

## CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

### Thursday, January 14, 2021 E-Bulletin

#### Bears Calendar

January	14	Band Sectionals 2:50-3:30pm Trumpets, Clarinets
	15	Black Shirt Day (and Bear Wear Day)
		Hot Lunch Orders Close
		Band Sectionals 2:50-3:30pm Flutes, Drums, Base
	19	Rockridge virtual follow-up information session for Caulfeild Parents 7pm
	22	Bear Wear Friday
	26	CPAC General Meeting 10am
	29	Professional Development Day - School not in session
February	8	School Wide Write
	12	Reading Break - School not in session
	15	Family Day Stat Holiday - School not in session
	15 to March 12	FSAs for Grade 4 & 7 students
	24	Pink Shirt Day

#### [2020/2021 IDEC School Calendar](#)

#### After School Play

Since returning in January there has been an increase in people delaying their departure at the end of the day. **We would like to remind all of our families that our school playgrounds are closed for after school play.** We ask that students along with parents/guardians make their way home after dismissal. It is very important that we continue to maintain physical distancing and keeping children in their cohorts. Please do your part to help keep our community safe.

#### Daily Health Checks

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

**Daily Health Check Translations:** [Arabic](#), [Farsi](#), [Korean](#), [Simplified Chinese](#), [Tagalog](#)

#### BLACK SHIRT DAY joins BEAR WEAR DAY

Tomorrow, January 15th Caulfeild is participating in the first Black Shirt Day in BC. This special event was created to highlight the importance of Anti-Racism.

The hope for Black Shirt Day is simple: to get more conversations started about racism and civil rights, all leading into February, which is well-established as Black History Month. This week our teachers have collaborated and shared resources to support classroom discussions across all divisions. Mrs. Smith organized a display of books for classes to use and our morning announcements provided daily quotes and activities to engage in thinking and discussing the importance of Anti-Racism.



Kamika Williams of Anti-Racism Coalition Vancouver is one of the organizers and had this to say last month about creating Black Shirt Day: "We thought it would be a good way for kids, people of all ages, to talk about these issues. Our overall goal is to promote Black history in schools," she said.

The good news is our focus on the Bear Traits and our recent whole school empathy inquiry has our learning community well informed and acting with kindness and inclusivity. Taking this learning further is going to help our students continue to become even better citizens for today and the future.

Since our Bear Traits so effectively help us focus on being the best people we can be, wearing your Bear Wear is another way to show your support for anti-racism.

Here are some of our **student Tweets** inspired by their learning and support for **#BlackShirtDay**:

**Div. 8:** Black lives matter. Don't judge a person by their colour of their skin or how they look. Let your smile change the world, but don't let the world change your smile. Even one person can make a difference because little changes can make an impact. Let's start an anti-racist chain reaction.

**Div. 7:** We can be anti-racist by supporting and listening to the BIPOC community. We are all different and it's important to celebrate our differences through love, and acceptance. #BLM #BLACKSHIRTDAY

**Div. 6:** It is more important now than ever to be kind and inclusive to all. Let's all be upstanders and work together as a human community to create a more just and fair world that respects and honours everyone. Alright 2021, let's do this!

**Div. 4:** Help others when they need it. Some can thrive in the world, others cannot. Share your resources to create a better world. We should all be treated equally #1tweet

**Div. 3:** We are all equals and should be treated the same. No matter what your skin colour is or what your body looks like. #1tweet #westvaned

#### The January IDEC News is Coming Soon . . .

Check out this IDEC News trailer and stay tuned for our January 2021 edition before the end of this month.



#### So . . . what are we learning at IDEC in Term 2?

In case you missed this video last week, we wanted to share it one more time. One of the key strengths of IDEC teachers is their collaborative team planning. The result of this work is that our classrooms have a clear focus for learning each term from our inquiries to physical education. Since you are not able to visit the front hallway, just click on the video image below and Mr. Kolkea will take you on a two minute tour of our Learning Wall and emphasize the need for good communication from school to Caulfeild homes.

