

QUAMICHAN SCHOOL

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Dear parents of our future Grade 8 students,

Greetings from Quamichan! We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the Quamichan school community. As we all know, these are very different times for all of us, and while we are not in a position to do all of our usual transition activities for Grade 7 students, we are still committed to doing our very best to make the move to Quamichan a positive one for your child.

Under normal circumstances, Spring would see us holding a parent information session, and school tours for students. To make up for these important events, we are going to be producing a video designed to inform students and families all about our school. In this video, we will talk about how we structure the learning, and we will showcase all of the things that make Quamichan a special place for kids! This will take a bit of time to produce, but it is something that you can look forward to.

While we are not going to be able to have the face time that we normally have with our future students and their families, please do know the following:

- We are here and we are planning for next year
- We are excited to be welcoming your child when the time comes
- We are flexible and are prepared to make things work given any set of circumstances
- We are friendly, approachable, and wholly committed to easing your child into life at Quamichan and making them feel safe and welcome once they are here
- We have an amazing team of teachers and support staff who will be here to **SUPPORT AND TAKE CARE OF YOUR CHILD!**

Attached to this letter are our registration forms. Please take the time to complete all pages. Forms can be brought back to your elementary feeder school or they can be dropped off at Quamichan. You are also welcome to scan them and email them to our counselling secretary Sherri Crerar at screrar@sd79.bc.ca

With respect to the first page of the registration form, please note that grade 8 students will be sampling all of our exploratory courses through our exploratory program, unless they elect to take Band. Band students will choose their top seven exploratory courses. Students opting to take Band can simply circle their top seven exploratory choices. ***Please complete and return forms by Friday, May 8th.***

We imagine that you probably have **many** questions about us and about our school. We will be giving students the opportunity to ask questions of us through their Grade 7 teachers. Once we gather students' questions, we will put together a Q and A for kids. Over and above that, please know that we are here and available to answer your questions at any time. You can get in touch with us by any of the following means:

- Phone the school at your convenience, either to talk or set up a meeting
- Email us (email addresses are listed below)

Feel free to contact us at any time, even if it just to say hello. **We pride ourselves on being a very welcoming school community and we want to ensure that all students are happy learners.** We are very excited to have your child join our school.

Sincerely,

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