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2017 Notice of Late Return Form

Parents must complete and return to the school office a Notice of Late Return Form for any student expecting to return to Queen Elizabeth LATER THAN noon on **Tuesday**, **September 5**, **2017** but prior to **September 29**, **2017**. Forms are available in the school office or you may use the one attached.



Please note: If, by 12:00 pm on Wednesday, September 6th, 2017, the school cannot verify that your child will be in attendance by Friday, September 29th, 2017, your child's space will be given to another student on the school's waitlist.

Volunteer Appreciation Tea

Parents are invited to an Appreciation Tea on Wednesday, June 7th 8:00 - 9:15 AM in the QE Staffroom.



Coffee, Tea, and light refreshments will be served. QE Staff would like to acknowledge their appreciation to all those parents who volunteered to help our school this year! Mrs. Car, the incoming Principal is planning to join us to meet the community.



Invitations are sent home with your child. If you can attend, please return the RSVP slip to your child's classroom teacher by June 1st.

PAC meeting to follow in the Library. Please join us!

Track and Field

QE Track and Field just wrapped up their short season last week with the zone meet at Point Grey Secondary. All athletes did well, giving wonderful efforts. Thank you to all the students for their commitment and a big thank you to all the coaches; Mr. Marchioro, Ms. Block, Mr. Gogag, Ms. Davis, and Ms. Seto and Ms. Leroux. Parent support also made the season a success. Thank you for your involvement.





Sports Day

The sun came out and the temperature was perfect for Q.E.'s Sports Day on Friday, May 26th. Organized and led by Mr. Marchioro, and supported by all staff. Byng student volunteers helped with set up and in many activities of the day. Parent volunteers put in a lot of effort and care to provide food for the day, including preparing fresh fruit, and distributing chips and freezies. The PAC also organized lunch for students to order. Deepest thanks go to all for making it a memorable day for the kids!

Science Fair

On May 8th, intermediate grade students presented original projects and scientific queries at a full day Science Fair. The halls were filled with the language of science and student sharing as classes visited the fair to discover the work of their peers. Thanks to the teachers who facilitated the fair and guided students in their inquiries, especially Mr. Gogag. Thank you to the parents who supported young scientists at home!

SHARKS ~ Jason's Science Fair Topic

Grade 6 Division 4

There are many kinds of amazing fish in the ocean. The most interesting one is the shark, the second highest in the food chain. Sharks are endangered because of over fishing and shark finning.

Shark fin soup is a Chinese delicacy that means wealth and power. Shark finning is when sharks are finned alive and then thrown back in the sea and left to die.

The shark's hunting style is very unique. The Great White Shark will sneak up on a seal and then grab the seal and kill it. Sharks have different kinds of teeth to cut, grab and crush their prey. Some sharks have to keep swimming or else they will die of suffocation.

Sharks can be mistaken as monsters because of the way they attack people. They attack because they mistake paddling for a seal and so may attack surf boards.

Shark attacks on people are very rare. You are 75% more likely to drown than get bitten by a shark. Did you know that 61 people die in a year from lightning compared to 10 people getting bitten by sharks in one year?

So next time you see a shark don't be scared. Remember sharks are friends not monsters.



PAC NEWS



Flower Sale - Thanks to everyone who supported the annual plants sale raising over \$1000! The flowers looked amazing and surely brightened many gardens. Big, big thanks to Sandra Yen and Rosemary Delli Pizzi for organizing this year and to all the volunteers Jane Thomas, Cathy Armstrong, Julia Arthur and Marie Wallace (QE grandparent) for sorting everything and staying throughout the day too for pick-ups!

The PAC meeting that was scheduled for Thursday, June 8th at 9:15am is being moved to Wednesday, June 7th to follow the parent volunteer appreciation event hosted by QE Staff. Parents are all welcome. We encourage all parents and caregivers to stay and attend the last PAC meeting of the school year.

The Safer Schools Together Social Media Talk has been rescheduled to Wednesday, November 15th - please mark your calendars. We are hopeful this timing will work better to ensure we have a good turn-out. It's a very informative talk so we hope you will attend!