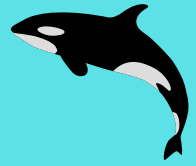




BICS THIS WEEK

June 2-6, 2025



Highlights

Monday

- Bike to School Week begins - see email for more info
- Div. 10 and 11 to Cape Roger Curtis
- Div. 4 and 5 to Mining Museum

Tuesday

- KM Club - pre-bell - last one!
- Division 1 Community Service at Grafton Gardens

Wednesday

- Grade 7s to tour Rockridge
- Primary student auditions at lunch for Talent Show

Thursday

- District Track Meet at SFU (Gr. 4-7 qualifying participants)

Friday

- Hot lunch
- Crepe making for Div. 1-5 and 8

Upcoming Events:

- June 10th Pep Rally at 8:45 am – pods will learn the Sports Day cheers
- June 13th Sports Day
- June 16th Colour Week to Celebrate Pride Month
- June 16-18th: Hip Hop Choreography
- June 19th Talent Show 1:30pm

Please see the
attached PDF link at
the end for the
live links.

 WE ARE...

connected

confident

curious

compassionate



Bike to School Week

Get ready to roll! Bike to School Week is an annual event celebrated across Metro Vancouver that encourages students of all ages to bike, walk, or roll their way to school. It's a fun and active way to support the environment, strengthen our school community, and enjoy the many benefits of active transportation, like reducing traffic and arriving at school feeling healthy and full of energy!

West Vancouver Early Childhood Education Centre Update - Opening Early 2026

West Vancouver Schools is pleased to share an update on our upcoming Early Childhood Education Centre, announced in August 2024. Construction is underway, and the new facility is expected to open in early 2026. Once complete, it will offer high-quality childcare for children ages 0-5, operating at market value rates. We look forward to welcoming families into this purpose-built, modern space, designed to support early learning and childcare in our community.

For more information and to join the waitlist [please click here](#)

Toothbrushes and Toothpaste

April was Oral Health Month! 🦷



Thanks to a generous collaboration with the Bowen Island Dental Clinic and support from the Rotary Club, we were able to secure 400 Colgate toothbrush kits for Bowen Island which will be handed out tomorrow! Kits will be handed out to all students tomorrow. These kits are part of [Brush-a-Mania](#), a fun and educational oral health initiative widely celebrated in Ontario and now making its way to B.C.

Last year, Brush-a-Mania reached students in Haida Gwaii through the Old Massett Dental Clinic, and we're thrilled to bring it to our community this year. A big thank you to Bowen Island Dental for helping support oral health awareness for our students!

Let's keep those smiles bright! 😊

Return to School September 2025

As the school year draws to a close and families begin to make plans for the summer and their return to school in September, please remember that all students are expected to be in attendance by Thursday, September 4th at 3pm to confirm their space in their school.

BAND 6/7 BAND REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026

Year 6/7 Band Registration for the 2025-26 School year is now open. In 2025-2026, the supplemental fees for the Band Program are: Until May 31: \$390; As of June 1: \$425

Learning an instrument in a collaborative environment fosters growth in many areas of social development such as cooperation, collaboration, open-mindedness, personal responsibility, self management and resilience. As we learn more about emotional intelligence and cognitive learning patterns, research has shown that studying music has a direct relationship to the measured success of student reasoning, creative thinking, decision-making, and problem solving. Visual and Performing Arts (Music, Dance, Drama, & Visual Arts) are an essential part of a student's education. West Vancouver embraces the arts through education, advocacy, and celebration. With support from administration, parents, and the musical talents of its students, next year's grade 6 and 7 bands will provide a safe and positive learning environment that will challenge and further develop the musical skills of students. We are committed to providing quality band instruction across the School District for the 2025/26 year.

