

THE QUADRA WEEKLY BRIEFING

Dear Quadra Community,

We hope you all had a restful week in the snow! Our staff have been working hard to prepare for the full return of all students on the 10th. Part of this preparation has been to ready our school for a possible shift to online teaching (please ensure you read attached letter from Interim Superintendent Deb Whitten located in the 'From our School District' section). While we hope this possibility does not occur, we do need to be ready for any eventuality. We have also switched back to being a two schedule school in order to improve upon existing distancing protocols during morning and lunch recesses. Please note: this revamping of the schedule will not affect start and end times for any family, nor will it mean a strict return to the cohort system we enacted last school year. What it does mean is that 10 of our 22 divisions will have a different lunch time and an afternoon recess while the other 12 divisions will continue to follow our current schedule. Classroom teachers will inform parents as to which of these two schedules they have been assigned.

Parents and students are reminded of their responsibilities to complete a Daily Health Check and can do so by clicking on this link: [Daily Health Checklist for Parents to Assess Students](#).

Please remember that masks make a difference. *The Provincial Health Officer's [Face Coverings Order](#) requires all K-12 staff, students and visitors to wear face coverings (masks) in schools and on buses. Exemptions for visitors, staff and students include:*

- *If the person is unable to wear a mask because of:*
 - *A psychological, behavioural or health condition, or a physical, cognitive, or mental impairment, or*
 - *They are unable to put on or remove a mask without the assistance of another person**

**All italicized information taken directly from Provincial K-12 Covid-19 Planning Resource.*

If your child is exempt for any of the above reasons and you have not yet informed your child's teacher, please do so immediately. The vast majority of our students will continue to be supported to wear masks. We ask that you send your child/ren with several masks to begin each week (if you are able). We will have a supply in the office but we go through these very quickly.

Some parents have asked: Do the new rules prevent parents from entering schools? Please note:

- *Schools will be limiting visitors to those that are offering services that are of direct benefit to students, like those helping with meal programs or teacher candidates.*
- *Schools will work with their parent community to ensure activities like drop off and pick up continue to occur safely, and that virtual options are provided when parents need to connect with their child's school (like for parent-teacher interviews). **

**information taken directly from 'Addendum – Provincial COVID -19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings, December 29, 2021*

In other news: PAC will host a Contactless Bottle Drive this Sunday from 10 am – 2 pm. Please bring in all your holiday cans and bottles to support our school!!



Daily Health Check for Parents

Updated January 10, 2022

Parents and caregivers must perform a daily health check and follow the directions as to when students must stay home:

SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fever (above 38°C) • Chills • Cough • Loss of sense of smell or taste • Difficulty breathing 	<p>1 or more of these symptoms: Get tested and stay home.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sore throat • Loss of appetite • Headache • Body aches • Extreme fatigue or tiredness • Nausea or vomiting • Diarrhea 	<p>If you have 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better.</p> <p>2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home and wait 24 hours to see if you feel better. Get tested if not better after 24 hours.</p>

If you are a **close contact*** of someone who has COVID-19 and have any of the symptoms listed above: **Get tested and stay home.**

*For more information on close contacts, go to: www.bccdc.ca/covid19/closecontacts

Stay Home When Required to Self-Isolate

When you self-isolate, you stay home and keep away from others to help stop the spread of COVID-19. You should self-isolate if:

- You have symptoms of COVID-19.
- You are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 and you are not fully vaccinated.
- You have been asked to self-isolate by public health or because of recent travel.

For more information on self-isolation and self-monitoring, please visit the [BCCDC webpage on self-isolation](#).

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Looking Ahead:

- **Jan. 9**
 - PAC Bottle Drive
- **Jan. 10**
 - All students return to regular classes
- **Jan. 10-14**
 - French Kindergarten Registration Week
- **Jan. 24-28**
 - English Kindergarten Registration Week
- **Jan. 28**
 - ProD – No school
- **Feb. 7-11**
 - District Transfer Week
- **Feb. 18**
 - ProD- No school

From Our School District:

French Kindergarten Registration For the 2022-23 School Year Happens Next Week

- This is a registration week for K and Grade 1 French Immersion. All placements are done automatically by catchment priorities by *lottery selection*. No need for rush or panic.
- Registration is done electronically on our Registration App:
<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/online-registration/>
- If your child is already enrolled at our school, there is no need for you to re-register. Their registration rolls over with us until they transfer to middle school



Please click on the following link for the letter from Interim Superintendent Deb Whitten:

From Our Wonderful PAC:

Bottle Drive This Sunday is a go!!!

Contactless bottle drive with all Covid safety measures in place. Help to fundraise for our school!

Quadra families please drop off your empty cans and bottles to Quadra school

Sunday January 9th

10am-2pm

IF you are able to support as a volunteer please sign up using the following Google

Form: https://docs.google.com/document/d/11qDwKHhW3cKv0mxHvAb22W8RnFlw11EHF_BUcqZOwG8/edit?usp=sharing

Stay safe and healthy,

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