

# THE QUADRA WEEKLY BRIEFING

Dear Quadra Community,

It is hard to believe January is almost over. This is usually a very long month but it certainly did not seem so here at Quadra.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2021-22 year concludes today. We are very excited to meet our new kindies next year!

Do you need help navigating mental health supports for your child? The FamilySmart Parent-In-Residence (PIR) program offers one-on-one support to parents and caregivers. PIRs are parents who have lived experience with the child and youth mental health system, and they can offer resources and knowledge to help you access support for your child. If you would like more information, contact Lisa Tate (Parent-In-Residence for Victoria) at 250-818-4810 or visit [www.familysmart.ca](http://www.familysmart.ca).

Along the lines of Mental Health: Lately, we have had a number of incidents on and off school grounds in which, for one reason or another, adults have been less than kind to one another. These have ranged in scope from arguments about mask wearing and social distancing to picking up in the pull through and parking in the neighbourhood. Most, if not all, of the disputes reported to me took place in front of Quadra students. As adults, we need to model the behaviour that we want our children to emulate. We are all dealing with 'more stuff' due to COVID 19; please remember that, as part of being in this together, we need to be gentle with one another.

A Gentle Reminder: Please do not come onto school property during drop off/pickup with your dog (the exception here is a service animal); if you are coming onto school property please note that a mask will be required if you have an appointment within the school. We also encourage you to wear a mask (if possible) outside if you cannot maintain social distancing practices.

## **Looking Ahead:**

- **Feb. 1-5**
  - Grade 4 FSAs
- **Feb. 2**
  - PAC Meeting
- **Feb. 8-11**
  - FRIMM Carnival
- **Feb. 8-12**
  - SD61 District Student Transfer Week
- **Feb 12**
  - ProD – No school for students
- **Feb. 15**
  - Family Day – No school for students

## **From Our Wonderful PAC:**

Thank you Quadra Community! The Quadra School Bottle Drive raised a total of \$1406.18!

### **Upcoming PAC Meeting: Feb 2, 2021 07:00 PM**

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/62911987301?pwd=T3AzUXJDbXphRHg0d1g3Y2xGTTlxdz09>

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## **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!

Connor McCoy  
Principal