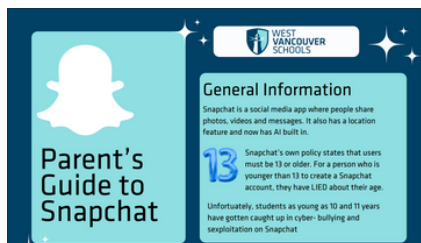
To register, please visit: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/elementary-band/>

Snapchat



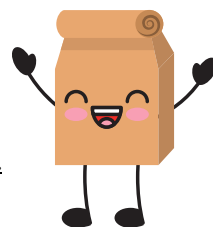
Link to information

As part of a new series on digital citizenship, we will be sharing best practices for parents/caregivers on popular social media platforms. First up: Snapchat. Check out the attached resource to learn how to help your child stay safe and informed online.



Please sign up for Hot Lunch shifts

To keep this valuable fundraiser going, we need volunteers: <https://signup.com/go/ZAmKoRG>



Hot Lunch Parent Volunteers may choose to receive a free hot lunch for one or two children on the day they volunteer. If you would like to take advantage of this perk, you can now select "Single Portion of Complimentary Lunch for Child of Parent Volunteer" or "Double Portion of Complimentary Lunch for Child of Parent Volunteer." This applies to the Hot Lunch that you are volunteering for.

A huge thank you to our fantastic parent volunteers who keep the hot lunch program running. There are lots of spaces to fill during hot lunch. It's a great way to meet people in our community and to be involved at the school! Bonus: The kids love seeing their parents in the kitchen! Sign up for hot lunch volunteering [here](#)!

There are only 4 Fridays left until summer. We need your help to keep the hot lunch program going. Take a look at the needed shifts and sign up [HERE](#). We hope some new faces can lighten the load for our regular volunteers!

MAY 30

- 📅 Organizer 10:30-12:30
- 🍷 Dish Queen/King 12-2

JUNE 6

- 🍷 Packer 11-1
- 🍷 Two ppl to do dishes 12-2

JUNE 20

- 📅 Organizer 10:30-12:30
- 🍷 Packer 11-1
- 🍷 Dish Queen/King 12-2

We couldn't do this without you! Thank you to everyone for helping this school community thrive.

The PAC proudly sponsors lunch for anyone who needs support. If you would like your child to participate in the hot lunch program, please contact Carmen.

Bowen Youth Resilience Fund

If you need to talk to someone but don't know where to turn, or can't afford it, the BYRF can provide funding for counselling with a certified counsellor.

Available for Bowen youth and young adults from the ages of 12 to 29 who are experiencing challenges with substance use, mental health or family conflict. Support may be provided to enable both youth and the parent or caregiver of the youth to participate individually or together in counselling.

If you or someone you know needs this kind of assistance, please contact us for a free confidential enquiry

Contact:

YouthResilience@bowenfoundation.com



BOWEN ISLAND
Municipality

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



LEADERS IN TRAINING

AGES 12-17 (COMPLETED GRADE 7)

2025

TRAINING SESSIONS

JUNE 11 → ONLINE

JUNE 12 → IN PERSON

JUNE 19 → IN PERSON

DEVELOP YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND PUT THEM INTO PRACTICE HELPING TO LEAD BOWEN REC SUMMER CAMPS

BOWEN ISLAND
LITERACY TASK GROUP

ROCKRIDGE SECONDARY
MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

SOUNDS OF SPRING

6:30PM
THURSDAY, JUNE 5

ROCKRIDGE GYM

ADMISSION BY DONATION

WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CULTURAL FEST

Volunteer with Us!

West Vancouver Schools is looking for Grade 7 – 12 student volunteers to support the West Van Schools Pavilion and Stage at the Community Cultural Fest at Ambleside on Friday, June 6th and Saturday, June 7th

We're looking for enthusiastic student volunteers to help bring the fun at our community event!

