

**Thursday, October 20th, 2022 E-Bulletin**

**Bears Calendar**

Oct 21	Fri	Professional Development Day - School is not in session
Oct 24	Mon	Diwali School Library Day - DEAR and PJ Day Gr 6 Immunization Consent Form Due
Oct 25	Tues	Volleyball Game #1 - Boys at Pauline Johnson, Girls at Caulfeild CPAC General Meeting - 9:00AM (Virtual)
Oct 26	Wed	Caught Being the Bear Draw - <b>Pink</b> Shirt Day at Caulfeild
Oct 28	Friday	Primary Pumpkin Patch (K-3) Thank you CPAC and parent volunteers! <b>Bring a sturdy bag to school for your pumpkin (K-3)</b>

**Future Dates to Note**

Oct 31	Mon	Dance PL3Y Week in PE classes Halloween Morning at CA ( <b>See Expectations Below</b> )
Nov 1	Tues	Volleyball Game #2 is a Bye. Practice in the gym from 2:50-3:30 Cyber Safety with Cst. Braithwaite, Gr 5
Nov 2	Wed	Photo Retake Day Cyber Safety with Cst. Braithwaite, Gr 6 and 7 SPCA Presentation - Gr 1
Nov 3	Thurs	Cyber Safety with Cst. Braithwaite, Gr 6 and 7
Nov 6	Sun	Daylight Saving Time Ends
Nov 8	Tues	Volleyball Game #3 - Boys at Caulfeild, Girls at Hollyburn
Nov 10	Thur	Remembrance Day Ceremony
Nov 11	Fri	Remembrance Day - school not in session
Nov 14	Mon	Professional Development Day - school not in session

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**Learning at iDEC**

Hello Families,

This week I am excited to share a number of upcoming events on our school calendar. Next week is quite full. It is Diwali on Monday. My thanks to the parents who have shared information about the "Festival of Lights" with us. It is also Canadian School Library Day. It is an iDEC tradition to recognize this day with buddy class reading. Students are welcome to wear PJs if they choose.

We will have our first Volleyball game on Tuesday. Boys are at PJ and Girls are playing here at Caulfeild. Tuesday will be our next CPAC General Meeting. Find the link in CPAC section below.

On Wednesday we are continuing the tradition of a Pink Shirt, Anti-Bullying day at Caulfeild iDEC. Students are invited to wear pink shirts on the last Wednesday of the month as a reminder that we are UPSTANDERS in the face of bullying. We will also do our "Caught Being the Bear Draw" on Wednesday afternoon for students and staff who peers have been recognized to exhibit one or more of the Bear Traits throughout the month.

Friday is Pumpkin Patch! Thanks to CPAC for making this wonderful tradition happen again this year. Students in K-3 will all be invited to participate in our pumpkin search and bring home a small - medium sized pumpkin on Friday, Oct 28th. Send a study bag!

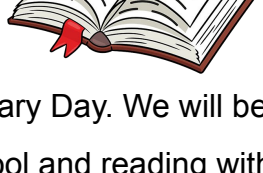
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**Bear's Volleyball Season**

Volleyball Season has begun! The boys will practice regularly on Wednesday mornings and our girls team will practice on Thursday mornings before school. Regular season games are fast approaching with the first game on Tuesday, Oct 25. Players need to return their **signed permission forms** before next practice after parents/guardians have read and understand the expectations of the team. We are excited to welcome families who wish to spectate at the games this season!

**D.E.A.R and PJ Day**



Monday, October 24th is BC School Library Day. We will be celebrating D.E.A.R by combining two of our favourite things: wearing our PJs to school and reading with friends!

- \* Drop Everything and Read!
- \* Participate in the BC DEAR challenge.
- \* Visit your school or local library soon!

