



BOWEN ISLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOL E-BULLETIN

BICS this Week: Feb 26-Mar. 1, 2024

Monday

- Grade 6/7 Basketball Practice at lunch
- Division 4 Skating field trip

Tuesday

- Grade 6/7 Basketball Practice at lunch

Wednesday

- Pink Shirt Day
- 1:00-4:00pm Girls Basketball Tournament at West Vancouver Secondary School

Thursday

- 1:00-4:00pm Boys Basketball Tournament at West Vancouver Secondary School

Friday

Upcoming dates:

- March 8th: Grade 6 Math Fair field trip
- March 12th: Science Fair – during the day and from 3-4:45pm.
- March 15th: Learning Updates shared with families; Regular dismissal prior to Spring Break
- April 2nd: Return to school following spring break

Science Fair:

Does music affect plant growth? What kind of paper towel is the strongest? What kind of bubble gum produces the biggest bubble? Are you curious and ready to test your thinking? Sign up for the Science Fair by February 27th by returning your form to the office.

Are you returning to BICS for the 2024-25 School year?

We are currently accepting and processing new registrations for the 2024-25 school year and want to best determine our enrollment for the upcoming school year. To the best of your knowledge, if you know you will not be returning to BICS, please let Carmen Lane know in writing as soon as possible. We hope your child will return to BICS and note that students are expected to be present (at school) by September 5, 2024.

Interested in helping out at BICS:

- Scholastic Book Fair: We have secured a date for a possible Scholastic Book Fair from April 22-25th. We need parent volunteers to make this happen.
- Volunteer readers are needed in classrooms and during lunch. Help support our FESL goal of literacy!

To volunteer for either of the above opportunities, please contact Principal Laura Magrath (lmagrath@wvschools.ca).

Virtual Session with Dr. Hayley Watson – February 22nd or 28th

The Ministry of Education and Child Care, in partnership with adolescent Clinical Psychologist, Dr. Hayley Watson, will be hosting free virtual sessions on youth substance use for parents/guardians, caregivers and caring adults. Dr. Watson will provide valuable insights, practical tips, and resources to equip participants with the tools needed to guide their children and youth toward making positive choices when it comes to substance use. Please see attached flyer.

Key Takeaways for Participants:

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances.
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs.
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances.
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home.

Rockridge Jazz Café

You are invited to the 2nd annual **Rockridge Jazz Café**! The event will take place on Tuesday, March 12th in Players Hall. Doors open at 6 pm, music to start at 6:30 pm. At the Jazz Café, you will hear from the Rockridge “A” and “B” Big Bands and combos. This year, we are excited to have Teresa Marie and The Three performing as our featured artist. Teresa is an exciting up-and-coming vocalist in the Vancouver jazz scene, and we are overjoyed that she and her band will be performing to kick off our evening. Check her out! We will be transforming Player’s Hall into our very own café, with candlelit tables, coffee, tea and refreshments. Tickets for the event are \$15, payable through this schoolcash online link:

<https://westvancouver.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/27698/105/False/True>