

THE QUEEN E. QUEST

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WELCOME BACK!

We hope that you had a fantastic summer and are ready for another amazing year at Queen E. If you are a new family, we want to offer you a warm welcome and a thank you for choosing our school.

The staff has been working extremely hard this past week getting ready for this year preparing learning spaces for all our students. We'd like to thank our custodial team for all their hard work as well this summer. They cleaned all the classrooms, washed all the furniture and waxed the floors so that they are gleaming. Mrs. Smith, too, has been working very hard getting ready for us to start and registering new students.

We are very lucky to have such an amazing team here at Queen E. and we are really looking forward to working with all of you to make this year an extremely successful one.

SPORTS 'N' CLUBS

Sports and clubs will be up and running again this year. To start our year off, we will be beginning with our new Student Council. This club was initiated by our students for our students. I can't wait to see what amazing things they will do for our school community.

TERRY FOX RUN

We will be fundraising for cancer research with the Terry Fox Foundation again this year. Our run will take place on Wednesday September 27th with a rain date of Thursday September 28th. We will be collecting toonies for Terry throughout the month of September. Thank you in advance for your support of this important cause.

STAFFING CHANGES

We have had a few staffing changes here at Queen E. We are welcoming Mr. Zach Halwachs as our new vice principal and we are welcoming back Ms. Hendrie, Mr. Gilbert and Ms. Brodie.

MR. HALWACHS

Hello Knights Community!

As we kick off the 2023-2024 school year, I wanted to introduce myself, Zach Halwachs, as the new vice-principal at Queen Elizabeth II Public School. For the past two school years, I have been the vice-principal at Ridgetown District High School and prior to that, I spent ten years as a teacher and administrator in Lloydminster, Saskatchewan. That said, I am thrilled to have the opportunity to work alongside the incredible staff and school community at QE II, to encourage, support, and ensure each student reaches their full potential. I hope you had an enjoyable summer break and that you are as excited as I am for school to return. I look forward to connecting and collaborating with you throughout the upcoming school year.



PARENT COUNCIL

We will be starting up Parent Council very soon. We are looking for nominations for the executive members. If you would like to nominate someone, please call the school and a nomination form will be sent home.

Our first meeting with voting will take place on Monday September 25th at 5:00 pm in the Learning Commons. All parents are welcome to join and don't need to hold any official position.

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 an 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.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

On Friday September 29th we will honour those who were and are still impacted by residential schools. We ask that all students and staff wear an orange shirt that day in remembrance. The Orange Shirt became a symbol for this day because author and residential school survivor, Phyllis Webstad. She wore a brand new orange shirt to her first day at a residential school and it was taken away from her and never returned. The orange shirt now stands for the impact that residential schools had and still have today.

Staffing 23/24

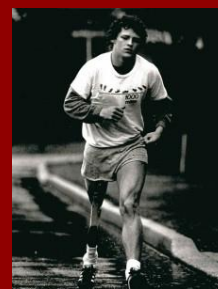
FDK- Ms. Gilbert & Ms. Church
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 SK/1- Ms. Harrietha
 Gr. 1/2- Ms. Hendrie
 Gr. 2- Ms. Langan
 Gr. 3/4- Mr. Gilbert
 Gr. 3/4- Ms. Kobylka
 Gr. 3/4- Ms. Brodie
 Gr. 4/5- Ms. Sellen
 Gr. 5/6- Ms. Vsetula
 Gr. 6/7- Ms. Duncan
 Gr. 7/8- Ms. Coatsworth
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Phys-Ed- Mr. Chapados
 Resource- Mr. Spencer
 Resource/Prep- Ms. Colquhoun
 French- Mr. Barr

Mr. Crow- Custodian

Ms. Smith- Secretary
 Mr. Halwachs- Vice Principal
 Ms. Goodal- Principal

These classroom assignments are tentative and may change as we get more registrations. If we need to reorganize, parents will be notified.



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We will be holding our annual Terry Fox run this year on Wednesday September 27th with a rain date of Thursday September 28th.

A form will be going home for donations and t-shirt sales as well. Thank you in advance for your support of this important cause.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4	5 First Day of School SK-gr. 8	6 JK group A attends	7 JK group B attends	8 All students attend
11	12	13	14	15 PA Day – no school
18	19	20	21	22
25 Parent Council 5pm	26	27 Terry Fox Run	28 Terry Fox Run rain date Meet the Staff BBQ 4-6pm	29