

Thursday, February 10th, 2022 E-Bulletin
Bears Calendar

February	11	Bear Wear Friday
	14 - 17	Local Initiatives: North Shore Women's Center Collection Drive
	17	Yong Zhao Parent Education Event (7:00pm)
	15	Baseketball Game #3 (West Bay)
	18 - 21	Reading Break & Family Day
	23	Pink Shirt Day
March	9 & 10	Student Led Conferences (1:20, 1:30pm Early Dismissal Day)
	11	Last Day of Term 2
	14 - 25	March Break
	25	School Re-Opens & Term 3 Begins

[2021/2022 IDEC School Calendar](#)
Learning at IDEC
Bear Wear Friday

At Caulfeild IDEC, students are always encouraged to think about how to support and inspire one another to be the best people they can be and to Be the Bear. Our ten Bear Traits are the values that support how we care about ourselves, one another and this place. The common language of the Bear Traits helps our students and staff work together to create a positive school community. Bear Wear Fridays are a great way to show school spirit and to think about being . . . the Bear.

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February 23, 2022

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With **Pink Shirt Day** scheduled for the end of the month we are hoping all of **February** will be a month to focus on **kindness and inclusivity**. It is always a good day to be kinder than necessary and to **Be . . . the Bear**.

Black History Month

Our important learning opportunity happening at Caulfeild IDEC this month is helping raise awareness of Black History, and in particular, recognizing and celebrating Black Canadians. Each day in February we feature a different Canadian figure in our morning announcements. Here is a sample from today of one of the world's fastest humans: **Donovan Bailey** watch a short [Video](#) (2:53 minutes) as he reflects on his Olympic experience and how it has shaped who he is today.

Ask your child someone they learned about this week and their significance in Canadian history! Daily, there are fantastic conversations throughout the school about the importance of Canadian black history, inclusion and equality.


The Learning Commons

Beautiful, comfortable and variety help define the learning spaces at our school. Last week, Mrs. Smith's latest space improvement plan was installed by our expert carpenter Greg. This new display board is a great way to showcase new arrivals and monthly themes.


Bears Sports


Our boys team hosted Bowen Island in The Den this week for their 2nd regular season game. The visitors from the island brought a talented team of players who had a strong passing game and outscored our Bears, handing our boys their second loss this season.

The Girls scored an early dismissal to catch the 2:20pm ferry and kept their luck going on the court winning a close one against Bowen Island for their second win of the season. Next week our Bears will take on Westbay.

Bears Girls Team: Practice on Thursday at: 7:50am

Bears Boys Team: Practice on Thursday at: 2:40pm

Local Initiative Club Special Event Starts Monday

The IDEC local initiatives club is gearing up for their next initiative! As **Family Day** is approaching, we have decided to support the North Shore Women's Centre for our next cause. Caulfeild Bears learned about empathy during our previous whole school inquiry. We are continuing with this theme as it is important to keep highlighting to students that some families need help all year round. Caulfeild will be seeking donations of nonperishable foods and toiletries. Our goal is to receive **381** items which is the equivalent of one item per student. Please click on the list below to expand it and review the accepted and desired donations. Donation collection at IDEC will be from **February 14th-17th**. Here is the link to their website for more information: <https://www.northshorewomen.ca/>

In-Kind Donations We also gratefully accept in-kind donations for our Emergency Food & Toiletry Fund. What we can accept: Non-Perishable Food Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Including: Canned goods, pasta and pasta sauce, canned tuna, peanut butter, rice, cereal, baby food & formula, snacks, coffee, tea, sugar, etc. Toiletries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shampoo and conditioner Deodorant Soap, body wash and lotions Toothbrushes and toothpaste Razors Tampons and pads Laundry detergent Makeup 	Donation Wish List: Below are some items we need right now. Your help would be much appreciated! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shampoo (medium-sized bottles) Conditioner Laundry Detergent (individual pods are great!) Rice Snacks and Granola Bars Canned Tuna Peanut Butter (small jars preferred) Pasta and Tomato Sauce Cooking Oil
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Admissions 2022-23

Admissions for all grades from Kindergarten is now [OPEN](#). If you know a family interested in attending Caulfeild IDEC next year, please direct them to our school or district website to begin the registration process.

Kindergarten Registration

Over the past three years we have received enough registrations to plan and staff for two kindergarten classes. For 2022-23 we hope to do the same, but our registrations for Kindergarten are still lower than expected at this time. In the event you know a family with a child who is ready to register for K (born 2017) and is not yet registered, please share the admission information links above.

Health and Safety

This section of the E-Bulletin is included in each publication for your convenience.

Performing a Daily Health Check: Families should continue to perform the [Daily Health Check](#) daily health check with your child(ren) prior to drop off each morning. If your child is not feeling well, please do not send them to school. VCH recommends that you can also use the [K-12 health-checker app](#).

