



QUEEN VICTORIA

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NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome Back!

Welcome back students and families! We missed you! We recognize that coming back to school in these unprecedented times was perhaps a difficult decision. We want to assure parents that we are following all Public Health protocols and are always keeping your child's safety a priority. At school we have been teaching new routines and educating all students on the 4 keys to keeping ourselves and others safe. The four keys are:

- Washing our hands (before and after entering a classroom, before and after eating, before and after outdoor play/learning)
- Physical Distancing—Both inside and on the playground
- Wearing a mask—Caring for it and wearing it properly
- Staying home if you feel sick or telling someone at school if you don't feel well

The staff all agree that our students did a **fantastic job** this first week with learning the new routines, wearing their masks, and trying to maintain social distancing. Thank you to all our parents because we know the success this week had a lot to do with your guidance at home. Thank you! Home and school needs to continue to work together this year to help keep everyone safe.

Make sure you are following our twitter account [@qvhwsb](https://twitter.com/qvhwsb) for important updates and school news. You can also subscribe to our **school website at www.hwdsb.on.ca/queenvictoria/**

Parking Lot:

Please do not use our front parking lot to drop off or pick-up your child(ren). It is a designated fire lane and it will be closed off everyday from 8:10am until 3:20pm. Please do not remove the pylons. We need to keep our children safe. Thank you

SCHOOL NEWS

Forms, Forms, & More Forms

Please make sure that you have completed an attestation form for every one of your children and that you are screening your children every morning for COVID related symptoms. Please do not send your children to school if they are feeling unwell. This year all emergency forms will be completed on-line through the Parent Portal. We will have more information on how to access these forms in the upcoming week.

Hand Sanitizer:

Students may bring their own bottle of hand sanitizer to keep at their desk or in their backpack. The bottle must not be larger than 60 ml.

Mask Exemption:

If your child is unable to wear a mask due to medical reasons, please fill out the mask exemption form on-line and contact the school principal to discuss. Thank you.

Safe Arrival & Lates:

Please contact the school using our safe arrival program if your child will be absent from school. All students arriving after the bell will go directly to their classroom. Parents are not permitted to enter the school building. If your child is to be excused before the end of the school day, please call the office to report this. We are not using paper agendas this year so communication will have to be through the phone or email.

Being on-time and ready to learn is fundamental to student success.

Fundraising, Pizza, School Store:

Due to COVID, all fundraising, pizza days, milk, and school store has been suspended until further notice.