

# THE QUEEN E. QUEST

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year Knights! As we move into the colder months of the year, students are encouraged to dress for the weather. It is a great idea to label items so that they can be tracked down easily. Our playground equipment will now be closed for safety until the spring.

## SPORTS 'N' CLUBS

Our basketball season has begun and our teams are looking great. Thanks to Mr. Reegan, Mr. Barr, Mr. Chapados and Mr. VanKessell for coaching our teams. Mr. Spencer, Ms. Sellen, Mr. Gilbert, Ms. Lane, Ms. Brodie, Ms. Coatsworth and Ms. Duncan have been running games club in the Learning Commons. A lot of kids attend and are learning great skills.

## MENTAL MATH

Part of our School Learning Plan is to work on our mental math skills. You can assist with this at home by working with your child on solving math problems in the car, while you are walking or when you're hanging out together at home.

When students give you an answer, ask them questions like "How do you know?" or "How did you solve that?". This kind of questioning helps them to think about their thinking and then explain their thinking.



Is your child ready for Kindergarten? If your child is four or five years old by December 31, 2024, registration is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

1. [Find your school.](#)
2. Register online. [Sign up for an LKDSB Parent/Guardian account](#) in our secure Aspen Student Information System and follow the steps to register a Kindergarten student. Instructions on how to create an account can be [found here.](#)
3. Meet with our caring staff at your local public school on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> (4-7pm) or Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> (9-3 pm).

### We look forward to meeting you!

Note: If you miss Kindergarten registration on February 1 or 2, you can still register your child. Please contact your local school for more information.

### To complete your registration, remember to bring:

- Birth certificate or proof of Canadian Citizenship or Residency Status (if appropriate)
- Proof of residency (e.g. utility or tax bill, lease/rental agreement, etc.)
- Emergency contact information
- Your child!

The Ministry of Education requires that every student have a complete and up-to-date immunization record on file with the local Health Unit in order to attend school. Contact [Chatham-Kent Public Health](#) or [Lambton Public Health](#) to ensure your immunization records are up-to-date.

# JANUARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 Welcome Back!	9	10	11	12
15	16	17 Pizza Day	18	19
22	23	24 Pizza Day	25 Parent Council 5:30	26
29	30	31 Pizza Day	1 Kindergarten Open House 4-7	2 Kindergarten Open House 9-3

## QEC Spirit Wear



<https://qechatham.edu/ipyshops.com/>



## PARENT COUNCIL

Our next meeting is going to be held on Thursday January 25th at 5:30 in the Learning Commons. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Parents are being asked to submit their thoughts regarding the outside of our school building and our grounds with safety and accessibility as the priority. Items can be submitted via email conversation with office staff and School Council members.

### Bell Schedule:

Start time: 8:55 am  
 First Break: 10:55-11:35 am  
 Second Break: 1:15-1:55 pm  
 Dismissal: 3:15 pm

### Reporting Absences:

If your child is going to be late or is going to be absent, please call us anytime as we have answering machine to hold messages. Please leave your child's name, the date and reason for absence.

### Morning Arrival:

Supervision on the yard begins at 8:40 am. Students are asked to wait until that time to come on to the yard.