Thank you Caulfeild families for your commitment to mask safety measures. We would ask that families continue to help their child come prepared with their own mask, and an extra each day.

If you have Questions about Health Matters: In all cases, West Vancouver Schools look to the health authorities for their guidance. With this in mind, we ask all our families with questions on testing and isolation to visit the BCCDC website [HERE](#)

Q & A Recording (sharing again this week): Please follow the link [HERE](#) to the video to Q&A session with Dr. Mark Lysyshyn, Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer with Vancouver Coastal Health.

Procedure for Late Arrivals and Early Pick-Up

Though we strongly encourage students to arrive early to school during their scheduled times, we understand that there are occasionally extenuating circumstances that cannot be helped. When that is the case please email Ms. Chung jchung@wvschools.ca and 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. They are to check in at the office then enter with their class.

Kindergarten to Grade 3: 10:30 am or 12:40 pm **Grades 4 to 7: 10:30 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. They are to check out at the office, then exit through the main doors to be picked up at the top of the roundabout.

Kindergarten to Grade 3: 10:10 am or 12:00 pm **Grades 4 to 7: 10:10 am or 12:40 pm**

We thank you for your cooperation in following these procedures as they help minimize classroom disruption, as well as, ensure that health & safety protocols are followed as students enter and leave the school.

Winter Weather: What to Do

As the winter weather continues, we are asking families to be prepared to make alternate arrangements in the event the forecast is such that a school closure is warranted for safety reasons. Updates are posted on our school district website and social media by 6:00 am.

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/news/weather-closures-and-procedures>

Virtual Music Bingo Night - Thursday March 3, 6-8pm

CPAC is bringing back Virtual Music Bingo Night, which was a huge success with Caulfeild families last year. Similar to traditional Bingo, Music Bingo replaces numbers with clips from popular songs. Music Bingo cards have song titles and artists under the B-I-N-G-O. When the songs played by the DJ appear on a player's card, they mark it off and win prizes when specific patterns are completed, such as 1 Line, 3 Lines, and a Full Card.



To participate in the Music Bingo Night, your family needs at least 1 card; but the more the merrier and of course more chances to win a Bingo prize! Your family can also win a Participation prize by dressing in a Family themed outfit and/or participating in fun activities during the event. We are brainstorming prizes right now, if you have any ideas or would like to donate a prize, please email capac@wvschools.ca

You can buy 1 Bingo card for \$10, 2 cards for \$15, or 4 cards for \$20. Please use this link to purchase the cards and join the fun: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/caulfeild/>. Simply login/create an account and select 'Virtual Music Bingo Night' at the top.

The link for the event as well as your Bingo card(s) will be emailed to you on the morning of the event. You can either print the cards or use them electronically with a free app.

Filled with music, prizes, and the magic of bingo, this whole family event is not to be missed!

Environmental Action Committee

Have You Ever Wondered The Impact Of Valentine's Day On Our Environment?

Holidays often create a lot of waste – even Valentine's Day. Most of the environmental impact of Valentine's Day comes from the waste made from disposing of flowers, packaging, and cards. The majority of waste goes straight to landfills, and even many of the cards can't be recycled. According to treehugger.com, \$1.7 billion is spent on candy and \$2.1 billion will be spent on flowers alone. Shopping is a big chunk of the waste that happens on Valentine's Day but it doesn't have to be.



GREEN is the new **PINK**: 4 tips for an eco-conscious Valentine's Day.

1. **Ditch the cut flowers and gift a potted plant**
2. **Scrap the V-day card and write your favourite person a love letter**
3. **Pick a farm-to-table restaurant that uses organic ingredients, or source your own dinner ingredients locally**
4. **Don't buy stuff —buy a shared experience or donate to your loved one's favourite charity**

<https://www.productcare.org/about/blog/green-valentines-day/>

Hot Lunch Volunteer Request

Caulfeild parents, as most of you know, we are lucky to have the privilege of hot lunch being available at school all week. However for this program to be successful we heavily rely on parent volunteers. We have some dedicated parents who have committed to doing lunch at school every week for the term. However we would like to add some relief volunteers to our call list for the days our regulars are unable to do. It's just an hour on the day and it's very straight forward, sort and distribute lunch to divisions. If any of you have the flexibility to be on our relief call list, please do let us know. We want to do our best to keep the program successful for the rest of the school year.

Please contact Candace (candacehavelock75@gmail.com) to be added to the 'on call' list.

Connect with CPAC

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

Facebook: CPAC Facebook Group (You need to answer two questions to join this closed group)

Twitter: @CaulfeildPAC

Email: capac@wvschools.ca

WV Community Corner

West Vancouver Memorial Library

Read through our [Spring Newsletter](#) for exciting news from West Vancouver Memorial Library, including:

- New opening hours
- New Collection: Launchpads
- Spring Break Programs

Registration for Spring Break programs opens on February 15.

