

Royal Report

Queen Elizabeth Secondary School

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QE ROYALS — Home of the "Royal" Bengal Tigers!

Well, it's been a month since I got here and I have said that of the 6 schools that I have been an administrator at, Queen Elizabeth is proving to be a special place. The students have been wonderful and full of energy and enthusiasm. The parents that I have met are genuinely happy to have their children attend our wonderful school. And let's not forget our staff – this is one of the most dedicated staff that I have worked with – you could see as they won the Family Feud (although, we are teaching Mr. Klein some geography lessons for the future).

September and October have been a bit busy. We observed a couple of very important events – Our Grade 8 Day where we showed our Grade 8s what being a Royal truly means for their school journey. We also had our students take part in the Terry Fox Run and Orange Shirt Day. Both of these events have very significant meaning behind them, and teachers have spent time discussing the significance of these days and there have been classroom activities/learning to support as well.

We have also begun to practice our different safety drills (fire. earthquake and lockdown) and students are doing a great job! Please be sure to talk with your child about what they learned to do in these emergency situations.

As we look forward to November, we will have our Remembrance Day ceremonies on November 9th. To make this occasion, we will have a ceremony commemorating the armed forces that fought for our freedoms in the many wars that we have endured in our history.

We are committed to ensuring that students receive regular and meaningful feedback on their progress and that parents/caregivers are informed about their child's progress. Over the course of the school year, students and parents/caregivers can expect the following informal and formal communication and reporting to occur:

- Interim Reports (early intervention)
- Term Report Cards
- · Core Competency Self-Assessments/Goal Setting
- Parent-Teacher Conferencing
- Final Report Card

For our Grade 8s and 9s, we have moved to proficiency grading so students in Grade 8/9 will not receive grades on their November report cards.

Much like in previous grades (K-7), we will be using the following proficiency scales for updating you on your child's progress Below is a diagram that explains the meaning of each of the proficiency levels (Emerging, Developing, Proficient, Extending).

October 2023 Issue #1

Important Dates

<u>October</u>

lational Day for Truth and	
teconciliation—school closed	2
hanksgiving Day-School Closed	9
Ion-Instructional Day #2—School Closed	2
chool Photo Re-takes in the Hub (PM only)	2
arly Dismissal Barant /Toachar Conf	2

November

Take Out Kids to Work Day (Grade 9s)	1
Non-Instructional Day #3—School Closed	10
Remembrance Day-School Closed	13
Assessment Day—Early Dismissal	15
Report Cards Published on MyEd	20

<u>December</u>

st day of classes Before Winter break	22
inter Break	Dec 22-Jan 5

<u>January</u>

School re-opens	8
Grad Photos (Mobile Studio)	10-17
Gr. 9 Immunizations	26
Last day of Regular Instruction for Semester 1	29
Course completion Days	30 –31

<u>February</u>

Semester 2 begins	1
Report cards published	6
Family Day - school closed	19
Non-instruction Day #4	23

March

Early Dismissal—Parent/Teacher conf	14
School Closure days	18-22
Spring Break	20-28
Good Friday	29
<u>April</u>	
Easter Monday	1
Vaisakhi Celebrations	12
Early Dismissal	24

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Counsellors — Mr. Jeremy Lendvoy (A—D); Ms. Jenny Hundal (E-K); Ms. Melissa Sira (L-Q); Ms. Sandra Kelly (R-Z)

Our Mission Statement

At Queen Elizabeth our mission is to be a safe and respectful learning community where all students will prepare intellectually, socially, and emotionally for their journey in a changing world.



