

*Mission: We connect and inspire. We learn and succeed. We Lead!*

*Vision: We build leaders by igniting a passion for learning in a community of caring and respect.*

## THE QES EAGLES 1ST EVENT

QES is excited about our new mascot, The Eagle. To celebrate and kick off our new mascot we are hosting the first annual Eagles 5K and 1K Fun Run. Our Home and School, Staff and parent volunteers are working tirelessly to make this first event a success. Please help us make this event successful by participating, volunteering or promoting it. The event is on October 13th!



Also, we have established a new code of conduct called "The Eagle Code: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe. We are using this language to teach our students consistent school wide expectations over the first few weeks of school. In addition, we are engaging our students in activities to celebrate diversity, appreciate how our differences make us collectively stronger and we all have strengths and talents worth celebrating. #EaglesSoar!

## SCHOOL MESSENGER: SAFE ARRIVAL

All K-5 schools are using a new Safe Arrival process but we need your help to make it work efficiently ensuring the safety of your children. There are three ways to use the safe arrival program, 1. Downloaded App "SchoolMessenger" 2. Use the

Safe Arrival Webpage: <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> or 3. A toll free phone line: 1-833-219-9065. Please use one of the three options and register your child and then use the system when your child will be late or absent from school. The system went live starting Monday, September 10th. Thank you for your support.



## QES WELCOMES NEW STAFF

We have most of our amazing staff returning for another year and are excited to welcome several terrific new members to the QES team! We welcome Mme. Louise Leger and Mme. Alyssa Parent to Grade 3 FI classes. Mme. Malorie Dobbin teaching a Grade 4/5 FI as well as Mme. Julie Leducq to our Grade 5 FI. In grade 5 Intensive French we have Mme. Rebecca Russell. Also, new to our school this year is Mr. Trevor Shea our Guidance Counsellor on Mon, Wed & Thurs each week. Lastly, our new music teacher join the QES team is Mrs. Barbara Hill. Ms. Jillian Knudson will be part of our team this year filling our School Interventionist Role. We are pleased to have Mrs. Andrea Earle returning to grade 2. Lastly, new educational assistants on the team include: Ms. Megan Sheppard, Ms. Beth Kozlowski, Ms. Elaine Beaman, and Ms. Heather McGinnis.



## IMPORTANT DATES:

- Fri, Sept. 14th - Schoolwide Picture "SOAR"
- Sat, Sept. 15th - #BeccaToldMeToo - Acts of kindness day
- Mon, Sept. 17th - School Library Opens
- Mon, Sept. 17th - 6:30pm PSSC Meeting - all welcome
- Thurs, Sept. 20th - 6:30pm Home and School Meeting - all welcome
- Fri, Sept. 21st - A La Carte Orders Due and Fluoride Starts
- Sept. 24—28 - Yoga Pose Week in PE classes
- Thurs, Sept. 27th - Terry Fox Walk
- Fri, Sept. 28th - School Picture Day
- Fri, Oct. 5th - School EMO Lockdown Practice Drill
- Oct. 9 - 12 Kindergarten Registration Week

QES Habit of the Month: "Be Proactive" This habit promotes the notion of being in charge of ones self and taking responsibility for our actions.

## QUISPAMISIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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# Nut Free School / Allergies

Quispamsis Elementary School has several students who have been diagnosed with a severe, possibly life-threatening allergy to peanuts and/or nuts and peanut/nut products. Exposure to even a very tiny amount of this allergen can cause anaphylactic shock which could result in throat tightness or closing, loss of consciousness *and, possibly, death*. Because peanuts and nut products are such a threat to the safety of these children, it's essential that the *entire* QES community takes seriously the need to eliminate them from the school.

We have informed all families that we are a Nut Free School with the intention of keeping peanuts and nut products completely out of the schools. We thank you for your cooperation with complying with this policy to ensure our students with severe allergies come to school feeling safe and secure. It is important to remind your child that we do not permit food trading due to risks associated with serious allergies. Students know that the food packed from home is safe so that is what we must eat at school.

## HOME AND SCHOOL AND PSSC

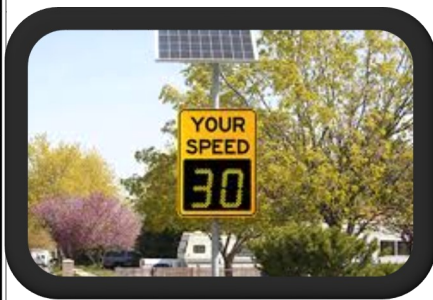
Another year is starting which means our parent volunteer groups are getting into full swing. We have several new members to our committee so we wanted to introduce them to our school community. Please consider reaching out and getting involved in one of our committees and supporting great initiatives at our school. It is great to get involved and our members are amazing and welcome all newcomers.

Home and School - We have a very active Home and School. This group does so much for our school and makes the school experience for our students an excellent one. From fundraising to hot lunch to pancake breakfast to playground improvements they do it all. Our members include: Tara McGraw (President), Becka Ross-Marr (VP), Cherie McMillan (Treasurer), Kelley Prosser (Fundraising), Megan Parkhill (A La Carte), Deborah Irvine-Anderson (Communications)

Pssc - The PSSC group works toward areas of school improvement. The committee reviews and monitors our improvement plan, reviews a variety of school data, participates in the hiring process for the Principal and Vice Principal. The group often pursues priority areas and support school initiatives. Our members include: Nicole Hamming, Monique Lesser, Jen Roberts, Todd Johnson, Kelley Prosser, Nate Hamming, Natalia Baker, Kari Broad.



## Parent School Support Committee - Traffic Victory



During the winter of 2018, the PSSC wrote a letter of concern regarding traffic flow along Hampton Road. Families may remember there was a car accident involving our crossing guard as well. The PSSC is pleased that the Town of Quispamsis followed up on the concern quickly and installed two flashing speed signs along the Hampton Rd. as commuters approach the school zone. In addition, the Town of Quispamsis is reviewing other possible safety messages to support increasing the safety of our children walking to and from school. On behalf of the staff and families of QES, thank you to the members of our Parent School Support Committee for their contributions in improving our school community.

## HEALTHY FOOD POLICY—711

The Province of New Brunswick has rolled out an updated policy called the Healthier School Food Environment Policy. At QES, we are working with an amazing group of volunteers as schools transition towards these new guidelines and as clarification on expectations for school develop. Our current school programs include:

Breakfast Program - an all inclusive program offered each morning at the school in our music room to provide students a nutritious breakfast. Students participate in this program where there is no stigma attached.

A La Carte Program - formerly known as "Hot Lunch" and we will continue to work towards meal options for students that fit within the guidelines of the new policy and several improvements have been made for this fall and we thank our Home and School for all their hard work on behalf of our families.

Noodle Club - is a lunch program offered once a week based on referrals from teachers to our school community coordinator and offered in partnership with Kings Church. Students learn valuable life skills while enjoying