



Queen Elizabeth Public School

June 2025



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www.stsco.ca

Principal's Message

Hello Queen Elizabeth families!

As we approach the end of another school year, I want to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone—**staff, students, and families**—who have contributed to making this year such a success. It continues to be a genuine pleasure to serve this incredible school community.

A special thank you goes out to all the **parent and guardian volunteers** who supported our students and staff throughout the year. Whether you joined us on school trips or helped with extracurricular activities, your time and dedication have made a meaningful difference. I'd also like to recognize the outstanding work of our **School Council**. Your commitment and involvement help shape the vibrant and inclusive environment we're so proud of at Queen Elizabeth. The Council is always looking for new members, so please consider joining us at our **first meeting in September** to share your voice and ideas.

Report cards will be sent home in the coming weeks. I encourage you to take a few moments with your child to celebrate their achievements and reflect on goals for the year ahead. As always, we remain committed to providing a caring, inclusive environment with high academic standards—where every child is supported and encouraged to succeed.

Thank you once again for your continued support and partnership. From my family to yours, I wish you a safe, relaxing, and joyful summer break. I look forward to seeing everyone back in September!

Yours in partnership,

Drew Beaton
Principal

Upcoming Events

June 2nd – School Council Meeting at @6:30pm – Meeting Link: https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/drew_beaton

June 9th – PA Day

June 10th – Intermediate Ultimate Frisbee

June 11th – Room 204 trip to Riverview Park and Zoo

June 17th – Grad Trip to Wonderland

June 20th – Kerr/Moroney Outdoor Day

June 21st – National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 23rd – Grade 8 Graduation and Clap Out

June 25th – Report Cards Go Home

June 26th – Last day of School

June is “Strawberry Moon” – Fode’Mini-Giizis (Anishinaabe First Nation)



Character Trait for June: Perseverance

"It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer." - Albert Einstein

Passport to Reconciliation

What is the Passport to Reconciliation?

In November 2021, the Indigenous Education Department at KPRDSB introduced the “Passport to Reconciliation.” This initiative recognizes that everyone in KPR has a role to play in the process of Reconciliation. Each month, we share a new learning focus related to Indigenous Education, as outlined in the Passport.

For the month of June, our focus is on **Indigenous Community**.

EQAO

The Grade 3 and 6 provincial testing took place at Queen Elizabeth in May, and our students in both grades demonstrated exceptional effort. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them!

QE Fun Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to support our first-ever Fun Fair!

With the dedication of our incredible volunteers—including staff, students, and Parent Council—we raised over \$1,600 for our Special Education Fund. These funds will help purchase equipment to enhance programming for many students in our school.

We had more than 670 tickets entered into the prize draws! Congratulations to our lucky winners: Hailey R, Keira N, Nick, Keegan P, Huson P, Lily R, Tysen M, Amelia M, Spencer S, Elliott P, Seeratay D, Will M, Rory G, Jessica H, Levi F, Olivia K, Noah P, Raelynn H, Alexia H, Emily G, Sharla C, Alison M, Muhammed D, and Sydney G.

Thank you once again for making our Fun Fair such a memorable and successful event!

Safe Arrival

Important Notice: Reporting Student Absences

If your child will be absent from school for any reason, please use your SchoolMessenger account to notify us of the absence. If we are not informed of a student's absence, our safe arrival program will contact you to clarify the reason for the absence. Additionally, if your child arrives late to school, please ensure they are signed in at the main office.

For those who have not yet registered for SchoolMessenger to report absences online, here are the instructions:

- To create a new account and register your children for the automated system, please visit www.studentabsence.kprdsb.ca
- If you prefer using the mobile app, search for "SchoolMessenger" (one word) on the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store.
- Once registered, you can inform the school of your child's upcoming absences using any of the following methods:
 - www.studentabsence.kprdsb.ca
 - Call 1-844-434-8119
 - Use the SchoolMessenger mobile app on your cell phone or tablet.

