


BICS THIS WEEK: May 1-5, 2023

The Week Ahead	
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 8:00 AM, Grades 4-7 Open Gym ▪ 12:20 PM, Junior Choir
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fruit & Veggie Program: Grape Tomatoes
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 10 AM, Hot Lunch Ordering Deadline for this Friday ▪ 1:05-2:25 PM, Grade 5 Band Demo
Thursday	
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 12:20 PM, Hot Lunch ▪ 12:35 PM, Senior Choir

Information, Requests, Reminders	
Friday Hot Lunch	<p>Parent Advisory Council Hot ordering is available for the month of May, including this Friday's option, Shepperd's Pie.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you would like to order, click here. • If you can volunteer, click here. • If you can volunteer with cleaning dishes, click here.
Jump Rope For Heart	<p>We had a wonderful Jumpathon last Wednesday celebrating our students commitment to healthy habits of exercise and eating well, as well as donating almost \$4 000 to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Students also enjoyed seeing Ms. Ohlhauser and Mr. Slater getting "pied" after students doubled our fundraising goal. Thank you, Ms. Bristow and leadership students, for making this opportunity available and to all families who contributed.</p>
Ultimate Season Complete	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p>Congratulations to the BICS Ultimate Team for winning the Spirit Award at the District Jamboree last week. The Spirit Award celebrates the team best demonstrating fair play and team spirit. Well done students and thank you Ms. McKay and Ms. Van Schouwen for coaching!</p> </div> </div> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 5px;">P: Liz Hill</p>
Reminder: 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. The class placement process is very complex as teachers consider the individual needs of students as well as group dynamics. 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>

[Click here for the form.](#) This form will close on Friday, May 12.

Parent Input for Class Placement for the 2023-2024 School Year

The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Reminder:

2023 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

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.

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.

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](#).

Lockdown Drill May 9

BICS will hold a Lockdown Drill on Tuesday, May 9th. The drill takes about 30 minutes. You can learn more about this drill [here](#).

Learning Highlight: Learning from our Backyard

How lucky are we to have Crippen Regional Park as our backyard? The Meadow is a favourite learning environment for classes and last week, many of our Primary classes decided to visit together, reviving a COVID initiative of our [Whole School Wednesdays](#) by learning the same lessons among various grades. As signs of Spring slowly emerge, classes looked for and learned about Meadow Horsetail, Alder cones and catkins, Salmonberry blossoms, and dandelions. Thank you, Ms. Cooke, for leading this initiative.



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.

