

NEWSLETTER

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	1 5:30 p.m. - Meet the Teacher	2	3	4
7 Labour Day	8 First Day of School	9	10	11 1pm - Zumba Class
14	15 1 pm - Library	16 Happy Birthday Chioke! Scholastic book orders due.	17	18 1pm - Zumba Class
21	22 9:30 a.m. - Comic Café with Mickey Eves	23 1pm - Music 1 Homework Due	24 1 pm - Music 2 Spelling Test	25 PA Day
28	29 Photo Day	30 1pm - Music 1	October 1 1 pm - Music 2 Homework Due	2 1pm - Zumba Class Spelling Test

Welcome Back!

I am looking forward to the year ahead. Our class has grown again with the addition of our new grade one students Karmin, Louie and Olivia as well as a new grade three student, Nathan. A warm welcome to our new and returning students!



"Me" Bags - Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Each day this week I'd like every student to place one item of importance to them in their white "me" bags. The bags will go home at the end of each day so that a new item can be placed in the bag for the next day. The students will present their item and talk about why it is important to them. It could be a souvenir from a summer vacation trip, a ribbon/trophy, a book, rock, certificate, picture or any other treasure.

Forms

Several forms have been sent home; if you would please sign and return them as soon as possible it would be appreciated. All families should have received an *Emergency Medical* form, a *September Hot Lunch* form, an *Elementary Consent for Transportation* form, and grade one students received a *Let's Get Acquainted* form.

Classroom Celebrations and the Birthday Book Program

Attached you will find a *Classroom Celebrations* note; please mark the date you have been assigned on your calendar. We are continuing with our Birthday Book program again this year to help celebrate birthdays and other special events. Participation in the Birthday Book program is optional.

Photo Day

Tuesday, September 29th is our photo day. Please ensure you dress your child ready for pictures!

Music

Music for grade one and two students starts the week of September 21st and runs until the end of January. Music homework is assigned each week and is expected to be completed by music class the following week. Grade one students have music on Wednesday and grade two students have music on Thursday. Beginning in February, grade three students will participate in a weekly music/drama class on Wednesday afternoons.

Scholastic Book Orders

QMA participates in the Scholastic Book Club program. Each month book order forms will be sent home with your child. You are not required to purchase books, however, it is a great opportunity as it gives the children a sense of ownership and encourages them to read. If you wish to purchase book, please tick off the form on the back of the Book Club pamphlet and send exact change or a cheque made payable to Scholastic Canada.



Save Your Pop-Tabs for Wheelchairs

A jar will come home for you to save your pop can tabs in. Once your jar is full, send it in and your child will add it to our collection. We filled a water cooler sized bottle last year and hope to do the same this year with your continued support.

Upcoming events:

Fire Drill

During the month of September we will practice exiting from the school in the event of a fire. We will review safety procedures and conduct practice fire drills.

Comic Café with Mickey Eves

Mickey Eves is an author/illustrator who loves to inspire creativity in children. She will spend the morning with us on Tuesday, September 22nd conducting a hands-on workshop on how to create comics and comic book characters.

Please feel free to contact me at anytime via email or phone should you have any questions and/or concerns. I look forward to working with your children; I truly feel it is a privilege.

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