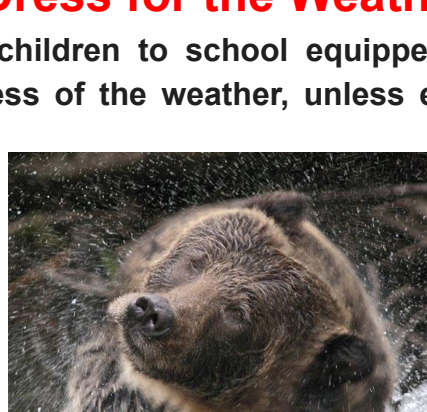


#### Admissions 2021-22

Kindergarten registration is currently open! [Online applications](#) for **out-of-catchment** and **out-of-district** students in Grades 1 to 12 will open **tomorrow, January 15th at 8:00am**. If your first choice for secondary school is somewhere other than Rockridge, you must complete an online application. *If your child is already attending Caulfeild you **do not** need to re-apply.*

#### Dress for the Weather

Please ensure you send your children to school equipped for outdoor play as all recess periods will be outside regardless of the weather, unless extreme conditions make outdoor play unsafe.



Children should come to school prepared for the weather, be it rain or snow. Rain coats, boots, warm coats, hats, mittens and snow gear are essential to keep your children dry and warm outdoors. You may wish to send an extra set of dry clothes and socks to keep at school in case your child gets wet while outdoors as the school does not keep a large supply of extra clothes. If your child is not well enough to play outdoors, please do not send them to school.

#### School Closures

In the event of inclement weather, please remember to check the School District website for school closure information or listen to your local radio stations. For complete details about how to find school closure information, please check district website for full details here: [Weather Closures of Schools](#)

#### FSAs Coming Soon

In the fall, the Ministry of Education postponed FSAs (Foundational Skill Assessments) to the new year. The Ministry of Education has announced another delay this week and the new start dates for FSAs are February 15 to March 12, 2021. These assessments are for grade 4 and 7 students only. Specific details for the FSA will be emailed directly to Gr. 4 & 7 families later this month.

#### Voluntary Absences from School

Our teachers do their very best to support students during required absences due to sickness or if required to self-isolate. When the absence is voluntary and a family's choice, it is a family's responsibility to maintain academic learning at home.

Families may email their child's teacher(s) to see if there is other work their child can do, but it is important for families to recognize that teaching students in the classroom and providing work for required absent students is where teachers are expected to direct their energy and time.

## Hot Lunch is Back– Orders Close Tomorrow!



This term Hot Lunch will be offered 3 days per week with **Well-Fed menu on Tuesdays & Thursdays** and **Panago pizza on Fridays**. Orders are open until **January 15<sup>th</sup>**. The first lunch delivery is on **Tuesday, January 26th**.

To order, please go to [munchalunch.com/schools/caulfeild](http://munchalunch.com/schools/caulfeild) and login or create an account. Once you are logged in, you will be able to see the menu options.

Please make sure your child is **bringing their own cutlery** regardless of whether they have hot lunch that day or not. Our hot lunch vendors do not provide cutlery. We also want to remind you that the **“pack-it-in/pack-it-out”** policy is still in effect which means that students are still expected to pack out their lunch waste, such as leftover food and hot lunch containers.

**Changes and Cancellations:** All orders close on the date indicated above and cannot be changed or cancelled once placed. However, we are happy to facilitate refunds/changes in 3 exceptions:

- For families and children leaving the school;
- In special cases, such as extended illness or allergies to the hot lunch item;
- School closures.

Please contact Juliana [jujudpp@gmail.com](mailto:jujudpp@gmail.com) if your situation falls under one of these exceptional cases.

The Hot Lunch program is run by **PARENT VOLUNTEERS**. It is **not** run by a for-profit company. It is one of CPAC's largest fundraisers. You can see all current fundraisers on our [PAC Fundraising webpage](#). **YOUR HOT LUNCH ORDERS SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL, THANK YOU!**

## CPAC General Meeting - January, 26th 10am

Please join us for our general parent meeting on **Tuesday, January 26th at 10am** via [zoom](#). At this meeting we will vote on the **updated CPAC Constitution and Bylaws**. You can find both the [current version](#) (adopted in 2016) and the [proposed updated version](#) (all the proposed changes are in red) on our [website](#) under Parent info/CPAC Resources. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email them to [capac@wvschools.ca](mailto:capac@wvschools.ca)

You will also learn about CPAC plans for this Term, updates from Principal and CPAC executive team. There will also be a dedicated time for comments and suggestions about CPAC initiatives.