**Our iDEC Halloween Costume Guidelines**

Costume day for staff and students is Monday October 31st. Dressing up for Halloween provides us with an opportunity for fun and community building. It's also a great time to discuss ways we can make sure all students in our school feel safe and honored. At Caulfeild, we want **everyone to know their culture is valued**. While Halloween costumes are designed for fun, some perpetuate stereotypes. In the days ahead, many divisions will investigate the difference between cultural appreciation and appropriation and look at how stereotypes can hurt. Kids are making sure culturally based costumes are not part of our Halloween this year, because cultures are not costumes. Rather than laying out a set of rules for kids, many classrooms will be having conversations. This has brought up a lot of questions - as well as some beautiful insights - from students. We would like to invite Caulfeild families into the discussion, and encourage you to have conversations at home, too. Here are some questions and resources on the link below to help you with your costume planning for this Halloween: [Costumes at Caulfeild Questions and Resources](#)

We ask that you arrive at school in costume that morning. **Please bring a change of clothes and a bag** as we will only be in costume for the morning. Please make sure costumes are suitable for school and comfortable enough to be in all morning through various activities. **Students will need to change out of their costumes for the afternoon**, as this will help prevent extra wear and tear on student's costumes so they are ready for their fun after school. **A few other costume guidelines:**

- Replica weapons (guns, knives, etc.) are inappropriate and not permitted
- Inflatable costumes are acceptable, but risky. Teachers have all seen lots of tears from popped costumes over the years. Purchase with the understanding that these are not intended for a busy setting, and can be damaged. It happens.
- Full or partial masks are acceptable
- Minimal makeup please - costumes will be removed just before lunch recess so consider a make-up free costume or use a small amount.

Thank you for helping us make this Halloween fun and safe for everyone!



**School Zone Speed Limits**

We have heard some concerns about the speed of car traffic in our neighborhood. We agree with those concerns. We are a school zone, and the limit is 30 kph in schools zones. We will be reaching out to the district to have a traffic survey completed as soon as next month.

**Student Photos are Ready to Order**

On Photo Day, students were provided with a photo flyer containing a QR login code. Use the login code to access your student's photo gallery at [myorder.mountainwest.ca](#) with any active email address.

**Photo Order Deadline is Today - Thursday, October 20, 2022.**

To find out more about ordering, [Click Here](#) for support. If you do not have your login code, or require assistance, please email Mountainwest at [help@mountainwest.ca](#) or contact Ms. Chung at [jchung@wvschools.ca](#). Orders will be shipped directly to your home address. Visit [portal.mountainwest.ca](#) to access digital downloads or check on the status of your order.

Photo retakes will take place on Wednesday, November 2nd. On the photo retake day, we will call the grade group through announcement. Students who wish to retake their photo or missed the initial photo day will have to know to go to the photographer on the day. Students should either email or send a note to the teacher prior to the date.

**Grade 6 Immunization**

The Grade 6 immunization clinic will be on **Friday, November 25th**. Consent forms have been sent home in students' backpack earlier this week.

Please complete the consent form with a **YES** or **NO** by each vaccine. Please sign and return the form by **Monday, October 24th**. The form can be returned in the following ways:

- Return to School Office (the preferred method)
- Scan and Email to [laura.battison@vch.ca](#)

If the immunization record for your child is incomplete, please include a complete history when you return the consent from. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Public Health Nurse, **Laura Battison**, either by email [laura.battison@vch.ca](#) or phone 604-764-1138.

**MyEd Family and Student Portal**

MyEducation BC has developed a new feature that provides BC students and parents with the choice to connect their BC services card to MyEducation BC and use the BC services card app, rather than the district issued username and password.

Please see the [MyEducation BC Family Portal](#) on the West Vancouver Schools Website and select "Student Portal Guides" or "Family Portal Guides" as appropriate for further information.

**Remembrance Day**



As part of our Remembrance Day Service we ask families to share their personal family connections to those that have served in military service. You can contribute in two ways:

- Send in a photo of your family member – include the name, rank and/or country of service
- Personal Family Story - include the name, rank and/or country of service and include a short paragraph that details the family members experience (just a few key points).

We will honour the contributions and memories of families in our Caulfeild Community at this year's Remembrance Day Ceremony. If you would like to be involved please send your information to Ms. Hulme [CHulme@wvschools.ca](#), with the word REMEMBRANCE in the subject line. In order to be included in our Remembrance Day Ceremony, please send your contributions by November 1st. More details about our Service that will be held on November 10th will be shared in the coming weeks.

