



#### CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY 📃 E-BULLETIN

## Thursday, September 24, 2020 E-Bulletin

#### **Bears Calendar**

September	25	Professional Development Day, No School
	28- Oct 2	Bike to School Week
	29	CPAC AGM - Zoom Meeting 11 am
	30	Orange Shirt Day
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

#### Click here for the: 2020/2021 IDEC School Calendar

## **Professional Development Day Tomorrow**

While school is not in session for students tomorrow Friday September 25th, our teachers will be at school learning together exploring curriculum connections through the lens of our digitally enhanced community.



## Wednesday is: ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Wednesday, September 30th we are celebrating Orange Shirt Day at iDEC. Students and staff are encouraged to wear an orange shirt as part of our learning and actions of empathy. Mr. Muthana is leading this important event again this year. We will be exploring the significance of this special day and how Every Child Matters.

Orange Shirt Day is a day to spark conversations around the history of residential schools. The origin of this day began with Phyllis (Jack) Webstad who on the first day of residential school wore a shiny new orange shirt, bought by her grandmother. As she walked into the school, the shirt was taken, she was changed to look like everyone else.

Orange Shirt Day is an opportunity to create meaningful discussion about the effects of Residential Schools and the legacy they have left behind. It is a discussion all Canadians can tune in to and create bridges with each other for reconciliation. A day for survivors to be reaffirmed that they matter, and so do those that have been affected. Every Child Matters, even if they are an adult, from now on.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent-teacher conferences will be virtual this year. On Monday, September 28th you will receive 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 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)

## **Next Week is Bike To School Week**

Bike to School Week is coming next week, September 28th to Oct 2nd. Spend some



time thinking about a safe route to school, and consider how your child, and/or family can take part in Bike to School Week. We hope you can participate on one, or more, of the days during this focus on cycling to school.

We have some participation prizes and special draws for students who participate during Bike to School Week. Students are to check-in with Mr. Davies before school to receive their draw tickets. A table will be set up next to the bike racks at the front of the school.

### **Terry Fox Run - Coming Soon 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. Caulfield is thinking outside the box in order to make the best of our 2020 participation. Stay tuned for more information next week.

## Your Friendly Reminder: SCHOOL FORMS ARE PAST DUE

All iDEC students have received a package of important forms for parents to fill out and return. These forms are now past due and are essential for the efficient and safe start-up of the school year. If you have not returned your child's forms please do so as soon as possible.

#### **ONLINE** Policies and Procedure Form:

In addition to the forms package, all parents are required to complete the online <u>Policies</u> and <u>Procedures</u> form for their child(ren). To date we have only received 50% of the online forms. This online form is required for students to participate fully in classroom and school activities. Without a completed Policies and Procedures form you child will not be able to participate in the upcoming Terry Fox Run.

### **Drop Off and Pick Up**

Thank you to all our families for following the drop off and pick up schedules and procedures. Students will continue to line up before school at the areas indicated on the map below. At each arrival time, individual grades have a door location that they will use in order to eliminate congestion. Your child's iDEC teacher will meet the children at their grade doors to bring them into the building to sanitize hands and begin their day. Parents who are walking their children, please drop your child off at the grass field or walk them up the dirt path accessed from the grass field.



For afternoon pick up, please remind your child how they will be picked up at the end of the day.

1) Car pick up - Students line up at the yellow posts at the top of the school driveway.

**2) Parent/Guardian walking pick up** - Students meet their parents at the lower grass field.

**3) Students walking or biking alone** - Students are released from their teacher at the school doors.

## **Student Planners**

All students in grades 1 to 7 received an iDEC School Planner last week. These are important communication tools for our students and staff, and are used daily. Information about purchasing planners was inserted into each student's planner. Payment for planners are in your School Cash online account.

## **School Cash Online**

<u>School Cash Online</u> is our student online payment system. New families and those with students not yet registered for school cash were provided with a blue SCO information sheet which included the student's PIN. Contact Ms. Araya <u>MAraya@wvschools.ca</u> if you cannot locate your child's PIN for School Cash Online.

