



CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

Thursday, October 1, 2020 E-Bulletin

Bears Calendar

October	2	Individual School Pictures 8:30 am
	5-9	Terry Fox Runs
	7-8	Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences - Early Dismissal K-2 1:30, 3-5 1:40, 6-7 1:50
	12	Thanksgiving Day Holiday, No School
	23	Professional Development Day - no school for students
	26	iDEC Primary Pumpkin Patch Hunt
	30	Halloween Costume Parade

Click here for the: [2020/2021 IDEC School Calendar](#)

A Virtual welcome to All Things IDEC 2020:

https://youtu.be/_jmTPDqY-kg

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will be virtual this year. On Monday, September 28th you received an email with instructions and a link for you to sign up for parent-teacher conferences which take place on Wednesday, October 7th and Thursday, October 8th.

Parents, you will receive an email from your child's classroom teacher with a meeting request and link up to the day before your scheduled conference. We will be using Microsoft Teams as the platform for these conferences.

A reminder that we have early dismissal for all students on the 7th and the 8th to help

facilitate our conferences. Dismissal will be at 1:30pm (K-2), 1:40 (3-5) and 1:50 (6-7) on both days.

Daily Health Checks

Please remember to perform a [Daily Health Check](#) with your children prior to drop off each morning.

Translations:

[Daily health check form_ARABIC](#)

[Daily health check form_Simplified Chinese](#)

[Daily health check form_FARSI](#)

[Daily health check form_TAGALOG](#)

[Daily health check form_KOREAN](#)

Hip Hip Hooray ... Mr. Kolkea is Okay!

It has been one week since getting my hip repaired which got me thinking about sharing a quick update to you all at Caulfeild. Here are some Mr. Kolkea highlights to pass along so far:



I miss coming to school each day. *It is far too lonely at home without students and staff around.*

My leg is getting stronger each day. *It is a slow process but I'm seeing the progress.*

The first couple days were uncomfortable and even painful at times. *I'm way past that now . . . most times of the day.*

I used to be rather terrified of hospitals. *After this experience I think I'm over this fear. The staff are simply too caring and professional to be scared of them.*

I'm looking forward to seeing you sometime soon. *Students I love hearing about your learning and how you are making a difference and Being the Bear at Caulfeild.*

Staffing News

We are sad to be saying good-bye to Mr. Graeme Davies of Division 4 as he moves to a new position that will bring him closer to home. Mr. Davies has had many different roles here at Caulfeild School. He started as an Educational Assistant supporting learners across the school. After completing his teaching certification, he has been our Digital Arts teacher and most recently part of our Grade 6 team. He has been a positive member of our iDEC staff and we wish him well in his future endeavors.

Bike School Week

It has been fantastic to see many of our Caulfeild Bears, and even some parents, biking and scootering to school this week for Bike to School Week. We have been fortunate with the weather and there has been excellent participation in this incentive. Names will be drawn and prizes will be awarded next week.

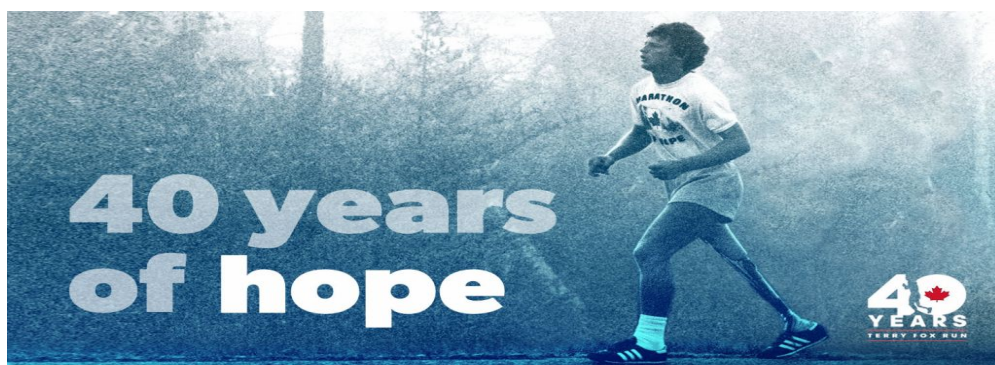


Orange Shirt Day

Caulfeild School explored the meaning of Orange Shirt day on Wednesday, September 30th through a mini-Inquiry. Classes discussed the history behind Residential Schools and Orange Shirt Day, what it means to be Indigenous, and the importance of valuing all cultures. They were then asked to design an orange shirt which addressed the question: What could you write or draw on this shirt to show that every child is welcome and accepted at our school?



Next Week is the Terry Fox Run! October 5-9th



It is the 40th anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope, and even with the challenges we face during this current global situation we are committed to continuing our participation in this very worthwhile event. Classes will be learning about Terry and discussing how "Terry Fox is the Bear" as he embodies many of the bear traits that we value here at Caulfeild.

Students will be running for Terry during their regular PE times and each child is encouraged to bring in a "Toonie for Terry". Classroom teachers will be collecting toonies all next week and the money will be donated directly to the Terry Fox Foundation.

Procedure for Late Arrivals and Early Pick-Ups

Though we strongly encourage students to arrive and leave school during their scheduled times, we understand that there are occasionally extenuating circumstances

that cannot be helped. When that is the case please follow the guidelines below:

- **Late Arrivals:** Students needing to arrive late are asked to come at the end of one of the two outdoor recess breaks and enter with their class.

Kindergarten to Grade 3 at **10:30 am** or **12:20 pm**.

Grades 4 to 7 at **10:55 am** or **1:00 pm**.