**Dance PI3y**

During the week of October 31-Nov 4, we have invited the team from Dance PI3y to lead students from K-7 in Dance Instruction. Dance Play is a new program for iDEC. Their philosophy is to encourage physical literacy and the love of movement, as well as the social and mental health benefits of dance for students. In this way, they do not work toward final student performances, and while students will get to celebrate their learning as a whole school, there is no parent performance connected to the Dance Play program. For more information, please visit: <https://www.dancepi3y.com/schoolprograms>.

**Admissions 2023-24**

Admissions for ALL Kindergarten registrations (in-catchment, out of catchment and out of district) and for IN-CATCHMENT registrations in Grades 1-12 will be open on Monday, October 17th. Please note that current Caulfeild students are not required to re-apply for the subsequent school year.

**Registration for High School**

If your first choice high school is **Rockridge**, you are not required to complete an online application (regardless of where you live). **Rockridge** counsellors will be visiting schools in late winter/early spring and distributing transfer forms at that time.

HOWEVER, if your first choice for secondary school is somewhere other than Rockridge, you must complete an online application according to the [student registration timelines](#). **Please note: No out of catchment or out of district applications for secondary are accepted until January.**

**October 17, 2022** - All Kindergarten applicants (catchment, district and out of district) and all students residing in catchment for entry into Grades 1-12.

**January 16, 2023** - Out of catchment (in-district) and Out of District applicants may apply online for Grades 1 – 12.

## Bringing Your Own Cutlery

Please make sure your child is bringing their own cutlery. We also want to remind you that the "pack-it-in/pack-it-out" policy is in effect which means that students are expected to pack out their lunch waste, such as leftover food and lunch containers. Students must bring their own food and drink at the start of the school day; this includes snacks, lunch, and water bottles. There will be no sharing of food or drink and there will be no mid-day drop offs and deliveries of food items (or any other items). Water-bottle filling stations remain operational. We are a Nut Aware school. Please do not send nut based foods in students snacks or lunches.

## Lost and Found

If your child is missing something, please ask them to check the lost and found table set up outside of the Gym. We have included a picture of our lost and found here this week to help reunite lost items with their owners. *Items not picked up by November 4 will be donated to a community organization as we do not have space to store old clothing items.*



## Accessible Parking

There are two signs along Caulfeild Dr. that indicate the drivers need to save space for accessible parking. This is especially important during drop off and pick up. If someone is not parked in the accessible parking spot, this does not mean that it is available to families who do not require access. We have a number of families that do require accessible parking, they have been identified by the school, and these spots are reserved for them. Thank you for understanding.

Drop off and pick up is going well, but we do need to share a few reminders. First, please refrain from parking in teacher spots, even temporarily, during this time. We also cannot be in the habit of parking or stopping our cars in the roundabout. The roundabout should always be moving. If you need to park for any reason, you will need to find parent (west side of lot) or street parking.

## No Dogs on School Grounds

We cannot allow dogs on school grounds. Even puppies. I know that they are important members of the family, but they cannot enter Caulfeild iDEC school during drop off, pick up, or any other time of the day.

## Our Procedure for Late Arrivals and Early Pick-Up

Though we strongly encourage students to arrive and leave 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 [ichung@wvschools.ca](mailto:ichung@wvschools.ca) and follow the guidelines below. Please also keep in mind that the staff at iDEC want all our learners in K to 7 to have the best possible start to their school day. We ask families to ensure that their children are arriving to school on time. Schedules and routines are extremely important to a child's development and academic achievement as key concepts and lessons begin at the start of our school day.

**Late Arrivals:** Students needing to arrive late are asked to come at the end of one of the two outdoor recess breaks at **10:30 am or 12:50 pm**. They are to check in at the office then enter with their class.

**Early Pick-Ups:** Students needing to leave early are asked to leave at the beginning of one of the two outdoor recess breaks at **10:10 am or 12:10 pm**. They are to check out at the office, then exit through the main doors to be picked up at the top of the roundabout.

We thank you for your cooperation in following these procedures as they help minimize classroom disruption.

