

THE QUEENSVILLE QUILL

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We are truthful and sincere. We ensure consistency between what we say and what we do as well as between what we believe and how we behave.

Character Trait: INTEGRITY

We stick to a goal and complete all tasks with our best effort and abilities.



Children who turn four or five years old during 2019, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. For more information and registration forms please click on the YRDSB website.

A Note from Mr. Arnott

Thank you so much for the nice welcome to Queensville PS. I met many parents at the Family Science Night last week and have also said hello to several Kindergarten parents at school each day. I look forward to working with this great staff team during my time at Queensville this spring.

April Calendar					
3	Soccer Intramural @ lunch				
4	Hospital Presentation (Grade 1-2)				
5	EG Library Outreach (Grade 3/4)				
10	International Day OF PINK				
12	Soccer Intramural @ lunch / SPARKY visit (gr. 1)				
19	Good Friday				
22	Easter Monday				
24	Dance-a-thon (Student Council)				
25	EG Library Outreach (Grade 1)				
26	Soccer Intramural & BEACH DAY!				
30	Boys Basketball Tournament				



Math LEARNING goes Outside!

Spring and nice weather make for a great time to get outdoors and connect with math. Whether you are taking a walk, filling compost bags with leaves, cutting the lawn or starting to build that garden shed, there are many opportunities to engage in rich mathematical discussions with your child.

Here are some questions you can pose to your child as you engage with nature:

- What shapes do you see in that house?
- How tall do you think that tree is?
- How far do you think we walked today?
- How many piles of leaves do you think will fit into this bag?
- How many ___ did you see on our walk?
- How many windows do you think are in that building?
- How long do you think it will take us to walk one kilometer?
- If we double our pace how long do you think it will take us to get home?

So the next time you spend some time outdoors with your child, take some time to engage in some math talk!

To find out what your child will learn in math this year or to find other fun activities that you can do together as a family, please visit http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Math/Pages/default.aspx. Be sure to also try our Problem of the Month

CHARACTER ALWAYS MATTERS @ QPS!

In March we celebrated with all students for their ongoing understanding and commitment to the character traits of Perseverance and Bravery. This month we are going to focus on INTEGRITY and TRUTH. Honesty is always a good policy and when we turn our words into positive actions we demonstrate Integrity. This month we continue with our VIP program, our intramural community soccer games and a Social Skills program. Congratulations Queensville students for your participation and spirit in March. Let's have a great spring! The QPS Student Council is busy organizing a special event for April 24th.



On Wednesday, April 24th, QPS will be celebrating Earth Day with a **Dance-athon/Read-athon** from 2:00 - 3:00 pm. QPS Student Council is in the process of organizing this event for the entire school. Students are encouraged to bring in \$2 and they have the choice to participate in either activity or both, if they choose. Students will be dancing in the gym and reading outdoors in nature. There might be snacks available for purchase more info to come!





Around the School...



Many of our students and their parents enjoyed a night of discovery on March 25 with Scientists in the School.







Look at all the cool activities we did with technology: Pro Bots during the month of March in our Learning Commons. We are looking forward to adding new tech equipment this month as part of the Board cost-sharing program.



AS A PART of our Healthy Schools and snacking initiative, we all had a chance to join in The BIG CRUNCH last week.







SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

As a school council member, you can help your council discover new and exciting ways to contribute to the education of students in your school. Education is a partnership involving parents, students, teachers, principals, school boards, government, and the community. Your involvement in the council gives you the opportunity to strengthen that partnership, and to be part of a dedicated team working to ensure a high quality of education and an accountable education system for the children of Ontario. **Save the Date!** Monday, May 6th is our next School Council Meeting from 5:30-6:30 pm at QPS! All are welcome.

2018-2019 YEARBOOK: If you have any expertise, artistic talent or simply just a passion for collecting fond memories, perhaps you would like to help us with this year's Queensville PS yearbook. Please contact the school.







We continue to welcome nut free granola bars, cereal, gift cards, and/or fresh fruit donations for our morning snack program. Thank you for your support! And a special thanks to parents, for volunteering your time to shop for and then to wash and prepare our fresh fruits so they can be served to our students in the mornings.



For our Spring Fundraiser we will be having the students sell products from Veseys Bulbs again this year. Last year this "Green" fundraiser was a great success and our school earned over \$900 as a result. 50% of all sales go directly towards the school to support tech equipment, playground maintenance, sports teams, skating, field trips and many others. Our goal this year is to earn over \$1000.00. The top selling student will receive a chapters gift card and the top selling class will have a smoothie treat day! More information will be sent home next week. Thank you for all of your support.



LOOKING AHEAD in APRIL

International and Indigenous Languages (IIL) Program Registration for 2019-2020

Elementary International and Indigenous Languages Program Registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin on Thursday, April 11, 2019. We are pleased to announce that we are now offering **online registration** for our elementary program. Registering online will eliminate wait times and long line-ups. To facilitate registration, on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 4:00 pm, online registration will be available for the first time through Edsby on our webpage:

<u>www.yrdsb.ca/international-languages</u> Families can still register in person at the site starting April 11 and in September. Please contact our office at international.languages@yrdsb.ca if you would like to register in person before September.

Did you know that the IIL Program has over 20 languages to choose from? Currently we have approximately 15,000 students registered in our programs across the Board. Students from SK to Grade 8 are eligible to take language classes that run once a week during weekday evenings (from Tuesday to Friday) or Saturday mornings for 2.5 hours. There are many new and exciting things in store for the upcoming 2019/2020 school year, such as the opportunity to learn the Indigenous languages Ojibwe and Cree.

Please note that due to space limitations, registration applications will take place on a first-come-first-serve basis. Classes may be cancelled due to low enrolment or lack of teacher availability. For more information about registration, courses, dates and locations, please visit www.yrdsb.ca/international-languages or e-mail us at international.languages@yrdsb.ca.

April @ QPS 2019								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	3 1	AUTISM AWARENESS DAY	5 3 Soccer Intramural	Presentation Gr. 1/2	2 5 Baked	6		
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14	3 15	4 Day	5 Day 5 17 YRDSB Parent Council SYMPOSIUM AUGUAY	Day 1 18	19 Good Friday	20		
21	22 Easter Monday	2 23	3 24	4 25	5 26 Beach Day Soccer Intramural Baked	27		
28	1 Day 29 SCIENTISTS IN SCHOOL	2 30 Boys' Basketball Tournament	Day 3 May 1 Character Assembly 9:15 am					