

Thursday, November 3rd, 2022 E-Bulletin

Bears Calendar

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| Nov 4 | Fri | Final Dance P13y Sessions |
| 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 at 10:45. Limited seating available. |
| Future Dates to Note | | |
| Nov 11 | Fri | Remembrance Day - school not in session |
| Nov 14 | Mon | Professional Development Day - school not in session |
| Nov 15 | Tues | Volleyball Game #4 - Boys at Caulfeild, Girls at Westcot |
| Nov 16 | Wed | A visit from Canadian Planetariums - Gr 2 |
| Nov 23 | Wed | Caught Being the Bear Draw - Pink Shirt Day at Caulfeild Boys Volleyball Jamboree at Rockridge |
| Nov 24 | Thur | Girls Volleyball Jamboree at Rockridge |
| Nov 25 | Fri | Whole School Inquiry Launch Gr 6 Immunization Clinic |
| Nov 28 | Mon | Scholastic Book Fair Starts |
| Dec 1 | Fri | Scholastic Book Fair Pick-Up |
| Dec 6 | Tues | Public Health Audio & Dental Screening - Kindergarten |
| Dec 9 | Fri | Santa Sale |
| Dec 15 | Thur | CSL posted on MyEd Family Portal |
| Dec 16 | Fri | Last Day of classes - <i>Early Dismissal at 12:00/12:10pm</i> |
| Dec 17 - Jan 2 | | Winter Break - school not in session |
| Jan 3 | Tue | School Re-opens |

[2022/2023 IDEC School Calendar](#)

Learning at iDEC

Hello Families,

We've had a wonderful week! With our costume parade on Monday, the Online Safety presentation with WVPD Constable Braithwaite in grades 5 and 6, and our DancePlay dance team working with each class throughout the week, it's been full of fun and learning. Inviting special guests such as DancePlay would not be possible without support from our families, which is why I am asking all families to read about our **CPAC Annual Community Fundraiser** below. Supporting such initiatives help to make iDEC a special place to learn. Thank you for your support.

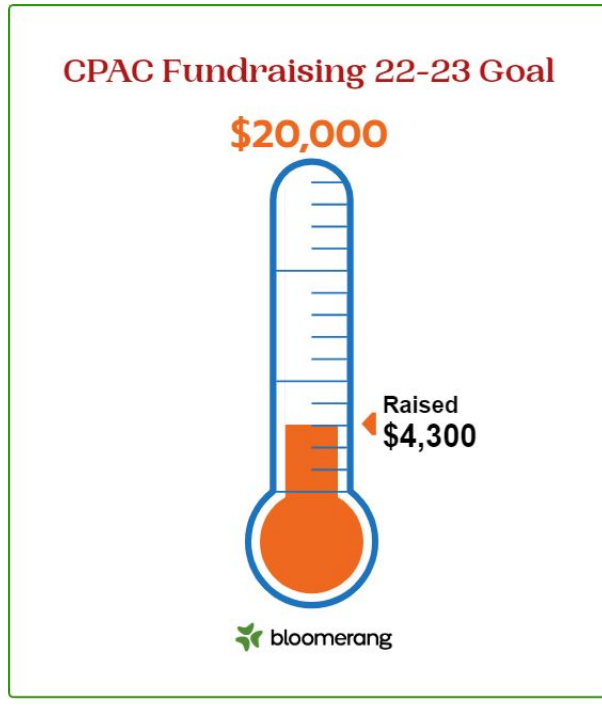
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CPAC Annual Community Fundraising Campaign



Donate by Nov 15 at westvancouver.schoolcashonline.com



CPAC Annual Community Fundraiser is ON. This fundraiser along with our Hot Lunch Program are **CPAC's largest fund contributors**. Such community fundraisers are a popular avenue of fundraising for schools around the province as they require minimum time commitment from parents and allow parents' make a direct impact on their children's learning.

Thanks to our amazing school community, we have always been able to hit our targeted goals and support our children's school experiences. With the funds raised last year we were **able to support our students' learning** by purchasing 20 iPADS, 3 soundfield systems, and educational site licenses; funding field trips and special educational and sports programs (i.e. Elevate, Badminton with an Olympian, Saleema Noon); help teachers acquire teaching materials and supplies; as well as organize community events (e.g. Bingo Night, Pumpkin Patch, Lunar New Year Celebration, etc). You can find more detailed information on how the funds were raised and spent in 2021-2022 [here](#).

This year the Community fundraiser happens **on November 1-15**. We aim to raise **\$20,000**. 100% of the raised funds will go towards CPAC projects that support Caulfeild iDEC program and enrich our students' learning experiences, such as:

- Technology acquisitions and replacements (iPads and chromebooks);
- Learning spaces updates;
- Class field trips;
- Teaching materials and Site licenses;
- Additional educational, arts, and sports programs.