Next Week: Kindergarten students at Caulfeild will receive their own WV Memorial Library card to bring home. Mrs. Smith, Ms. Ross and Ms. Hartley will make sure the cards are brought home in your child's backpack next week.

HONOUR CHOIR Program in WV Schools

Do you love to sing and to perform music with others at the highest level possible? If so, the WV Schools' Honour Choir Program is an exciting opportunity for you. Honour Choir is a district-wide program that extends the music learning of our students through choral music. The Honour Choirs are open to students who will be in Grade 6/7 (Junior Honour Choir) and Grades 8-12 (Treble and Mixed Honour Choir). For more information about the program or to register for an audition to be part of these special courses, please click on the relevant link below:

Link for students going into Grades 6/7 in the 2022/2023 school year:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/ignite-your-passion/jdnc>

Link for students going into Grades 8-12 in the 2022/2023 school year:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/honour-choir>

Please contact Program Director, Suzanne Fulton (sfulton@wvschools.ca), if you have any further questions.

West Vancouver DPAC - Meeting with Dr. Yong Zhao

On February 17th at 7pm, join acclaimed scholar, author and speaker [Dr. Yong Zhao](#) for a discussion on his latest book about preparing students to succeed in a post COVID world. Explore the how and why of self determined learning - which emphasizes autonomy and choice, turning over ownership for learning to students by supporting them in engaging in activities that are of personal value to them. **Click [HERE](#)** for more information and to register.

West Vancouver Run

As has become tradition, the school district is inviting students (and their parents) to participate in the West Van Run happening March 5 and 6, 2022. Students and parents have the option to join in the event at a discounted rate (\$29.95) by registering here: <http://www.westvanrun.com/schools>



1KM events (for Kids 13 & Under): FREE

PJ is Turning 100!

We are in the beginning stages of planning Pauline Johnson Elementary's Centennial Celebration – scheduled for May 2023. Please contact Principal Zielinski (tzielinski@wvschools.ca) if you:

1. Are a PJ Alumni/parent/community member that would like to volunteer to coordinate this large event;
2. Are a private consultant/event planner that would be interested in bidding on this project;
3. Own a company that creates branding and would be interested in bidding to (a) work on a new PJ Centennial Design/Logo and (b) provide varied swag for our event;
4. Are a PJ Alumni/parent/community member that would like to volunteer to begin and maintain the social media platform(s) for this large event.

2022-2023 WVS Ignite Your Passion (IYP) Program

2022-2023 WVS Ignite Your Passion (IYP) Programs are OPEN for Registration!

For a detailed list of the IYP Programs being offered by West Vancouver Schools for the 2022-2023 school year, see the link: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/ignite-your-passion>. Links to each program provide parents & students with detailed information such as: overviews/benefits; teachers/coaches; schedules; venues; fees; and registration procedures.

Connect With Us

Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

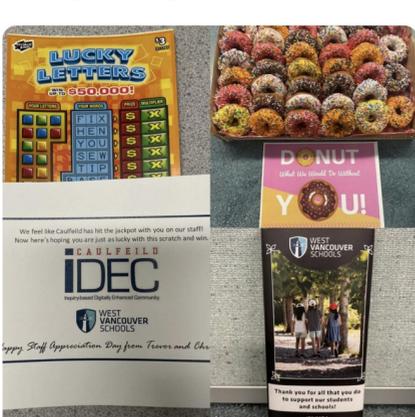
Get insight into the thoughts and ideas of Chris Kennedy, Superintendent of the West Vancouver School District. Read his latest blogs and follow him on Twitter to learn more from the CEO of WV Schools in: <https://cultureofyes.ca/> or <https://twitter.com/chrkennedy>

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. Here is some of the content you would have seen if you were following us on Twitter this week:



Christine Hulme
@mrs_hulme

Showing our Support Staff our gratitude and appreciation from [@WestVanSchools](#) and [@CaulfeildSchool](#) today! Thanks for making iDEC a great place to learn!



Candace Ross
@CandaceRoss22

Nothing like a fashion show to get us thinking about how what we wear tells a story about who we are. The Kindies [@CaulfeildSchool](#) walked the catwalk today sharing their favourite outfits, and reflecting on how their clothes make them feel. [#bethebear](#) [@hartley_lori](#)



Take a virtual tour of Caulfeild iDEC in less than two minutes. Visit our learning spaces on this narrated tour and begin to understand more about our vision for learning. Please share this video with potential new families to help them learn more about All Things iDEC.



The iDEC News is a wonderful way for us to bring you learning stories happening at iDEC as told by our very own students. We are very pleased to share the link to our YouTube channel to access our most recent iDEC News, as well as, past editions since 2019.

Connect with Caulfeild iDEC

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