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	Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
	I can show an initial	I have a partial	I have a complete	I have a sophisticated
	understanding of	understanding of	understanding of	understanding of
	concepts and	concepts and	competencies and	relevant concepts and
	competencies.	competencies.	relevant content.	competencies.
<u>e</u>				
8	I am beginning to understand a few of	I am starting to understand the	I can consistently and	I can apply my
Š	the concepts and	concepts and	clearly demonstrate understanding and of	understanding and skills to complex
~	competencies.	concepts and competencies.	concepts and	situations.
Proficiency Scale	competencies.	competencies.	competencies (skills)	situations.
.e	I am just getting	I can demonstrate my	and apply my learning.	I can creatively and
4	started.	understanding of		insightfully show in-
2		concepts and	I got it.	depth understanding.
Δ.	I learn best with help.	competencies at a		
		basic level or in familiar	I can do it on my	I get it and go
		situations.	own.	beyond what is
				expected of me.
		I get some of it.		
				I can teach it to a
		I am beginning to do		friend.
		more on my own.		

The Proficiency Scale relates student learning and achievement directly to what students know, can do, and understand. It has a different meaning than traditional letter grades.

There are some key reasons for communicating learning in this way. Using a proficiency scale conveys that learning is an ongoing process. This helps to promote a growth mindset and provide a pathway for student improvement, rather than act like an end point in the learning process.

Remember that home and school communication is very important, please connect with your child's teacher should you have any questions or concerns. Likewise, teachers will be contacting you directly if they have any concerns about progress

Thank you for a being a part of the Queen Elizabeth Community and I wish you all well as we move into the fall months.

Sincerely,

Mr. B. Ranu Proud Principal

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SEMESTER 1 Oct. 2 **National Truth and Reconciliation Day** 9 **Thanksgiving** 19-26 Informal Interim Report Week **Non-Instructional Day 20** 24 School Photo Retakes (am only) and Grad Group Photo GYM 28 Parent/Teacher Interviews—early dismissal Check out the School Website Nov. 1 Take Your Kids to Work Day (Grade 9's) For the most up-to-date Calendars and information: 10 **Non-Instructional Day** http://www.surreyschools.ca/queene **Remembrance Day** Assessment Day—Early Dismissal 16 1st Term Report Cards available on MyEd Parent/Student 20 **Portal** Dec. 22 **Winter Break** December 25 – January 5 Winter Break Receive future editions of the QE Newsletter via EMAIL: Register at the following link 8 **School Re-Opens** Jan. on the QE Website: http://www.surreyschools.ca/ 10-17 **Grad Photos** schools/queene **Gr. 9 Immunizations** 26 29 Last Day of Regular Instruction for Semester 1 30-31 Semester Completion Days

Legend: Red = Information Sent Home Blue = Early Dismissal / Pro-D / Holidays

***Watch for upcoming Newsletters on or around these dates: January 2024, March 2024 and June 2024



Bell Schedule 2023-24



Regular Day

08:30 → 9:52am	Period 1
09:57 → 11:15am	Period 2
11:15→12:00pm	Lunch Break
12:00→1:18pm	Period 3
01:23→2:41pm	Period 4

Early Dismissal

08:30 → 9:37am	Period 1
09:42→10:45am	Period 2
10:45→11:30am	Lunch Break
11:30→12:33pm	Period 3
12:38→1:41pm	Period 4

Parent parking, Drop off and Pick up

Parents are asked NOT to drop off or pick up students directly in front of our school's main entrance/corridor or along King George Boulevard. For safety we ask you to move along the west side of the parking lot (past the portable) or park your vehicle in the parking lot to ensure steady flow of traffic coming off King George Boulevard.

Please do not line up on King George Boulevard, in either the slow lane and /or the curb lane, as this is obstructing traffic flow on King George Boulevard.

Also, construction has begun on condominiums behind our school along 94A avenue and 135th street. During the school days, these roads are not easily passible. If you are accustomed to dropping off your student in this area, we encourage you to drop them on the west side of Queen Elizabeth Meadows park, along 135th street instead. It is a very short walk from there to the school and if students are dropped there at 8:20am, there is plenty of time to get to class before school begins.

We thank everyone for their understanding and cooperation!!





SEATS AND SAISTIMITY

Did you know that according to the BC Lung Association, 30% of Canadians report that scents adversely affect their health which can contribute to allergic reactions, respiratory irritations, headaches, irritability, nausea, anxiety, fatigue, depression, and etc...???