We suggest a **donation of \$100 per child**, however any contribution is greatly appreciated. **To donate: use this direct link [Caulfeild PAC Community Fundraiser](#) or login to your SchoolCashOnline account, click on "Make a Donation" and select "Caulfeild PAC Community Fundraiser"**. Automatic tax receipts are provided directly from the WVSD.

We thank you in advance for your support and donations. And we are looking forward to another successful year filled with awesome learning experiences for our children and social events for our community.

Bear's Volleyball Season



This week our Bears had a BYE in the schedule so they took the opportunity to combine the teams and play each other in a friendly match. Next week, both teams play against Hollyburn.

Student and Family Affordability Fund

The Ministry of Education has provided West Vancouver Schools \$650,000, a one-time funding for us to make the 22/23 school year more affordable for students and families in need. We have now received the funding for our 18 schools and have allocated the money based on the specific needs of each of our school communities. Our allocation:

- Will allow schools to cover costs for school fees, school supplies or other school related costs for students in need
- Some funds will be used to benefit large groups of both elementary and secondary students

Families are encouraged to reach out to their principal, Mr. Blackburn nblackburn@wvschools.ca if any financial support is needed for school-based supplies, fees or activities.

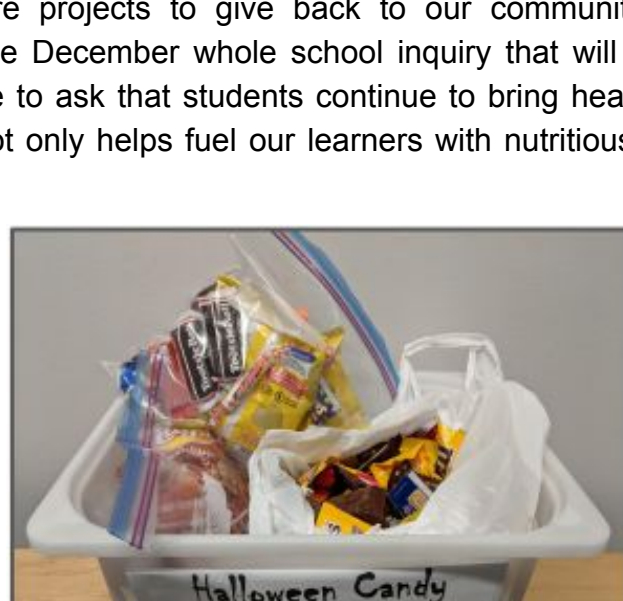
Remembrance Day



On November 10th we will be hosting a Remembrance Day Assembly beginning at 10:45. Over the past several years, we have grown as a school, which means that with all students and staff in attendance about 40 seats across the school will be required to line up for the K/Grade 3 entrance at 10:30 on November 10th. While I wish we could invite each IDEC family to our event, we will reach full capacity in our Den with these numbers. We are looking forward to the Assembly that will be led by Grade 7 students and will include our Band, student presentations, and artwork.

Extra Halloween Candy

Once again this year at iDEC you will be able to donate your extra candy until **November 15th**. We will use these donations for future projects to give back to our community. These types of learning opportunities will emerge in the December whole school inquiry that will focus on being an inclusive community. We would also like to ask that students continue to bring healthy snacks to school to fuel their body for learning. This not only helps fuel our learners with nutritiously, but ensures wrapper are properly recycled at home.



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.

Fall Weather and Labels

This is the time of year when all students should bring a coat to school everyday so they are prepared for cold and wet weather. We wish to thank you for helping prepare your child for our outdoor times each day. **Please label your child's clothing to help reunite items with their owner.**

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.

MyEd Family and Student Portal

MyEducation BC has developed a new education 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.

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 jchung@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 parents 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.

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.

Caulfeild PAC

Holiday Event Poll Results

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our poll. Out of 57 who responded, 64% indicated Santa Sale as their preference. We also got an encouraging number of people offering their time to volunteer to do the necessary work before and during the event. So we have decided to hold **Santa Sale** this year. The event will happen on December 9th. More details will be provided in the upcoming bulletins.

Scholastic Book Fair Nov 28th - Dec 1st



The Book Fair is a fantastic way to continue to give our students access to the books they want to read. We are so happy that students and parents can come to the Fair at Caulfeild and choose their next favourite book! For parents, family and friends who are unable to come to the school, we're excited that you will still be able to shop our Virtual Book Fair and select the books that inspire your readers from the comfort of home. A link for this will be sent nearer to the date.

All purchases benefit our school and earn Rewards that can be redeemed for books and Education Resources for our classrooms and school library. With the funds raised at the last book fair we bought over 200 new books for the library. Teachers have created Wish Lists for their classroom libraries that can be found at the Fair.

Volunteer Request for Book Fair

If you wish to volunteer for the Fair, you can register on Sign Up Genius [HERE](#).

