

THE QUADRA WEEKLY BRIEFING

Dear Quadra Community,

This sunny Friday is a fitting way to end a fun and productive week of learning.

Congratulations and thank you to our wonderful PAC for their successful bottle drive last weekend. The funds raised will help make our outdoor learning spaces a reality. Our PAC continues to work hard for our school community, and we are very grateful for them.

French Kindergarten Registration for the 2021-22 school year concludes today. We are very excited to meet our new French kindies in the September. English Kindergarten Registration takes place during the week of January 25-29, 2021. Information on this can be found on our district website at www.sd61.bc.ca.

Looking Ahead:

- **Jan. 22**
 - ProD – No school
- **Jan. 25-29**
 - English Kindergarten Registration Week
- **Feb. 1-5**
 - Grade 4 FSAs

Please see the following information from our wonderful PAC:

Thank you to everyone who help to make our bottle drive a success. We would like to extend a special thank-you to the following volunteers:

- Catherine and Georgia
- Bronwyn
- Marketa and family
- Linda and Lana
- Chris and Bryn
- Carla and Elias
- Jenaya and Caden
- Dave
- Jeanine and James
- Chris

Unfortunately, there might be a couple people we've forgotten, and we apologize if we missed you. Thank you everyone!

Victoria High is the high school that most Quadra students will eventually go to, and it is currently the subject of planning for the future. One of the aspects under consideration is whether to convert the full sized track into housing, which would have an impact on student fitness amenities. The following links provide more information.

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/community/vic-high-planning-for-the-future/>

<https://www.timescolonist.com/opinion/op-ed/comment-vic-high-track-is-an-asset-worth-saving-1.24263367>

<https://www.timescolonist.com/news/local/athletes-renew-call-for-larger-track-project-at-vic-high-1.24250963>

Parents can have a say in the future design and construction of Vic High by writing to the board of trustees to voice any concerns, or to advocate for the school district to keep with the original plan and build the eight lane track.

Burnside Gorge Childcare and Out of School Care Registration Information:

The Ministry of Children and Family Development approved funding for two child care studios to be located at Tillicum Elementary. The buildings are nearing completion and will accommodate a before and after school program, and a full time 3-5 year old child care program. The Burnside Gorge Community Association will be providing child care for both units. The **Burnside Gorge Community Association is accepting applicants March 1st for the before and after school spaces only**. Once they have secured staff for the full-time child care spaces they will start accepting applicants for this program. Please continue to visit the website for more information. To contact the Burnside Gorge Community Association please call 250-388-5251 to inquire about the before and after school care program.

How to Register Your Child in Out of School Care for the 2021/22 School Year!

We have made some changes to our registration process for licensed Before and After School Care for children attending Quadra and Tillicum Elementary Schools. Please note this is for new families only! Families who are currently registered will be contacted directly by program staff.

For families with children attending Quadra Elementary in 2021/22 - Registration for New Families opens on February 1st 2021 at 11:00 am

Please call the Burnside Gorge Community Association Front Desk Team at 250-388-5251 once registration opens for your child's school. Childcare spots will be offered on a first come first serve basis.

When you call in you will be asked to provide the following information:

- Your name and contact information
- Your child(ren)'s name(s) and grade(s)
- What school your child(ren) go to
- What type of care you need (before and/or after school*)

You will be connected with the appropriate childcare program manager to complete the following steps:

- Filling out and returning your registration package
- Payment of the \$35 registration fee
- Applying for the Affordable Child Care Benefit (if applicable)
- We look forward to meeting you and your family!

*Before School Care runs from 7:30am until the morning bell and After School Care runs from the afternoon bell until 5:30pm.

Please have a wonderful, safe weekend!