Thank you for your cooperation in reducing our secretarial workload and ensuring the safety of our students.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2024/2025 School Year



Your child can begin Kindergarten in September 2025, as follows:

Junior Kindergarten – your child is four years of age by December 31st, 2025

Senior Kindergarten – your child is five years of age by December 31st, 2025

Registration for September 2025 is now open!

Online registration - Click here [Registration Form](#) and register TODAY!

Online registration allows parents to sign up for Kindergarten using any device connected to the Internet, any day of the week, and any time of day. It's easy, fast, and convenient.

First, create an account using your email address. Then, complete the fillable fields, providing all of the information requested. Once complete, the form is sent to the school for review. The school secretary receives the registration form and checks for completeness and accuracy. The form may be sent back and forth between the parent/guardian and school until the form is complete.

Once the form is complete, parents/guardians will need to visit the school to provide the following information:

- Birth certificate.
- Proof of address
- Citizen verification
- Custody documents (if applicable).

Parents will receive a Kindergarten Registration Package when they visit the school, containing a welcome letter, a book, information about busing, and strategies to support a successful start to school.

If you do not wish to register online, please print, and complete the following form.

[PDF Version of our Registration Form](#) - Please print, then bring the completed form to your school. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 705-742-6331. We also ask that you share this information with friends, relatives, or neighbours.

Grade 8 Clap Out & Graduation

We are excited to celebrate our Grade 8 graduates with three special events on Monday, June 23rd!

- **Breakfast** – 9:30 a.m. in the Library
- **Clap-Out Ceremony** – 10:45 a.m., where students, staff, and parents will line the hallways to cheer on our graduates as they walk through the school one final time
- **Photos with Families** – 5:30 p.m.
- **Graduation Ceremony** – 6:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium (**Reminder:** Please bring your numbered tickets)

Join us at 6:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium for the official Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony, where we will honour our students as they take the next step in their journey.

We hope to see you there as we celebrate this important milestone together!

A Very Fond Farewell

At this time, we would like to take this opportunity to thank and say farewell to some of our teachers that are either retiring or moving on to new professional opportunities at different schools next year. Our gratitude goes out to Ms. Fenno, Ms. Spring, Ms. Henderson, Ms. Moroney, Ms. Farazfar and Ms. Houston for their ongoing efforts on behalf of our students over their time at Queen Elizabeth. They have all been tireless and dedicated at Queen Elizabeth and they will certainly be missed by students, staff, and parents alike. We wish them all the very best!

We are also very sad to be saying farewell to some of our support staff this year. Our gratitude goes out to Ms. Vogt, Ms. Young, Ms. Thornley and Mr. Berani who have routinely gone above and beyond what was expected of them in the service of our students. They will all be greatly missed – and we wish them the very best in their future endeavours!

Class Organization and Teacher Assignments for September 2025

As of this time, the organization for the 2025/2026 school year is as follows. Please note that staff and organizational changes may occur at any point up until the end of September 2025.

JK/SK	I. Talapatra/W. Booth
SK/1	A. Keller/J. Lockett
Grade 1/2	S. Palmer
Grade 2/3	A. Nowicki
Grade 3/4	B. Volgyi
Grade 4/5	I. Reid
Grade 6/7	J. Biederman
Grade 7/8	TBA
LLS A	B. Shaw

LLS B
SERT - Resource Teacher
Core French
Library/Planning Time
Planning Teacher

M. Williams
S. Mason
C. Phillips
D. Weatherdon
T. Kerr

Pizza Lunch Orders



We are happy to share that **Domino's Pizza Lunch** will be available at our school for the 2025/2026 school year. Orders continue to be available for purchase until the end of the school year. Pizza lunches are every Thursday unless it is a PA Day or a Holiday. Orders are due the Sunday before the pizza lunch and can be found on your **SchoolCash Online** items page.

