



BICS THIS WEEK: September 18-22, 2023

******Please complete all online and paper forms by tomorrow. Students will not be able to participate in the Terry Fox Run to the meadow if the walking field trip permission is not completed online.**

Monday

- Full day begins for all Kindergarten students
- 12:20pm Cross Country practice Grades 3-7

Tuesday

- 3:45pm Cross Country meet at Ambleside for team members who have returned forms. Families are responsible for transportation to and from Ambleside and should look for Mrs. Magrath when you arrive.

Wednesday

- 12:20pm Cross country practice
- 5-6pm Meet the Teacher Night
 - Please join us in the gym to hear a few words from the administration team before heading to classrooms to meet teachers.
 - 5:00-5:10 Presentation
 - 5:15-5:35 Classroom visits
 - 5:40-6:00 Classroom visits

Thursday

- Terry Fox Run
 - Bring in a Toonie for Terry and wear red or white to show your support.

Friday

- Professional Development Day – school not in session

Upcoming Events:

September 27th: Individual Student Photos

September 25-29th: Truth and Reconciliation Week

- September 28th – Whale Day
- September 29th - Orange Shirt Day recognized at BICS.

Information, Requests and Reminders:

Online Forms to be completed:

Families must complete online policies and procedure forms for every child attending West Vancouver Schools every year. These forms are essential for walking field trips, internet use, fruit and vegetable programs, and more. You will need to log in to your account and/or create a new account if you have not done so in the past. Thank you for your prompt attention to completing these important documents. Please ensure you complete these as soon as possible using the following link: [Policies and Procedures](#).

Optional Accident Insurance for Families

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. There are many different voluntary plans that provide coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. Families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.

Community News:

Girls With Superpowers: A Coding Club for Girls in Grades 6, 7 and 8

If you are a girl in Grade 6, 7 or 8 who attends a West Vancouver School and you are interested in coding, this club might be for you! This year, there will be three cohorts, as follows:

COHORT 1

- for real beginners. We will be learning block based coding to create simple games and interactive stories. Group meets online Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 7:40. Mid October to December. Laptop, desktop or iPad needed.

COHORT 2

- need some experience. We will be using language based coding to look at blending art and tech. Group meets online Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 7:40. February to April. Laptop, desktop

COHORT 3

- need some experience AND an Apple device (Macbook, iMac or newer iPad). This group will be using Apple's Swift Language and working towards designing and creating app prototypes. This group meets online Tuesday nights from 7:45 to 8:45. Mid October to April/May.

If you are interested, please email Ms Wilson (District Vice Principal of Innovation and Technology) at cwilson@wvschools.ca. Please include your name, school and grade. Registration will remain open until October 6th. Space is limited in all three cohorts, so register soon!

There is no cost for this club but students need to have access to a device (as noted above) and need to be able to attend regularly.

Fall Programs at West Vancouver Community Centre & Gleneagles Community Centre

[Click here to view the programs and activities available](#)

Want to learn languages, science, Lego, chess..., visit

<https://westvancouver.ca/learning>

Live! Music Series, Thursday, October 19, 4-5pm, Free

Come enjoy the musical hour with Gergana Velinova Jazz Trio in the Atrium

[Event info](#)

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.