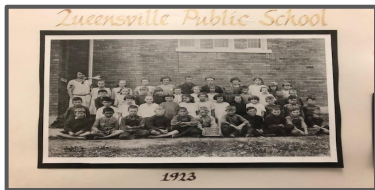


# THE QUEENSVILLE QUILL

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Celebrating 100 years



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**Grandfather Teaching:** *Wisdom is gathering and using knowledge; knowing the Results of your actions, that each choice you make has consequences.*

Character  
Matters!

**Character Trait: INITIATIVE**

*We are eager to do what needs to be done without having to be told.  
We take the important first steps to sharing and achieving our personal goals.*



## COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

If you have not already done so, please remember to return borrowed technology (either recently or from last spring) to the school as these items are needed to deliver the curriculum. All technology will be properly processed and sanitized before being returned for the classroom program.

Thank you



## Office message ...



*Term 2 has now started however there has been a slight delay in the distribution of the first term Report Cards; look for them to come home electronically this week. If you have any questions or would like to offer feedback, please reach out to your child's teacher.*

*Last month, parents were asked to complete a School Model Change survey in order to help us plan for both Face to Face and Virtual Learning programs. As a result, Queensville Public School has not needed to make any changes to either our staff or our classroom organization for the spring term.*

*In 2021 our school begins to celebrate the 100th anniversary (established in 1921); one of the oldest schools in York Region. At the recent School Council meeting we discussed ideas to help celebrate this milestone as a community event (all things considered) later in the fall.*

*Families continue to receive information from Public Health and the Board related to the safety and well-being of our staff and students. We remind you to continue taking all precautions and use the daily student screening tool. We are all working together to stay safe.*

## Safe Face to Face learning continues

Now that our students have returned to class it is important to remember and practise all safety protocols including some of the new rules updated by Public Health:

- The masks are now mandatory for students in Grade 1 up to Grade 6 (inside and outside)
- Any equipment / class materials / books that are used will be sanitized regularly as part of our daily cleaning and assigned on an individual basis
- Personal items and property from home should be limited (lunches, snacks, indoor shoes and other materials necessary for learning)
- Review the symptoms of COVID-19 (self checklist) each day before leaving for school

## GREAT BIG CRRRUNCH!

Next Monday (March 1st) the school will recognize the support from our snack program and also the need to practice healthy eating. Our traditional **BIG CRUNCH** event will occur in each classroom during a synchronous time when we can all bite into, and enjoy a fresh healthy apple.



## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Online Kindergarten Registration for QPS! Kindergarten registration for September 2020 still continues for the 2020-2021 school year. Our school is offering online registration for Kindergarten. Children who turn four or five years old during 2020, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. If you, or someone you know, is registering a child for Kindergarten at our school, you can access the online registration information at [bit.ly/KindergartenYRDSB](http://bit.ly/KindergartenYRDSB). Families are still welcome to register in person in the school office. Registration forms are available on the Board's website at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca)

## MARCH BREAK HAS BEEN POSTPONED AS PER THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DIRECTION. THE NEW DATE IS **APRIL 12-16**

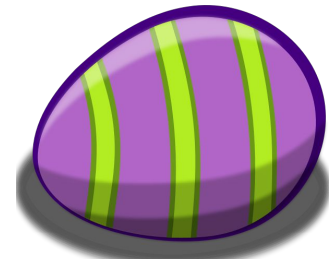
### OTHER SPRING DATES TO REMEMBER INCLUDE

**EASTER: Friday April 2 - Monday April 5th**

**Victoria Day: Monday May 24**

**Elementary PA Day: Monday May 31**

**Second Term Report Cards: June 24**



## SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER - next Council meeting is April 6 @ 5:30

**\*new members are always welcome to join us.**

As part of our Parents Reaching Out initiative this year we are working with other schools in the area to provide a special Guest Speaker who will help reinforce our message and support for mental health and well-being during COVID.

For a spring Fundraiser we will be having a "read-a-thon". This will begin mid-March. More details to soon follow.

The members of our Council are quite excited and happy to support the celebration of 100 years at Queensville Public School. Look for more information to come before the end of the school year. We will be planning a special event and hope to share this memorable occasion even with our community in the fall.

# YRDSB Report It Tool

Our schools should be safe, welcoming and inclusive places for everyone. It is important that students know what to do if they witness or experience inappropriate behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination.

- There may be situations when you can safely step in and intervene and help.
- Talk to an adult at school, family member or other trusted adult.
- Report the event without the person involved knowing using our online reporting tool, Report It.

Report It lets you share information about inappropriate student behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination. You can use the online form to report:

- bullying, drugs, cheating, vandalism, harassment, violence or any other inappropriate behaviour
- incidents of discrimination or hate, including anti-Indigenous racism, ableism, anti-Asian racism, anti-Black racism, antisemitism, classism, homophobia, Islamophobia, sexism, transphobia or other forms of hate

You can report events that happen at school, at school-related events, online or off school property if it negatively affects a student or the school climate. You can also choose to make a report anonymously.

Complete reports are shared with the school to investigate and respond. Acts of discrimination, hate and bullying are never acceptable. Using the Report It tool is a way of standing up for each other and for ourselves.

You can find Report It on the homepage of the Board website at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca) and on the homepage of every school website, or watch this [short video](#) to learn more.



# Winter HEALTH AND SAFETY



## COMMUNITY SAFETY ZONES REQUIRE SPECIAL ATTENTION

Throughout York Region there are 60 Community Safety Zones. These zones require special attention because school children are present. That's why large signs are posted, flashing lights and yellow markings provide warning, and fines for speeding are much higher.

Every school located on a Regional road is designated as a Community Safety Zone - including the section of Leslie Street to the north and south of Queensville Public School.

Drivers, please slow down to keep communities safe, and allow students, teachers, crossing guards, bus drivers and staff to feel comfortable.

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