There are thousands of products that contain chemical ingredients which provide a "pleasant" scent. They may include the following:

□ Shampoo/Conditioners

☐ Hairsprays

Deodorants

□ Soaps

□ Lotions/Creams

□ Fragrances/Perfumes

□ Cosmetics

Candles

□ Oils

Potpourri

□ Industrial/Household

Chemicals

Air fresheners/

Deodorizers

□ Colognes/Aftershaves

Unfortunately, the "pleasant" scent isn't usually the concern, but rather the chemical ingredient that produces the scent itself.

As a general guideline, only use products that:

- 1. Are labelled either "scent-free, unscented, or fragrance-free" and
- 2. Remember, your nose is a reliable resource to confirm it.

CREATE AN ACCOUNT NOW AND BE READY FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR FEES! PAYMENTS ONLINE ARE MANDATORY FOR THE 2023/2024 SCHOOL YEAR!





Fast. Safe. Convenient

Are you a School Cash Online Member?

Become a member today!

Follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account today.

Create Your Profile:

Go to https://district.schoolcashonline.com/_and click on "Get Started Today".

2 Confirm Your Email:

Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.

3

Add a Student

Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.

Stay connected by selecting "Yes" to email notifications about upcoming fees.

 I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.

Why join the thousands of School Cash Online members?

School Cash Online is an online parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school activity fees. Why join?

- Membership is free!
- Pay for you child's school fees online. Anytime, anywhere.
- Stop sending money to school with your child.
- Get automatic email notifications about upcoming school fees and
- Help your school reduce the amount of cash coming through school doors.

Purchase these items and more online.

Use your computer, tablet or smartphone to register and pay online.



Which payment methods are accepted?

Credit Card, Debit Card or

eCheck.

An electronic version of a paper check used to make payments online. Anyone with a checking or savings account can pay by eCheck on School Cash Online

myWallet



An online wallet that can be loaded to hold funds and then used to pay for your child's fees on School Cash Online, my Wallet allows you to allocate funds to pay for school fees at a later date.

How to use myWallet

- Go to your district's School Cash Online portal URL (https://swreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/)
- Click the "Sign Into Your Account: button and enter your email and password to access your account.
- Select the myWallet tab, click "Add Funds to myWallet" and use eCheque to load funds into your myWallet account (may take up to 7 days for funds to become available
- Then add all items to the shopping cart, select check out option and select my Wallet payment method.

For more information contact parent Helpdesk at parenthelpdesk@schoolcashonline.com or 1-866-961-1803

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Dear Students/Parents/Guardians:

The Surrey School District has implemented the MyEducationBC (MyEdBC) Family Portal for Parents and Guardians.

The portal can be accessed at: https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do

In the Portal students, parents and guardians with an account can view:

- class attendance information
- contact information
- some classroom assessment information
- student schedules
- student course requests for next year
- school information
- published report cards
- a school web page that contains resources and information for parents and students

Security

MyEdBC is a secure student information system used in most school districts in the province of BC. Security is guided by the rules and regulations of the School Act and Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA). If you have any questions or concerns please contact your school principal.

Log In

If you do have a MyEd Account or are unable to login, please email the school at queenelizabeth@surreyschools.ca and an account will be created for you. You will then receive an email from the SIS Admin, containing your log in (your email) and temporary password. (Please check your junk email). Please follow the attached Family Portal User Instructions for logging in and please ensure you have logged into the MyEd portal to view you child's progress.

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Mr. B Ranu

Principal

Queen Elizabeth's Parent Advisory Council — PAC PLEASE JOIN US!!

The School Act gives parents the right, through a PAC (Parent Advisory Council), to assume an advisory role in every school. The PAC is the officially recognized collective voice of parents and guardians of the school. PACs are forums within each school community to discuss matters affecting their children's school and the education of these children. Parents' voices are a tremendous value to the school. They offer a wealth of ideas and support in the challenges that face all public schools. PACs strive to represent the diversity within their communities and contribute to the benefit of all students by providing opportunities to educate and inform parents about the school and openly discussing parents' concerns and aspirations for the school.