How to Order:

1. Go to your child's SchoolCash Online account items page and click "ORDER NOW".
2. Confirm your child's account information including their teacher and grade for the current school year.
**Please ensure the correct teacher and grade are selected to prevent errors on delivery days.
3. Proceed with ordering your child's pizza lunch.
4. All orders are submitted on the website and payment is processed online.

Things to Remember:

- The Pizza Lunch ordering deadline is by end of day Sunday for the upcoming week's deliveries.
- New orders will not be accepted after the Sunday deadline.
- If there is a school closure, lunches will be cancelled, and a credit will be issued to your account

Popcorn Orders



Kernels Popcorn is delivered every Tuesday at Queen Elizabeth! Orders are available for purchase until the end of the school year. Popcorn can be ordered through School Cash Online for \$2.50/bag.

There will be 7 flavours to choose from: Butter Salt, Dill Pickle, Ketchup, Salt & Vinegar, White Cheddar Cheese, Jalapeno Jack, Creamy Caramel, Say Cheese Cheese, Cheesy Dill, Thai Sweet Chili. Orders must be placed before the Friday the week of the order.

KPR Personal Electronic Device Policy

At Queen Elizabeth, we continue to follow the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board's policy on the use of mobile devices in schools. A mobile device includes any personal electronic device (P.E.D.) that can be used for communication or accessing the Internet, such as a laptop, cellphone, tablet, or smartwatch.

To maintain a focused and engaging learning environment, we ask that all personal mobile devices be turned off and stored out of sight during the school day. If a student needs to contact home, they may request to use the phone in the office. Should there be an urgent need for a student to access their phone during the day, they are encouraged to speak directly with their teacher to find an appropriate solution.

Additionally, we remind parents that electronic games and other toys should not be brought to school, as they can be a significant distraction to learning. The school is not responsible for these items if they are lost or stolen. Your support in helping ensure that students do not bring these items to school is greatly appreciated!

Addressing Bullying at Queen Elizabeth



At Queen Elizabeth, we take the issue of bullying extremely seriously. We believe that everyone has the absolute right to be safe and feel safe at our school, and we consistently strive to create a secure environment for everyone.

For smaller issues, students may receive consequences such as restricted recess times or community service. More serious infractions can result in suspensions. However, research indicates that children sometimes do not report when they are being bullied, so we rely on you for information.

If you ever think your child is either being bullied or is bullying others, please call Mr. Beaton at the school. Your vigilance and communication are crucial in helping us maintain a safe and supportive environment for all students.

Thank you!

Picking and Dropping Off Your Child

Important Reminders for Parents and Guardians

For the safety of all students, please remember that parents and guardians must begin their visit to the school building by coming to the office. Visiting classrooms during the day without permission is not allowed. Additionally, if anyone other than a parent or guardian will be picking up your child(ren), please notify the school in advance. Without prior notification, students must follow the regular arrangements for their departure.

If you need to take your child out of school during school hours for an appointment or any other reason, please arrive at least 10 minutes before the scheduled pick-up time. Upon arrival, use the front door to buzz the office. The secretary or principal will then contact the classroom, and your child(ren) will come to the office. For safety and logistical reasons, we are unable to have students waiting in the office, so please ensure you allow enough

School Council



Our final hybrid School Council meeting for the 2024/ 2025 school year is June 2nd at 6:30, and you can either join us in person in our Library or join by clicking on this WebEx link: https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/drew_beaton. All parents and guardians are welcome to join us – and we greatly appreciate your involvement.

If you'd like to stay informed about what will be discussed during our upcoming School Council meetings, you can find the agendas posted on the School Council page of our school website:

<https://queenelizabeth.kprdsb.ca/Community/School%20Council>

Agendas will be available by the weekend immediately prior to each meeting. For those who are particularly keen, the page also hosts past meeting minutes for your review.

Finally, if you have any comments or questions about School Council matters, we encourage you to reach out!

- **Principal, Mr. Beaton:** drew_beaton@kprdsb.ca
- **School Council Chair, Matt Riley:** mattriley33@hotmail.ca

Thank you for your continued interest and support in our School Council activities!