## Caulfeild PAC

**Did you know?**

**Caulfeild PAC's main fund contributors are our Hot Lunch Program and Community Fundraiser.**

While Hot Lunch runs all year long, our annual Community Fundraiser is held every November. This year it will be November 1-15.

2021-2022 Sources	Amount
Hot Lunch	29,955.45
Community Fundraiser	21,590.00
BCLC Grant (Gaming Grant)	7,380.00
Purdy's Sale	2,415.82
Bear Wear Sale	782.50
Misc Fundraisers	680.12

## Holiday Event Poll - We Need Your Input

We have started preparing for the Holiday season. This term is pretty busy with the activities, so unfortunately, we cannot do both Santa Sale and Santa Breakfast this year due to time constraints and volunteer participation. We want to hear from you! Please fill out the poll (link below) to let us know which event your family prefers and whether you can help. Since both events require a lot of volunteers, we hope your answers to the poll can help us decide which event would be of most interest to the school community as well as get enough volunteers.

Please complete the poll by October 27th: <https://forms.gle/n2NUGV66z2hHLdCt8>.

## CPAC General Meeting Tuesday October 25th

We will have our October General Meeting on Tuesday October 25th at 9:00 am. This meeting will be virtual but we hope we will be able to get back to in-person meetings soon. You will hear from the PAC exec team and the Principal. This is an important meeting so your attendance is highly encouraged. We would love to see your faces and hear your feedback and ideas.

Topic: CPAC GM October  
Time: Oct 25, 2022 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9792351619?pwd=VHMwaTF4a1BrYzhUZStLNjJjREQyQT09>

Meeting ID: 979 235 1619

Passcode: 7ZDj8N

## After School Program-Basketball Time Update

The time that we had advertised for this program is 2:30-3:30, however the coaches don't want Intermediate kids to not have their full hour. So the program will run till 3:40. Primary kids have the option of staying 10 mins extra or leave at 3:30. If parents wish for them to finish at 3:30, they can go to the gym to get their child. The coaches will only bring the kids out at the later finish, which is 3:40.

### 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: [cpac@wvschools.ca](mailto:cpac@wvschools.ca)

## WV Community Corner

### Learn Coding from Tech Industry Pros

This is a Middle Years Program for children from grades 6-9. Sessions are online every Thursday from 4:00pm to 5:15pm (level 1) or 5:30pm to 6:16pm (level 2). Click on the image below for more information.

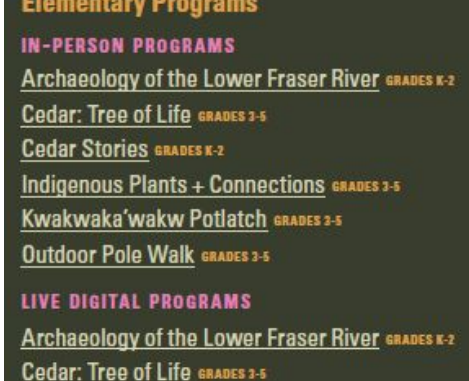


## LEARN CODING FROM TECH INDUSTRY PROS



## Museum of Anthropology

MOA offers engaging in-person and digital school programs for elementary and secondary students to learn about world cultures and encounter new ideas, perspectives and experiences. Find more about programs and schedules at [moa.ubc.ca/school-programs](https://moa.ubc.ca/school-programs) or click on the image below.



## Museum of Vancouver - 2022-2023 Education programs

A learning resource for our community, the Museum of Vancouver (MOV) offers a range of enriching educational experiences connected to the BC Provincial curriculum. Students of all needs and ages have a chance to engage through hands-on programming and inquiry-based learning. Please click on the link for [In Person Education Program](#) and [Online Education Program](#).

## 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 blog and follow him on Twitter to learn more from the CEO of WV Schools in: <https://cultureofyves.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.



Caulfeild School @CaulfeildSchool · 4d · Connecting with The Six Cedars. Art inspired by the illustrations of Roy Henry Vickers.

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Names, names everywhere

@CaulfeildSchool! #community #play

#connection



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 link with your family 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, as well as, past editions since 2019.

### Connect with Caulfeild iDEC

School Website: [Caulfeild iDEC Elementary](#)

Phone: 604 981-1200

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

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