<u>Who Can Become a Member of PAC</u>? — All parents and guardians of students registered in the school are able to participate as a member of the PAC.

<u>How Does a PAC Work</u>? — Through the parents in the school, PACs communicate with their parent community gathering and discussing issues of importance regarding their school in order to adequately advise those that influence their school. In addition to monthly PAC meetings, communication may also be done through newsletters, telephone, email and websites so that all parents have the opportunity for input. PACs, with strong participation from parents, have an important influence on life at the school and the feelings the community has toward the school and education. There is strong evidence that increased parent involvement in the school results in increased student achievement, accomplishment, satisfaction, and bonding all of which result in decreased dropout rates and better citizen.

The Purpose of a PAC can be:

- to provide parents with the opportunity to gain greater understanding of the school;
- to assist the SPC in carrying out its function;
- to give input into school- based decisions;
- to participate in goal setting;
- to unify efforts of the school community towards the goal of quality education;
- to monitor and review school rules and conduct, the safety programs, the educational programs; learning materials, equipment and the school building;
- to educate parents;
- to advocate equal educational opportunities for all students;
- to liaise with other education partners and organizations; and
- to provide methods to resolve problems between the school and community by directing parents and students to the Advocacy project.

<u>Your Involvement</u>! — Parents are encouraged and invited to bring forth issues, suggestions, or concerns relating to the meeting and enhancement of the needs of your school community.

These issues can be brought forth by contacting a PAC executive member, sending a letter to the school addressed to a member of the PAC executive, or attending a PAC meeting.

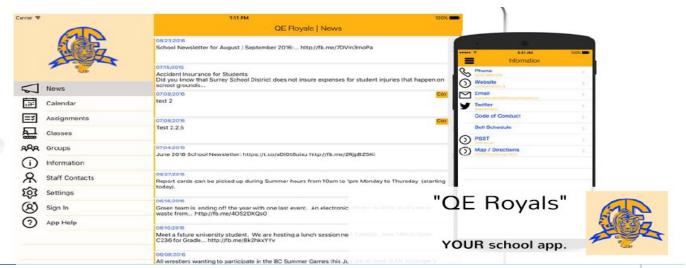
The PAC is NOT a forum to discuss individual students and/or staff problems or conflicts

Next PAC meeting is TBA

THE QE Royals App!

The QE Royals App is an opportunity for students and parents to find out the following, all on your cell phone, tablet or computer:

- Important updates and notifications about school events.
- · Personalized student calendar, block schedule and homework organizer with daily reminders
- Information phone numbers, school information, information from teachers, websites and social media all in ONE place.





DO IT YOUR WAY.

Get your important updates via app notifications, emails, or text messages.



STAY UP-TO-DATE.

Information from teacher websites, social media, and much more in ONE place.



STAY ORGANIZED.

Personalized calendar, block schedule, and a homework organizer with daily reminders.



TAKE IT WITH YOU.

Important phone numbers, school info, and websites in one place on your phone & tablet.

GET THE APP! Available on the Google Play

iPhone/iPad/iPod Touch/Android:

Open your web browser. Type "qeroyals.appazur.com". Tap the "App Store"/"Google Play" button.

OR:

Open the "App Store"/"Google Play" app. Search for "QE Royals". Tap Install (Android) / Get (iPhone/iPad) - it's free!

Windows/Mac:

Type "qeroyals.appazur.com" into your Chrome/Firefox/Safari/Edge browser.

GET STARTED!!

Install the app.

In the menu, tap "Sign In". Here, you can "Sign Up" for a personal account, or "Sign In" using your school account if applicable.

Tap "Classes" in the menu, then tap the gear to select your classes.

Tap "Groups" in the menu, then tap the gear to select your clubs, teams, and other groups that you belong to.

In the menu, tap the gear with your name next to it, and pick how you want your notifications.







PLEASE BE SURE TO LOG IN TO YOUR PARENT AND STUDENT PORTALS IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

** Report cards are no longer being printed **

STEP 1







USE A COMPUTER!