Volunteer Shifts Available:


- Friday, June 6
 - 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM
 - 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM
- Saturday, June 7
 - 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM
 - 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
 - 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

As a volunteer, you'll:


- ✓ Greet and engage with the public
- ✓ Promote the pavilion and stage with positive energy
- ✓ Lead exciting, pre-planned games and activities for kids and youth



Please sign up using the QR code or email Volunteers@wvschools.ca



WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS



ELEMENTARY TRACK MEET 2025


TERRY FOX FIELD, SFU

JUNE 5TH, 2025
9:30am-3:00pm


Transportation and Parking

- School buses will pick up students from their school sites between 8:15-8:25 AM.
- Students arriving with a parent driver must be at Terry Fox Field by 9:15 AM.
- Families, coaches, and spectators can park at the West Mall Complex Visitor Parkade. Use the code School for free parking.

Using the Hawk Mobile App or Website:	Using the Paystation:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go to the Location Zone, eg. West Parkade: https://parking.hawkmobile.com/zone/schools/9355 or Special Event Zone: https://parking.hawkmobile.com/zone/schools/9359 Select Hourly/Daily Rate, as applicable Login/Signup (Note - if they have scanned the QR Code in the lot, they do not need to register for an account) Enter information and license plate Enter Promo Code School for free parking Confirm Plate, and click "Park for Free" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the pay station, enter in license plate Select "Event Rate" option Enter Coupon Code/Promo Code Once parking is confirmed, you're set!



Scan for Parking Directions



Scan for Volunteer Handbook


Volunteers Needed!

Each school is responsible for providing volunteers to help ensure the day runs smoothly. Click [here](#) for an overview of volunteer roles. If you've already signed up—or are interested in doing so—please contact your school's Principal or Vice Principal.

- School volunteers should board the bus with students at 8:20 AM.
- Event volunteers must arrive at Terry Fox Field by 9:00 AM and be available until 3:30 PM or later to assist with take-down and clean-up.

General Reminders


- Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and brings a nutritious lunch, snacks, and plenty of water. Sunscreen and a hat are strongly recommended.
- Students will eat lunch in the stands. While a concession is available, it primarily offers less nutritious options (junk food), and line-ups can be long.
- Each school has an assigned, clearly labeled seating section. Please check with your school to confirm your team's location.
- Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on students—no admission fee is required. Seating is on concrete bleachers without back support, so a blanket or cushion is recommended for comfort.
- Students are expected to demonstrate respectful and responsible behaviour, in line with school and district codes of conduct.



Questions?

If you have any questions, please reach out to your school-site administrators or District Athletics Coordinators [Emily Miller](#) and [Alysha Philip](#).

Emily Miller (emiller@wvschools.ca)
Alysha Philip (aphilip@wvschools.ca)





Dear future Ravens,

We look forward to welcoming you to Rockridge's grade 7 tours for our future Grade 8 students. Elementary school visits will take place:

Tuesday, June 3 - Glen Eagles and Caulfield + out of catchment students

Wednesday, June 4 - West Bay and Bowen Island Community School + out of catchment students

Our counsellors, teachers, Vice Principals, and I are looking forward to sharing the details about what you need to know as you prepare for your transition to Grade 8 at Rockridge.



Agenda

- 1:35 pm:** Gather in Player's Hall and presentation
- 2:00 pm:** Tour of Rockridge with mentor students
- 2:30pm:** Blog for our new students
- 2:55pm:** Student dismissal - Bowen Island students to take the school bus to the ferry.



During the afternoon students will find out more information on "all things Rockridge" including:

- Our school including courses and schedule
- FIT block in grade 8
- Grade 8 life and how to get involved

Sincerely,
Mr. Trevor Kallens,
Principal



Help us, West Vancouver Schools, become the Most Active Community in Canada!

The ParticipACTION Community Challenge is a national physical activity initiative that encourages Canadians to get active in search of Canada's Most Active Community. In 2021, the community of West Vancouver placed second in Canada. It is our goal to be the most active community in Canada. West Vancouver Schools will be participating in this initiative. Individuals can pledge to 'get active' throughout June in support of the community's efforts without having to track any movement minutes.

To support West Vancouver in this initiative, we hope you will take the pledge to get active:
<https://www.participation.com/individual-pledge/>

Let's make movement matter!

BICS has Instagram.
Follow us at [bics_45](#)



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