancouver School District's winter weather procedures and announcements.

All schools in the North Vancouver School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced through the media, placed on the school district website and schools' websites.