- **Early Pick-Ups:** Students needing to leave early are asked to leave at the beginning of one of the two outdoor recess breaks and exit through the main doors to be picked up at the top of the roundabout.

Kindergarten to Grade 3 at **10:10am** or **12:00pm**.

Grades 4 to 7 at **10:35 am** or **12:40 pm**.

Procedure for Student Absence

If your child will be absent we ask that you inform the office before classes begin, either by email to caulfeild@wvschools.ca or by leaving a voicemail at 604-981-1205. Please be sure to inform the office even if you have already notified your child's teacher.

School Forms are PAST DUE

Thank you to everyone that has already completed their forms. If you have not returned your child's emergency forms please do so as soon as possible as these are required in order to release your child in the event of an emergency.

To date we have only received **54%** of the online [Policies and Procedures](#) form, we need to reach 100%. This online form is required for students to participate fully in classroom and school activities. Without a completed Policies and Procedures form your child will not be able to participate in the upcoming Terry Fox Runs.

Medical Alerts

If your child has a life-threatening or serious health issue that may require emergency or ongoing medical management at school, please contact Ms. Araya at MAraya@wvschools.ca, as a Medical Alert Information Sheet will need to be completed as soon as possible.

Caulfeild PAC

Highlights from CPAC 1st General Meeting and AGM

We had over 70 people in attendance on Tuesday, a lot of information was shared, some good discussion took place and we voted for the new CPAC exec team. Please meet your **2020-2021 CPAC Exec Members**:

Chair: Anya Yashkina

Co-Vice Chairs: Nina Cheema, Kelli Vukelic

Treasurer: Marisa Yang

Secretary: Joyce Cheng

DPAC Rep: Tonia Liao

Members-at-Large: Amir Sadath, Zahra Jiwani, Monica Buck, Aneela Mallick, Nikki Baxendale, Sanaz Molavi, Margarita Wyld, Rhiannon Fitzpatrick

We are very excited to have so many members-at-large, as this year will be different, we will need as many dedicated heads, hands, and hearts as we can get.

We reviewed CPAC initiatives from last year and presented tentative plans for this year. We proposed the 2020-2021 budget which was approved at the meeting. The plans and the budget are flexible so that they may be adjusted to any newly developing needs or priorities. Please visit the CPAC section on the school website to review the [2020-2021 CPAC Plans](#) and [2020-2021 CPAC Budget](#).

Our Acting Principal Ms. Bell provided a September update as well as answered some frequently asked questions about COVID 19. [Ms. Bell's Slide Deck for the meeting](#)

[Minutes](#) from this meeting as well as previous meetings are available on the [CPAC Resources](#) page on the school website.

Questions for the Principal

From our meeting as well as the discussion happening on our FB Group page, it has become clear that some families have questions about School Policies and Procedures, especially as they relate to health and safety measures. You can find answers to many of your questions on the [school district website](#) as well as Ms. Bell's [COVID-19 FAQs document](#). If your question remains unanswered, please submit it [here](#) and we will do

our best to get it answered for you.

[West Vancouver COVID-19 Safety Plan](#)

[West Vancouver District FAQs](#)

Call for Fundraising Committee Volunteers

CPAC is committed to supporting and enhancing our student learning and wellbeing. Every year we provide funds to cover maintenance and upgrades of learning spaces and technology. We also contribute to iDEC program development through supporting teacher professional development and purchases of appropriate STEAM and site licenses. We also help update Music and PE equipment, as well as support Arts and Sports programs.

We are looking for volunteers to help us raise funds to support such initiatives. If you are interested in joining our Fundraising Committee, please email Rhiannon Fitzpatrick at rhi_t@hotmail.com

Call for Room Parents Volunteers

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to be Room Parents this year. We have filled 4 positions so far which means that CPAC is in need of 12 more Room Parent Volunteers. We are in search of room parents for the following divisions: Div 2, Div 5, Div 7, Div 8, Div 10, Div 12, Div 13, Div 14, Div 15, and Div 16.

Room Parents help facilitate class activities and the connection among class parents and the teacher. This year we are also asking room parents to take on the role of 'mentor' to new families and be available to answer their school-related questions. If you are interested please email CPAC at capac@wvschools.ca and indicate your name, your child(ren)'s name, grade, and division.

Connect with Us

Website: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/>

CPAC Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/125976944278678/> (You

need to answer two questions to join this closed group!)

Email: capac@wvschools.ca

Community Corner



WVDPAC Advisory Council Presents: [Tech, COVID & Kids: Reset Your Home for Healthy Habits](#) October 21, 7:00-8:30pm FREE Virtual Parent Event

FREE Parent Community Conversation: [When Stress Comes Home](#) with guest Speaker Emma Carlson, MA. October 15, 7:30-9:15pm Virtual Presentation

[Accessibility for All: A Virtual Dialogue and Learning Forum](#) with world renowned speakers including the Rick Hansen Foundation accessibility specialist Han Uli Eggar and former CBC world journalist Kevin Evans. November 6th at 6:00pm

Parent Reading Corner

twitter



We would love to have you follow our school Twitter account [Caulfeild iDEC on Twitter](#)

Many of our staff are active Twitter users and our CPAC also uses Twitter

regularly: [Caulfeild PAC on Twitter](#)

Twitter is a great window into our K-7 classrooms, student learning, special events, opportunities, celebrations, and iDEC staff professional reflections. Keep your finger on the pulse of the school through photos and concise captions by following us on Twitter!

Parent Education Sessions at our CPAC meetings.

Parent Education presentations during our monthly meetings will be linked here for your reference and convenience

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/pac-resources/>

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