**All parents and guardians of Caulfeild Elementary students are members of CPAC and are welcome to attend our monthly general meetings.**

## After School Online Chess Club Registration



You are invited to explore the strategic world of chess at this exclusive chess club. This club includes fundamentals for beginners along with strategies for the more advanced players. Chess Club players will have the opportunity to improve their skills by playing against other players of various levels.

Classes will be offered via Zoom. Students will need access to a PC, large tablet or laptop. Coach to kid ratio is 1:6. Main coach: Chess Master James Chan.

Caulfeild students are offered a discounted rate. Kids of front-line healthcare workers, first responders, and teachers receive an additional 10% discount- please mention this when registering. Click [here](#) for schedule and registration information. *10% of your registration fees will be donated to CPAC!*

**Please check our new [Fundraising webpage](#) for information on all current CPAC fundraisers.**

## Connect with Us - Be Informed - Join the Community:

[CPAC Website Pages](#)

Email: [capac@wvschools.ca](mailto:capac@wvschools.ca)

Facebook: [Visit Our Facebook Page Here](#)

Twitter: [Follow Caulfeild PAC on Twitter Here](#)

## Community Corner

### WVS Ignite Your Passion (IYP) Programs

For a detailed list of the IYP programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2021-2022 school year, please click [here](#). Beginning the first week of February, information links for each program's recorded presentation will be provided for parents and students on their respective websites. These recorded video presentations will enable parents and students to hear from our teachers, detailed information about each program along with the process for student registration.

### WVS Premier Sports Academies and Premier District Programs

Click [here](#) for a detailed list of Sports Academies and Premier District Programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2021-2022 school year. Beginning the first week of February, links to each academy or program's recorded presentation will be provided for parents and students on the respective websites. These recorded video presentations will enable parents and students to hear detailed information from teachers, coaches or instructors, along with the process for students registration.

### Public Health in Schools

Schools **will not** be offering immunization or vision and hearing clinics this school year, as Public Health nurses have all been reassigned to deal with Covid related work. Parents can either make an appointment with a VCH immunization clinic or contact their family doctor. To enquire about a clinic appointment call 604-983-6700 and request to speak with an immunization clerk.

### Chris Kennedy, WV Schools Superintendent

Get insight into the thoughts and ideas of Chris Kennedy, Superintendent of the West Vancouver School District. Read his latest blogs and follow him on Twitter to learn more from the CEO of WV Schools in: <https://cultureofyes.ca/> or <https://twitter.com/chrkenedy>

## Connect With Us



We would love to have you connect with us and follow our [Caulfeild School Twitter](#) account! Many of our staff are active Twitter users and our [CPAC](#) also uses Twitter regularly.



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Yesterday, we discussed power & traits good leaders should have in response to the insurrection. Today, we read this book & made connections to how power can diminish the lived experiences of BIPOC. Next week, we will discuss privilege and white supremacy. Our work towards an /1



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anti-oppressive future continues & cannot be accomplished in a “one-and-done” lesson. Critical conversations must be ongoing throughout the school year & beyond! Students are aware of social injustices – it's up to us as educators to normalize these conversations. / end

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Olivia Lewis  
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Engagement in writing was at an all time high as we started writing “Choose Your Own Adventure” stories. A fantastic investigation into branching logic & hyperlinks. Also great for reinforcing the importance of planning our writing. Thx for the awesome idea @kayakcari! #edtech



Rachel Loerch @MsRachel\_Loe... · 5h ...  
@CaulfeildSchool seriously upped their recess game. Who knew there were volleyball nets without poles?!

Apparently @tkolkea did.

Needless to say, the kiddos are loving it.

#outsidethebox #recessfun #westvaned #bethebear



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## iDEC News

As part of our school's communication goal at Caulfeild, the iDEC News is created every month by our students and staff. The iDEC News is focused on highlighting and developing our student's **communication skills** while integrating their use of **digital tools**. Each month we highlight two divisions to share their learning journey and talk about their recent inquiry with our Gr. 7 iDEC News team.



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