STEP 2

- 1. GO TO MYED BC
- LOGIN ID YOUR STUDENT NUMBER. Parent login id is full email address of parent on file
- 3. CLICK "I FORGOT MY PASSWORD".
- MYED WILL EMAIL** YOU A <u>NEW</u> TEMPORARY PASSWORD

MyEducation BC Prod B Login ID Your Student Number Password Your Personal Password 1 bright try password Log On disk has I re begin personal

STEP 3

- LOGIN TO YOUR SURREYSCHOOLS.CA EMAIL (SAME USER/MAME & PASSWORD YOU USE FOR PRESHISPADE AND TO LOGION TO A SCHOOL COMPUTER)
- 2. YOU WILL SEE AN EMAIL FROM MYED BC
- THIS EMAIL WILL HAVE YOUR TEMPORARY PASSWORD.

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STEP 4

- 1. GO TO MYED BC
- 2. YOUR LOGIN ID IS YOUR STUDENT NUMBER
- 3. TYPE IN YOUR NEW TEMPORARY PASSWORD SLOWLY!



STEP 5

- 1. MYED WILL ASK YOU TO CHOOSE A NEW PASSWORD
- 2. READ EXACTLY HOW MYED WANTS YOU TO PUT IN YOUR NEW PASSWORD!
- 3. SLOWLY TYPE IN YOUR NEW PASSWORD!
- WRITE YOUR NEW PASSWORD DOWN & KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE!

Please be sure to change your primary email to a personal email like gmail. That way you can reset your password if your forget it or lose it. Click on your NAME on top right of screen; click SET PREF; click SECURITY tab; change primary email to a personal email*

Criteria to reset a new Password must be followed:

- · 8 minimum, 14 maximum characters
- 1 capital letter, 1 lowercase letter
- 1 number
- 1 special symbol or character: # or \$ or ! or @
- Your password cannot contain, first name, middle name, last name, date of birth, personal id or sequential letters or numbers
- Samples of acceptable password: Jan2017\$/Snow999!/Welcome1\$

Athletics

FALL SPORTS

Thank you to all coaches who are volunteering their time. Without their assistance, there would be no teams running. The following sports are played in the Fall Season:

TEAM	Coach(es)
Grade 8 Girls Volleyball	Ms. Hartman, Ms. Nazem
Grade 8 Boys Volleyball	Mr. Quatua
Junior (9/10) Girls Volleyball	Ms. Bains, Ms. Hayer
Junior (9/10) Boys Volleyball	Mr. Quetua
Senior Girls Volleyball	Ms. Krepp
Senior Boys Volleyball	Mr. White, Mr. Barrera
Grade 8 Boys Soccer	Mr. Badwal
Junior Boys Soccer	Ms. Klein
Senior Boys Soccer	Ms. Calbick/Bowie
Swimming	Mr. Wakelin/Ms. Munro
Cross Country	Mrs. Muirhead

For up-to-date JUNIOR volleyball, soccer, and cross-country game and meet schedules please visit:

<u>https://www.sssaa.ca/fall-sports/</u> or Google SSSAA (Surrey School Sports Athletic Association)
<u>Senior Volleyball Schedules, please visit:</u>

http://www.southfraservolleyball.com/t2-boys-schedule/http://www.southfraservolleyball.com/t2-girls-east-schedule/

or Google South Fraser Volleyball Commission

Senior Soccer Schedules:

https://www.sfsoccer.ca/standings-and-schedules/aaa-boys or

Google South Fraser Athletic Association (SFAA)

Winter Sports:

Basketball (8,9,Jr., Sr.—Boys and Girls)

Wrestling (at all grade levels—Boys and Girls)

Try-outs usually begin in mid-November—listen to announcements for more information.

A huge congratulations to Mr. Klein, Mrs. Calbick, Mrs. Muirhead, Mr. Badwal and Mr. Bowie for the huge win of



\$10,000 for QE!

