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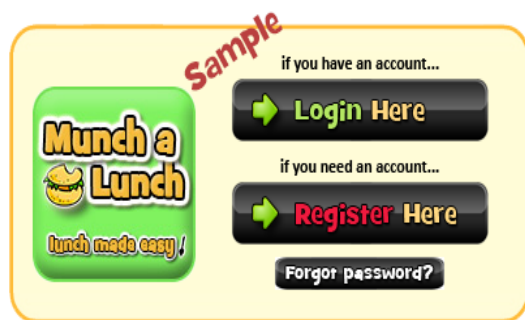
We are honoured to be working and learning together on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm | Musqueam, Skwxwú7mesh | Squamish & səliłwətaʔ | Tsleil-Waututh Nations. Queen Mary acknowledges the history of our community and neighbourhood.

Wednesday Hot Lunch with Calhoun's Catering

Queen Mary will be offering Hot Lunch on Wednesdays in May and June (starting on Wed. May 11th). Lunch will be prepared and delivered by Calhoun's Catering. Parents/Guardians can place their hot lunch orders online using an online system called Munch a Lunch. All protocols pertaining to Health, Safety and FoodSafe will be followed.

Here is how to Register:

1. Go to:
<https://munchalunch.com/schools/queenmaryvan>
2. Click the "Register Here" button (as shown below). The system will guide you through
3. After adding your child(ren), click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order
4. The next time you place an order, click the "Login Here" button to access your account.



ORDERING DETAILS:

- Online ordering will be available starting on April 29th.
- If you need assistance with ordering, or do not have access to the internet, please contact mdavies@vsb.bc.ca
- Choose as many or as few days as you like!
- Send cutlery to school with your child.
- If your child is ill on a hot lunch date, you are welcome to pick up their lunch at 1:10pm. Refunds are not available.
- We appreciate your support! The hot lunch program is a Queen Mary fundraiser!

Important Upcoming Dates

- May 5 Big One at Two Earthquake Drill (District-wide)
- May 10 Tennis Lessons begin (6 lessons/class in May)
- May 10 PAC Meeting (7:00pm Zoom)
- May 11 Hot Lunch begins
- May 23 Victoria Day – School not in session
- May 30 Bike/Roll or Walk to School Week begins
- May 31 Welcome to Kindergarten (for our incoming Ks)
- June 17 Grade 7 Recognition Assembly (time TBD)
- June 22 Last day of Hot Lunch from Calhoun's
- June 28 Sports Day
- June 29 Last day of school for students

Edge Imaging Class Composites

Recently, students brought home a flyer from Edge Imaging with information on how to order individual student photos and/or a class composite (group class photos and team photos will not be taken this year). For more information, or to order photos, please visit the Edge Imaging website -

<https://edgeimaging.ca/en/>

Managing Screen Time

For years, Saleema Noon has been educating people of all ages in the fields of sexual health, assertiveness, internet safety, healthy relationships, body image and consent.

Her latest resource, [A Drama Free Strategy for Managing Screen Time](#), focuses on screen time – what we know and don't yet fully understand, what to consider regarding how screens are used (personally and within our families), creating family agreements, what to consider before/when providing a child with their own phone/device and things that adults can say when talking to children about screen time, devices, online content and more!

Find Saleema's practical resource (and many others) here –

<https://www.saleemanoon.com/resources/smart-things-to-say/>

Driving and Parking Near QM

Families and students are encouraged to walk to and from Queen Mary each day! Even when driving to school, a vehicle can be parked 2-3 blocks away from the school and students/families can walk the rest of the way! On the occasions when families must drop off or pick up a child on Trimble Street (between 4th Ave and 8th Ave), please adhere to road signs and the rules of the road (follow parking and stopping regulations, speed limits, traffic signs and laws pertaining to turns, reversing, U-Turns etc).

Whenever possible, please avoid drop off and pick up on 6th Avenue (east of Trimble) near Quadra Daycare – this area is a high pedestrian area and Quadra families need access to the daycare.

To use the Designated Accessible Parking areas on Trimble St and 6th Ave, vehicles MUST display a valid SPARC permit AND require the space for a current passenger (ie the permit holder) to safely access our school. For more information about accessible parking within the City of Vancouver please visit:

<https://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/accessible-parking-rules.aspx>.

Drivers who are not following road signs or the laws pertaining to parking and driving in Vancouver may be ticketed and/or towed.

Please contact the school if you would like to support our community by monitoring and directing traffic during drop off and pick up times at Queen Mary.

2022 Summer Learning Update

- VSB’s Summer Learning Program information is now available on the VSB Summer Learning webpage - https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Learning/Summer_Sessions/Pages/default.aspx
- Registration opens May 9th and closes June 10th.
- Registrations after June 10th will be done manually and require permission.
- Non-VSB students will have the opportunity to register for Summer Learning with a later registration date of May 17th.
- This year, academic courses will be the focus - French Immersion, School of the Arts or Skills Development courses (i.e. sports-based skills courses) will not be offered.
- First Peoples English 11 & 12 and BC First Peoples 12 will be offered.
- Elementary Summer Learning is being offered at 6 sites –



School	Start and End	Sites
Elementary	July 4- July 22 Students start on July 5 th .	Henderson Mount Pleasant Nootka Tecumseh Trafalgar Van Horne



Queen Mary’s Code of Conduct

We respect everyone’s learning by respecting ourselves, others and our surroundings.



Queen Mary’s Mission Statement is to build a respectful community of lifelong learners. We work towards becoming caring, accomplished & cooperative citizens. We aim to provide an enriched environment in which children are encouraged to think, question, create & wonder.