

**CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN**
**Thursday, January 21, 2021 E-Bulletin**
**Bears Calendar**

January	22	<b>Bear Wear Friday</b>
	26	CPAC General Meeting 10am
		Hot Lunch Program begins *reminder students must bring their own cutlery
	29	Professional Development Day - School not in session
February	1	Rockridge forms due for Grade 7 students
	5	<b>Bear Wear Friday</b>
	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
	19	<b>Bear Wear Friday</b>
	24	Pink Shirt Day
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[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](#)

**Snow on the Way? 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](#)

**The January iDEC News is Coming Soon . . .**

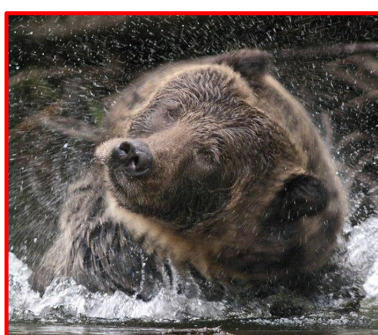
Check out this iDEC News trailer and stay tuned for our January 2021 edition before the end of this month.


**Admissions 2021-22**

[Online registrations](#) for students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 is now open! For Grade 7 students: 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.

**FSAs**

In the fall, the Ministry of Education postponed FSAs (Foundational Skill Assessments) to the new year. The Ministry of Education has announced a delay 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.

**BLACK SHIRT DAY**

Last week Caulfeild participated 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 was simple: to get more conversations started about racism and civil rights, all leading into February, which is well-established as Black History Month. 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.



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@CaulfeildSchool

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Jeff Muthanna  
@jeffmuthanna

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This week to honour [#BlackShirtDay](#) each of our classes created [#1tweet](#) for the world to read. Can our students change the world? Make the world a better place? Be tomorrow's leaders of the world? Their messages certainly make us feel confident the answer is YES!  
[#westvaned](#)

Students [@CaulfeildSchool](#) have started the conversation...  
[#BlackShirtDay](#) 2021  
[@CaulfeildSchool](#) [#westvaned](#)  
[#bcedchat](#)



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

**Div. 5:** It is important to know about racism because it is mean to treat people badly because of their skin colour.

**Div. 9:** It doesn't matter who you are, everyone is unique and has their own culture – love your uniqueness.

**Div. 13:** It's good to talk about racism because it doesn't matter the colour of your skin as long as you're happy. You shouldn't treat people differently because it's good to be different.

**Div. 14:** Use your empathy and be an upstander. Lookout and care for others who are being treated badly. Be kind so others can feel loved.

**Div. 15:** We have a dream that we love each other, that we are kind to all people and that no one will be mean to each other.



## Caulfeild PAC

### 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. We will also vote on some additional expenses needed at this time.

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.

You can find [Agenda](#) and [November Minutes](#) on our [website](#).

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

### Bear Wear Sale



Bear Wear sales are re-open! Caulfeild families, now is the time to update your Bear Wear and show your school spirit! The online shop is **open now** until **Sunday, February 7th**. All Bear Wear orders will be Delivered at the end of February. Click [here](#) to place your order, use the password: **Caulfeild2021**

### Hot Lunch

Hot Lunch orders are now closed and delivery begins next week! Please make sure your child brings their own cutlery. **Our hot lunch vendors do not provide cutlery.** Parents please also confirm that your child should be receiving hot lunch. Refer to your order summary or the confirmation email from munchalunch, this will ensure that your child is not left without a lunch.

**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

### The Askable Adult - Parent Workshop

An evening workshop focused on supporting neurodiverse learners in navigating puberty. This parent workshop takes place on **Thursday, January 28th at 6:30pm**. Click [here](#) for further information. West Vancouver District is excited to offer this workshop in partnership with SHIFT Education.

### 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.



**Candace Ross**  
@CandaceRoss22

Why is your skin colour beautiful?  
What delicious and beautiful words  
can you use to describe it? The  
Kindies @CaulfeildSchool have been  
exploring the many beautiful shades  
skin colour can be through art and  
story. #allskinsbeautiful  
#thecoloursofus



**Rachel Loerch**  
@MsRachel\_loerch

At @CaulfeildSchool recess today,  
Mr Kolkea and Mr Harvey joined the  
7th grade football game. I got a little  
excited about the possibility of using  
my first aid training, but the two  
elders managed just fine. Actually,  
they did better, they made the kids'  
day. #bethebear #play



## Pink Shirt Day - February 24, 2021



### 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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