



Queen Mary Cardinal



FROM THE OFFICE:

Time flies when you're having fun! It's hard to believe that we have already completed 4 weeks of school. Thank you to everyone for working together to make Queen Mary a great place for our students, staff, parents, and community partners.

Our Office Staff includes: Mr. N. Frankovich (Principal); Ms. M. Elliott (Vice Principal); Ms. A. Brown and Mrs. K. Cooper, Office Administrators. The Office can be a very busy place during morning entry, nutrition breaks and at dismissal, so we are asking for your cooperation with the following:

1. **School begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:20 p.m.** Please ensure that all of our students arrive on time to join their class line on the playground. Students arriving after 9:00 a.m. can feel anxious about entering the classroom after morning routines are already underway. It is important for all of us to begin and end our school days together.

2. From time to time, we understand that appointments are made during the school day. When students arrive late, they need to be **signed-in** at the office and we will get them safely to class. We ask that parents not bypass the main office at any time during the day. Although you are not a stranger to your own children, you are a stranger to many others and we need to know who is in our building and what the purpose of the visit is. When students are picked up early for appointments, they need to be **signed-out** at the office and we will call for your child to make their way down to the office once you have arrived.

3. Our students must wear a Queen Mary collared shirt. These are available for purchase at JML located at 95 Parkdale Avenue North.

UPCOMING DATES

Oct. 4	Meet the Teacher Night Barbecue 4:30 pm-6:30 pm
Oct. 5	World Teacher Day
Oct. 6	Food Day - Sub Day
Oct. 9	Thanksgiving Holiday - NO SCHOOL
Oct. 11	Cross Country at Christie Conservation
Oct. 20	Food Day - TBD

On October 5th we celebrate **World Teachers Day** to celebrate the teachers and the role they play providing quality education for children and adults. Thank you Queen Mary teachers for all you do for our students.

October 2017

STUDENTS WITH PERMISSION TO LEAVE SCHOOL

A BREAK TIMES: A large number of our Intermediate students were given parental permission to leave school at Nutrition Break #2. The expectation is that the students are going home for lunch then returning to school. Many students are ending up at the park across the street. Parents need to know that the park is an unsupervised area. Please review your expectations as a parent with your child to ensure that they are following what you instructed them to do. Please also remember if the student leaves for lunch they are not permitted to return into the school until the bell goes at 1:40 p.m.

SCHOOL TELEPHONES: Parents are invited to telephone the school to leave messages for staff or to ask questions of our office staff. **Emergency Messages only will be permitted to be passed on to students.** Arrangements for students to visit friends, plans for lunch, afterschool babysitting etc. must be made with parents in advance of the school day.

Grade 3-8 Cross country practices take place every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. The meet takes place on October 11th at Christie Conservation area.

Grade 6-8 boys and girls are currently trying out for volleyball teams. The season starts the week of October 10th.

Swim Team has started back up for grade 3, 4 and 5 students! Our practices will take place on October 2, 16, 23 and 30th. Our swim meet will be in November.

Professor Jamz is coming back on October 27th to host a Dance-A-Thon for all grades. Pledge forms will be sent out after October 2nd. Pledge forms will be sent out after October 2nd. All money raised will support our athletic and arts programs.

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Interaction with a gentle and friendly animal has shown to help decrease anxiety, provide comfort, and build empathy skills. Periodically, Ms. Wiggins will be bringing her dog to school to provide the opportunity for students having difficulty at school to have controlled, supervised visits with a loving pet in a contained, calming environment.