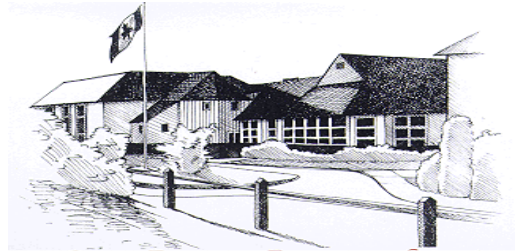


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NEWSLETTER #8 – March 31, 2017

"Are You Returning"

Most families have returned the Purple "Are you returning" forms to enable us to plan for next year. Please let the office know if your plans change as staffing and organization are based on enrolment numbers. The more accurate we can be, the smoother school startup will be in September.



Spelling Bee

A big congratulations to QE's own Emma Tsou, a grade 6 student who won the school spelling bee in March. But it didn't stop there! Emma went on to compete in the Regional Spelling Bee at Trinity Western University and placed third! Way to go Emma!



Thank you to Ms. Davis, Mrs. Pomponio and Ms. Spicer for organizing and adjudicating the 'bee'!



QE Choir



Choir has started up again for the final term of the year. Practices will be held on Wednesdays in the Auditorium at lunch. New choristers are welcome to join and the **registration deadline for new students is Friday, April 7th**. Returning choristers need not register. Mrs. Na is planning a performance for the school in early June.

Grilled Cheese Sandwiches



Thank you to all those who purchased grilled cheese sandwiches today. We sold 175 sandwiches! A big thank you to the Palitti family (Katie Palitti - Div.1) and the Nikula-Yen family (Jake Nikula – Div. 2) for generously donating the ingredients to make this happen! A big shout out to Ms. Davis and Div. 1 students for organizing this event.

Class/Group Photos – Wednesday, April 26



A reminder to families that **Wednesday, April 26th** is class photo day. We ask that if possible, parents not schedule appointments for the children on that day - to ensure that they will have the opportunity to be in the class photo. This year, every child will receive a complimentary class photo. Students will have the opportunity to order and purchase group/panorama photos once the proofs become available.

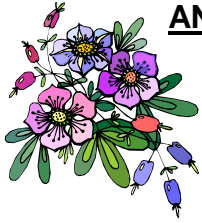
PAC NEWS



Safer Schools Together

Ensuring a safe caring school climate and culture.

The PAC have booked *Safer Schools Together* to provide presentations for Grades 1 – 4 and Grades 5 – 7 on April 20th. A parent evening is scheduled for **May 30th at 7:00 pm**. Please plan to join us!



ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Back by popular demand QE PAC will be holding the annual hanging basket and plant sale. Order forms will go home in mid-April with delivery on **Tuesday, May 9th**. New this year, herb and tomato flats will be available. Big thanks to Sandra Yen and Rosemary Delli Pizzi for coordinating this year.

FAMILY GAMES NIGHT



Block your calendars for the evening of **Thursday, April 27th** for the 2nd annual Family Games Night! Following a similar format to last year but with many new games and more food options. We hope to see you there! Many thanks to Carmen Cho for coordinating again this year.



Roots of Empathy
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Would you like to help children learn empathy from a Baby?

Roots of Empathy is an evidence-based classroom program that has shown significant effect in reducing levels of aggression and bullying among school children while raising social/emotional competence and increasing empathy. We have been training and delivering programs for over 20 years.

The program is taught in elementary school classrooms across Canada and is in almost 90% of school districts in British Columbia and in over one third of schools in Vancouver. To see a video of a classroom in action click [here!](#)

Queen Elizabeth Elementary is seeking individuals who have experience with children or youth who would be interested in attending a 4 day training to become a Certified Roots of Empathy Instructor. The Instructor delivers 27 lessons over the course of the school year to one elementary class. The prep time is about one hour per lesson and 30 to 40 minutes of classroom time per week.

To find out more about this volunteer opportunity please contact **Christine Shepherd** at 604-713-5230 or cshepherd@rootsofempathy.org today!



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