



BICS THIS WEEK: April 17-21, 2023

| The Week Ahead | |
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| Monday | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Division 4 to the Art Gallery ▪ 8:00 AM, Grades 4-7 Open Gym ▪ 12:20 PM, Junior Choir |
| Tuesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BICS PAC BIRD Shift; volunteers needed ▪ 3:45-4:45 PM, Grade 7 Ultimate Game at Ridgeview |
| Wednesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2:45-3:45 PM, Ultimate for Grades 6-7 students ▪ 6-7 PM, PAC Meeting |
| Thursday | |
| Friday | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 12:20 PM, Senior Choir ▪ 2:45 PM, Friday Fun Day Ultimate; open to Grades 5-7 students and families |

| Information, Requests, Reminders | |
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| Jump Rope for Heart | <p>Jump Rope for Heart is in full swing at BICS. This week, there will be <i>most consecutive jump</i> competitions for each grade at recesses and lunches. Students should listen to the announcements to find out when. Thank you to Leadership students for making these opportunities available to students.</p> <p>Many students are participating in fundraising. If your family wishes to participate, you can create a fundraising page or donate here.</p> <p>Our School-Wide Jump Rope for Heart Day will be April 26th.</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 5px; display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="button" value="DONATE"/> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="button" value="REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE"/> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>\$1,274 RAISED</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>\$1,500 GOAL</p> </div> </div> |
| Student-Led Conferences | <p>Student Led Conferences are a great opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom and let your child guide you through some of their progress this year by showing you samples of their recent work as well as comparisons over time. Please click here to sign up for a slot. You may need to use a desktop computer to edit the document.</p> |
| Parent Input for Class Placement | <p>If your child will not be attending BICS next year and you have not already informed the office, please notify Carmen Lane as soon as possible.</p> <p>Over the coming months, BICS teachers will configure students into classes for the 2023-2024 school year. This form is an opportunity for parents to share information they feel should be considered when placing their child for the next school year. This form is optional. Suggestions for helpful feedback are noted in the questions below. It is not appropriate for parents to request a teacher.</p> <p>The class placement process is very complex as teachers consider the individual needs of students as well as group dynamics. When placing students, school personnel consider teachers' observations of individual</p> |

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| | <p>needs and social dynamics, input from support staff, class size and composition (learning and behavior needs, gender), age distribution, and learning styles. Parent feedback is valued and will be considered, but it is important for families to know that there are many other factors that affect the placement of students.</p> <p>Click here for the form. This form will close on Friday, May 12.</p> <div style="background-color: #008080; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Parent Input for Class Placement for the 2023-2024 School Year</p> <p>The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.</p> </div> |
| <p>Reminder: PAC Fundraising Reminders</p> | <p>1. The BICS PAC has one more BIRD refundable recycling shift on April 18. Many hands make for lighter loads and more fun doing it. Please click here to see available shifts. Thank you for helping!</p> <p>2. The Growing Smiles Fundraiser will occur in May. You can beautiful flowers, succulents, herbs, veggies, and more! Perfect for any home garden or patio. Click here for details and ordering information. Pickup will be at BICS on May 7. More details to follow.</p> |
| <p>Reminder: 2023 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools</p> | <p>Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2023.</p> <p>Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs is now open. Elementary registration closes on May 12. Secondary registration closes on June 16.</p> <p>More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or on the Summer Learning Website.</p> |
| <p>Parent/Caregiver Information Session on Mental Health & Resilience</p> | <p><i>Monday April 24 @ 7:00 – 8:30p.m. at the Kay Meek Theatre</i></p> <p>Succeeding in Today’s World: Helping your Child Live up to their Fullest Potential Click here for tickets.</p> <p>In this session, you will be taught skills for building mental health resilience in your child, so they can navigate the challenges they face throughout their academic journey. You will be given a framework for understanding common barriers to student resilience (stress/overwhelm, perfectionism, low motivation, low self-esteem, unhelpful thoughts etc.), and specific tools that you can use to support your child in overcoming these challenges. Click here for more information or for tickets.</p> |

**Children's Fair –
Rescheduled for
April 30**

In partnership with Bowen Island Community Recreation, the Bowen Island Library, local preschools and BC Ministry of Education and Childcare. We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the province of BC through the Ministry of Education and Childcare



A DAY OF FUN!

CHILDREN'S FAIR

Featuring Children's Musician Katie Brock
Games | Music | Crafts | Snacks | Drumming Circle & much more
Parents, caregivers, and children 0-5 please join us at the
BICS Gym from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
on Sunday, April 30th



We are **setting** the stage to get **ready** to welcome you into our joyful community of **learners**



A reminder of the Children's Fair from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM on Sunday, April 30th. This Fair is geared towards children ages 0-5 but all are welcome!

Learning Highlight: BICS News, Volume 1



BICS News



**Welcome to the first edition of BICS News.
We hope you enjoy!**

BICS Leadership Students have started a Newspaper and BICS News, Volume 1, is available [here](#).

Thanks to students Henry, Liam, and Matthew for creating this for students, staff and parents. Copies are also available for students in the library and classrooms.

Help prevent the Spread of Communicable Diseases

[Click here](#) for information from Vancouver Coastal Health about when to keep your child home from school.

[Click here](#) for information about Health Checks including symptoms of illness.

[Click here](#) to access the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool.