





CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY 📃 E-BULLETIN

Thursday, March 4th, 2021 E-Bulletin

Bears Calendar

March	1 to 12	Badminton Weeks
	3 & 4	Jesse Miller Presentations Grade 4 & 5
	5	Return all books to Learning Commons - Bear Wear Friday
	10	Student Led Conferences - Early Dismissal at 1:20, 1:30 and 1:40pm
	12	FSA End Date - Bear Wear Friday
	12	Term 2 CSL Reports Home - Bear Wear Friday
	15 to 26	Spring Break
	29	School Re-opens
	31	Whole School Inquiry Begins
April	2	Good Friday Holiday
	5	Easter Monday
	6	School Not in Session
	9	Bear Wear Friday
	16	Whole School Inquiry Ends

2020/2021 IDEC School Calendar

Daily Health Checks

Please remember to perform a <u>Daily Health Check</u> with your child(ren) prior to drop off each morning. Daily Health Check Translations: <u>Arabic</u>, <u>Farsi</u>, <u>Korean</u>, <u>Simplified Chinese</u>, <u>Tagalog</u>

February iDEC News: *It's Here!*

The iDEC News - February edition is available by clicking on the image below. Ms. Sutcliffe and the news team has been hard at work over the past four weeks and has produced another great update of learning and special events from inside iDEC. Since you cannot visit us ... be sure to tune in and see first hand the amazing learning and opportunities that are making news at Caulfeild iDEC.



The Caulfeild iDEC Virtual Tour: Click and tour iDEC

Normally at this time of year we are quite busy with school tours for new families registered for September. In order to share what learning looks like at iDEC, Mr. Kolkea recently teamed up with our West Vancouver Schools social media and communications officer Matt Lawson, to create this 2 minute virtual tour of iDEC. Please feel free to share this video from our YouTube channel with families you know who may be considering Caulfeild iDEC as their next school of choice.



Student Led Conferences: Next Week

We are very busy in all 16 divisions preparing for next week's Student Led Conferences (SLC) that are scheduled for **Wednesday, March 10**. Participating your child's SLC is an important step in hearing them talk about their learning. Our teachers have designed a format for our students to share important evidence from their learning journey with you this term. What is new for this year, is that you will complete the SLC at home, not in your child's classroom as you have done before. Next week you will receive specific updates and invitation from your child's teacher about participating in your child's SLC on Wednesday. If you have any questions about this process, please contact your child's teacher directly.

Last year we had 94% of our families participate in Term 2 student led conference. We hope to match or surpass this percentage for our Student Led Conferences in 2021.

FRESH GRADE & Communicating Student Learning (CSL)

All iDEC parents and guardians have a FreshGrade account as it is one of our ways of sharing your child's learning journey with you. We are sending CSL Reports home digitally in FreshGrade before March Break on Friday, March 12th after dismissal.



This digital format, allows parents to download a PDF version for safe keeping removing the need to wait for your child to bring home a single paper copy. The iDEC teaching staff has done an incredible job of assessing, writing and editing a very personalized CSL document for each of our learners. With the amount of time and energy our students and teachers put into their learning, it is essential, as supportive parents/guardians, that you review your child's CSL document with them next week.

Please note that attendance data on your child's CSL document is for Term Two only.

Badminton Weeks

An annual tradition at iDEC involves our school-wide badminton unit in The Den for our Physical Education classes. Due to our health and safety protocols we could not have Olympian Anna Rice be our guest instructor as she has done now for several years. We have had Anna, however, support our staff with drills and ideas to continue to develop our Bears' badminton skills. An exciting part of this unit is the Gr. 7 championship tournament which will still take place and be shared live via Google Meets with all of our classes to watch. Many thanks to Anna for the beautiful golden feather trophies that will be awarded to our Gr. 7 doubles champions as seen in the picture below.



Our Whole School Inquiry: *Heroes Walk Among Us*

When we return from March break all our divisions from K-7 will be engaging in our second whole school inquiry of the year.

Our staff have been working from this big idea: There are many great people in our community from present day and through history who possess and demonstrate qualities that we value and identify as Being the Bear. As we explore these people and ideas we will examine our 14 Bear Traits and REP skills with the goal of streamlining our school values.

From there, we have developed our essential question: Which of our Bear Traits best measure a person's ability to make a positive difference in their community?

This inquiry will include the story of others - it will showcase those heroes who walk among us with varying levels of global recognition. Students will make connections with these stories of others and how they use our Bear Traits to achieve their goals and make a difference.



Look for more details to come about this important and valuable inquiry learning structure that is a unique

iDEC learning experience.

Admissions 2021-22

Forms are past due for Grade 7 students planning to attend Rockridge. If you have not submitted the Rockridge forms and intend to send your child to Rockridge for Grade 8, please contact Ms. Chung <u>JChung@wvschools.ca</u>. If your first choice for secondary school is somewhere other than Rockridge, you must complete an online application. <u>Online registrations</u> for all students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 are now open. *If your child is already attending Caulfeild you do not need to re-apply.*

Not Returning Next Year?

We are working in the office to prepare for September and the 2021-2022 school year. New registrations are being accepted which means making projections about our school size for next fall. If you know your child(ren) will not be returning to iDEC in September 2021, please notify Ms. Araya as soon as possible via email at MAraya@wvschools.ca Thank you for helping us keep our records and planning up to date.

Dismissal and After School Play

A reminder that our school playgrounds are <u>closed</u> for after school play. Please continue to keep our school community safe. Students along with parents/guardians must make their way home after dismissal. Below are key revisions to our **Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings**:

- 1. "Parents/caregivers and other visitors should maintain physical distance and avoid crowding while on school grounds, including outside." Pg. 22, Visitor Access/Community Use, Bullet #1
- 2. **"Prevent crowding and gathering; pay particular attention to the start and end of the day..."** Pg. 6, COVID-19 Safety Plan Reviews, Item #1
- 3. "Staff and other adults should seek to reduce the number of close, face-to-face interactions with each other at all times, even if wearing a non-medical mask." Pg. 13, Physical Distancing, Bullet #5

Thank you to our families who continue to respect our after school dismissal policies.

Caulfeild PAC



Hot Lunch has been a great success this term and we are happy to provide the same options next term as well! In Term 3 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 March 14th. First lunch delivery is Tuesday, March 30th.

To order please go to 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 note:

- The Hot Lunch program is run by **PARENT VOLUNTEERS**. The Hot Lunch is **not** run by a for-profit • company. It is one of CPAC's largest fundraisers. Your hot lunch orders support our school.
- 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; 0
 - In special cases, such as extended illness, allergies to the hot lunch item; 0
 - School closures due to the Pandemic. 0

Please contact Juliana jujudpp@gmail.com if your situation falls under one of these exceptional cases.

Spring Plant Fundraiser is ON



We are selling beautiful plants to raise money for our school. Please visit our website here and place your order by Friday, March 19th.

Once all orders are in you will be able to pick up your plants at the school on Wednesday, April 14th. Just in time for Spring planting season!

> **Call for Recipes:** Easy Weeknigh Dinners & **Sweet Treats**

Community cookbooks share one goal - comfort! Our goal is to collect straightforward recipes from our children, their family members, and their teachers who make up our amazing community.

Help us create this fun community collection by submitting your favourite easy weeknight dinner and/or sweet treat recipes. Each person, including students, is invited to submit up to two recipes, and photos of the finished dishes are optional. The funds raised by the sale of the cookbooks will benefit Caulfeild Elementary School.

We know that many of you have been spending more time in your kitchens than ever before, so now is not the time to miss out on being a part of this unique "time capsule". Our Community Cookbook will not only give you many useful easy dinner and dessert ideas, but it will also become a cherished keepsake.

We will need your recipes (and photos) by1 April, as we hope to have the cookbooks available by 3 May. Orders will be taken in advance via munchalunch (details to follow).

Please send your recipe and photo to caulfeildcooks@gmail.com

Note: We acknowledge that many recipes may have been 'inspired' by someone else's recipe. Food combos are not infinitely unique! In cases where you've slightly adapted a recipe, we ask that you credit the original source, i.e. 'this recipe is adapted from [insert name/source]'. If you've changed a recipe to a large extent, modified it over the years to make it your own, or if it is a family recipe, handed down, we would consider that your original recipe.

Check our **Fundraising webpage** for information on all current CPAC fundraisers!

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Email: capac@wvschools.ca Facebook: Visit Our Facebook Page Here Twitter: Follow Caulfeild PAC on Twitter Here

Community Corner

DPAC Parent Event

Talking about inclusion, anti-racism and diversity. West Vancouver DPAC invites you to a virtual community event featuring Alden E. Habacon, one of Canada's leading inclusion strategists. This special event takes place Tuesday March 30th at 7:00pm click here for further details.

Host an International Student

WVS Host families are needed! Apply now to welcome a student for the 2021/2022 school year. \$1,100 compensation per month. Ever wondered what it would be like to host an international student? Click here to read a testimonial from a WVS Host. Contact Martina Brazeau for more information 604.341.0501 or apply online to become a host!

Guidelines for COVID-19 Testing

The BC Ministry of Health in partnership with the CDC have issued new guidelines on when to get tested for COVID-19, for both parents and children. Click here for the detailed guidelines..

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/chrkennedy

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 <u>CPAC</u> also uses Twitter regularly



Jeff Muthanna @jeffmuthanna

The kids @CaulfeildSchool have been learning about kindness, compassion & inclusion. Even our bear will be wearing pink this Wednesday Feb. 24th. We hope you will too! #bethebear #PinkShirtDay2021 #westvaned @WestVanSchools







Sara Bell @ms_sarabell

Happy #PinkShirtDay2021 Thank you @jeffmuthanna for your thoughtful whole school lesson on kindness. Let's think pink everyday @CaulfeildSchool #BeTheBear #westvaned





Our grade one inquirers are demonstrating their knowledge of light and sound while preparing a shadow puppet presentation. We can't wait for the final production to be shared!

The iDEC News YouTube Channel

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.

Connect with Caulfeild iDEC

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