### School Supplies 2020

If you have not already ordered school supplies for the upcoming school year, the order process is quick and easy. Ordering is a simple three step process: Step 1 - Go to <u>http://staplesschooltools.ca</u>

### **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 <u>MAraya@wvschools.ca</u>, as a Medical Alert Information Sheet will need to be completed as soon as possible.

# **Caulfeild PAC**

### **CPAC 1st General Meeting and AGM**

**CPAC** (Caulfeild Parent Advisory Council) is the officially recognized collective voice of parents of Caulfeild Elementary school. *All parents and guardians* of students registered in the school are members of the PAC and are able and encouraged to participate in its activities and meetings. To learn more about who we are, what we do and how you can get involved, consider attending our virtual General Meeting/ AGM on Tuesday, September 29th at 11am. You will hear from the PAC exec team and the Principal about the plans for this year. We will propose the budget and vote in the new Exec team. This is an important meeting so your attendance is highly encouraged.

Join our Zoom Meeting on September 29th at 11am <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/921315949</u> We would love to see your faces and hear your feedback and ideas.

A reminder that we are still looking for a secretary (to record all general meetings) and members-at-large (to attend meetings and help in any way they can). If you are interested please email us at <u>capac@wvschools.ca</u> or simply join our zoom meeting.

## **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 the CPAC is in need of 12 more volunteers. Room Parents coordinate with the teacher to support classroom activities throughout the school year. 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 <u>capac@wvschools.ca</u> and indicate your name, your child(ren)'s name, grade, and division.

#### Bear Wear – Order Online NOW.



Show your school spirit on Bear Wear Fridays! Place your order online now. Click here to order: <u>https://www.paddlevancouver.ca/collections/caulfeild-elementary-school</u>

Password: Caulfeild2020 Order Deadline: 27 September Expect delivery: Mid-October

Make sure to label all your Bear Wear items. You can use <u>Mabel's Labels</u> to do that and support your CPAC at the same time, 20% of your purchase will go to CPAC.

Connect with Us - Be Informed - Join the Community - Volunteer Monthly Website: <u>https://westvancouverschools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/</u> Meetings: <u>https://westvancouverschools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/pac-resources/</u>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/CaulfeildPAC Email: capac@wvschools.ca

**Facebook:**<u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/125976944278678/</u> (You need to answer two questions in order to join this closed group.)</u>

## **Community Corner**

#### Serve Up Safety in the Kitchen!

For **Fire Prevention Week**, **October 4th-10th**, the West Vancouver Fire Rescue is encouraging students to create a poster or video to promote "Safety in the Kitchen". The contest is open to students from Kindergarten to grade 12. Entries must be submitted by October 23rd, winners will be announced early December and prize presentations will be completed by the end of January 2021. Grand prize winners in each age category will receive an iPad and pizza party/lunch for their class (adhering to COVID-19 health and safety guidelines).

For more information about the contest:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-pr eparedness-response-recovery/embc/fire-safety/fire-prevention-week/fire\_prevention\_w eek\_2020\_contest\_information.pdf

For the entry form: <u>https://mcusercontent.com/ca6868aae3850e78c28fef43c/files/3ba3a701-fc73-4f63-8be</u> <u>1-bae4f625994d/Fire\_Prevention\_Week\_2020\_contest\_entry\_form.pdf</u>

## **Parent Reading Corner**



We would love to have you follow our school Twitter account <u>Caulfeild iDEC on</u> <u>Twitter</u>

Many of our staff are active Twitter users and our CPAC also uses Twitter regularly: <u>Caulfeild PAC on Twitter</u>

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 <u>https://westvancouverschools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/pac-resources/</u>

#### Follow Chris Kennedy, West Vancouver School Superintendent

Get a glimpse into the thoughts and ideas of Chris Kennedy, Superintendent of West Vancouver's School District. Read his latest blogs and follow him on Twitter at these links: <u>https://cultureofyes.ca/</u> or <u>https://twitter.com/chrkennedy</u>