There are a few fun ways you can choose to volunteer:

1. Setting up the Fair (arranging books by age groups on display tables, arranging merchandise and the book stalls in the library).
2. Help children with their purchases during your child's Library session.
3. Help with purchases at Open shopping for all Divisions during the extra sessions during the school day.
4. Help with purchases together with your child during After School Open Shopping.
5. Packing up the book fair (packing up the books/merchandise and tallying).

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

Grade 4, 5, and 6 National Competition Details

Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver is excited to share an opportunity for teachers of Grades 4, 5, and 6 in French and English to have their students submit compositions to a national competition on The Meaning of Home. Teachers who participated in this competition previously will likely have already received this link from Habitat Canada, but we would like to introduce this to as many Grades 4, 5, and 6 teachers as possible. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated. There is no cost to participate, but each entry results in a \$10 donation from Sagen to the students' local Habitat for Humanity with chances for students to win prizes and earn significant grants for their local Habitat.

In October, we will have a complete toolkit to share, but as teachers are planning, we have the following information about the contest including an Education Module [online here](#)

Key dates are as follows:

October 2022 Teacher sign-up and toolkit availability
Jan. 9, 2023 Contest opens
Feb. 24, 2023 Contest closes
May 2023 Winners announced

The Grade 4 grand prize winner for 2022 was a student from Vancouver, and we will be celebrating with him and his class on October 3, which also happens to be World Habitat Day. You can access his composition and others through the link above. Follow us @habitatvan to see more as we start to promote this fun and meaningful event, or learn more about our Mission and what we are doing at www.habitatgv.ca

WV District Remembrance Day Services

The District of West Vancouver is invite to join the Remembrance Day parade and ceremony on November 11 at 10:45am. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

Newcomer Programs

Learn a new language or hone your skills - choose from ESL English, French, Persian/Farsi, Korean, Mandarin Chinese, and Spanish. Classes are open to various age groups - please see each course for details. Visit westvancouverrec.ca/languages and westvancouverrec.ca/newcomers for more information.



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://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.



Jade Constantineau
 @JadeConstantine
 A HUGE thank you to Lisa from the @BC_SPCA for the 'Kindness Counts' presentation she gave to the @CaulfeildSchool Grade 1s today. We learned about cues animals give us to communicate their emotions, and how we can best respect and respond to those emotions. #bethebear #westvaned



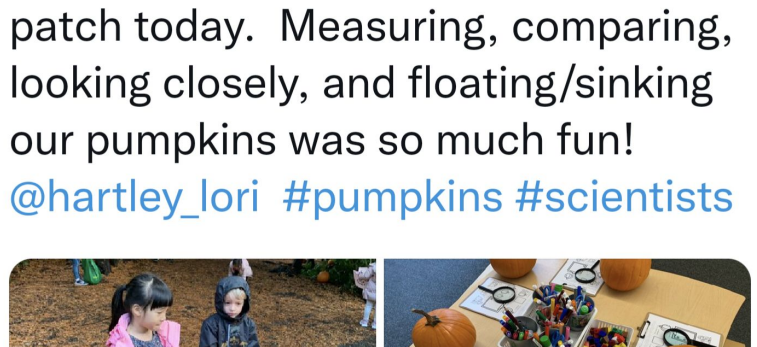
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 @CaulfeildSchool
 It's a bright and colourful Halloween at IDEC this year! @WestVanSchools



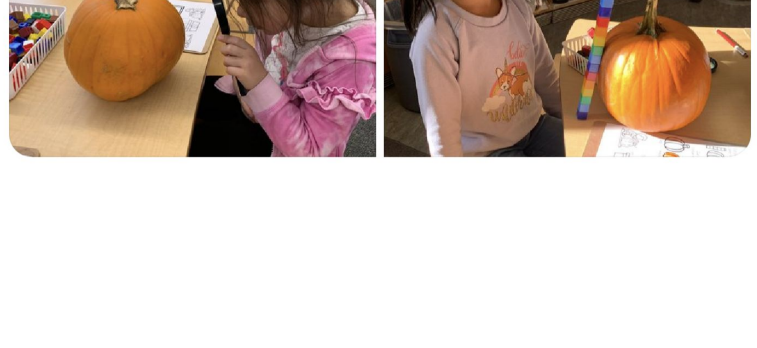
Junel Lapinskie (she/her)
 @JLapinskie
 Baby shark Grade Three team @CaulfeildSchool! We show up @jeffmuthanna. Hope everyone had a Happy Halloween! #westvaned #bethebear



Candace Ross
 @CandaceRoss22
 Can you think like a scientist? The Kindies @CaulfeildSchool were investigating their pumpkins they picked from our school pumpkin patch today. Measuring, comparing, looking closely, and floating/sinking our pumpkins was so much fun! @hartley_lori #pumpkins #scientists



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 for potential new families. They will 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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