CAREER DEVELOPMENT AT QE STAFF

Leesha Nikkanen – Career Department Facilitator, Department Head Megan McGarry – Career Department Facilitator Shawna DeConti – Career Centre Assistant

CAREER CENTRE LOCATION: Room A150

For more information, please visit our website: https://www.surreyschools.ca/queene/page/9443/ career-education

The Career Department has many roles and responsibilities. We assist students with topics such as:

- Career development
- Co-Ops
- District Partnership Programs
- Post-secondary& career exploration field trips
- Scholarships
- Volunteer coordination

Career Development Dates to remember:

We host many events and workshops throughout the year.

Here are some highlights of what's coming up in the next month:

- October 11 GR 12 How to release your Transcripts Gr. 12's Library @ lunch
- November 1 Gr. 9's Take Our Kids To Work Day MANDATORY

The Royal Café

The Royal Café operated under the direction of Chef Thomas and the Culinary Assistant Logan Berka. The Culinary Arts Students are proudly preparing delicious, nutritious menu creations and are ecstatic to be open and selling their wares to staff and students during the school lunch once again. The Royal Cafe endeavors to buy certified Halal Products whenever possible.

The menu features:

- * Daily Soup \$4.00 (usually vegetarian)
- Daily Hot Lunch Special \$8.00 (vegetarian option available)
- * Cheese Pizza \$6.00
- * Pepperoni, Vegetarian or Butter Chicken Pizza \$7.00
- Baked Fries or Baked Wedges \$4.00
- * Assorted Cold Sandwiches \$.5.00 (Egg, Tuna, Turkey, Ham, Roast Beef, Moroccan Chicken)
- * Assorted Salads- Market price (Tossed Green, Greek, Caesar, Pasta)
- * Assorted Cold Drinks (Milk to go 2% \$1.00 Chocolate Milk \$1.50, Juice \$1.00, Ice Tea \$2.00, Sparkling Water \$2.0, Jones Soda \$3.00)
- * Hot Drinks (Hot Chocolate \$2.00, Small Coffee or Tea \$1.50, Large Coffee or Tea \$2.00)

Some of our most popular hot lunch items include:

- * Spicy Chicken or Spicy Tofu Sandwich with Fries
- * Butter Chicken or Paneer with Rice
- Fish & Chips or Battered Marinated Tofu & Chips
- * Beef Kefta or Falafel Pita with Fries
- Chicken or Halloumi Souvlaki with Greek potatoes and Greek Salad
- Baked Salmon with Mango Salsa, Roasted Corn and Wild Rice
- Oven Roasted Tomato Pesto Panini with Fries

Hopefully we have whetted your appetite and look forward to serving the Staff and Students.

Thank you for your continued support of School.



the Culinary Arts Program at Queen Elizabeth Secondary

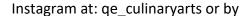
You can follow the Royal Café on scanning the QR code below!



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The Royal Café





Queen Elizabeth Secondary is going to...

Costa Rica

In March 2024







Queen Elizabeth has partnered with EF Educational Tours to bring students the trip of a lifetime. Join us for the tour: Discover Costa Rica

Watch our planet's endless geological drama in action, from the Arenal Volcano to the thunderous La Fortuna Waterfall. Take a tour of a coffee plantation, zipline through the rainforest, and discover an array of exotic plant and animal life. Over on the Caribbean Coast, snorkel with the fish, discover multicultural communities and enjoy Cahuita National Park.

Enroll before April 14th, 2023 for \$150 off the tour!

Once enrolled, a pre-departure meeting will take place at the school. Stay tuned for more details

Ready to enroll on the trip?! Scan the QR code to view the itinerary and enroll ->

Contact Mr. Glenister for more info



GEOGRAPHY 12 & EARTH SCIENCE 11 FIELD TRIP TO VANCOUVER ISLAND PACIFIC MARINE CIRCLE ROUTE

SOOKE, COMOX, RENFREW, COWICHAN, HORNE LAKE & TRENT RIVER FOSSIL/PACIFIC CIRCLE



















FIELD TRIP

The BASES Department visited the Dinosaurs Around the World exhibit at Guildford Mall on Tuesday.

A great time was had by everyone and the students learned some new facts about their favourite dinosaurs.



Inter A Retreat 2023





