

Thursday, December 7, 2023 E-Bulletin



Bear Calendar

December 8	Fri	Santa Sale !!
December 11	Mon	Happy Monday
December 12	Tues	Happy Tuesday
December 13	Wed	Primary Snack Program: ½ bagel and cream cheese
December 14	Thur	Happy Thursday
December 15	Fri	Bear Wear All Library Books Returned Today!
Future Dates to Note		
December 21	Thur	Winter Concert, 1:10 and 5:30. Maximum of 2 Tickets purchased per Family. Information below.
December 22	Fri	Last day of school - Winter Break starts! 12:10 Dismissal Term 1 Learning Updates are Posted
January 8	Mon	School Reopens!
January 11	Thur	Rockridge Information Night for Incoming Grade 8 students & families
January 8-12		K-5 Field Hockey Sessions

2023/2024 iDEC School Calendar

Learning at iDEC

Hello Families,

Today we will be launched our December **Whole School Inquiry** that focuses on the question: *How can we use our leadership skills to create an inclusive school community?* Student leaders in Grades 6 and 7 worked in Multi-Age Groups with students from every grade to lead an activity and model inclusion. Students K-7 were given the opportunity to use their personal strengths to create a creative and funny scene together. These groups are a fantastic way to nurture our school community while focusing on student leadership.

The **Santa Sale** is tomorrow! Thank you to all of our parent volunteers who have been working hard for weeks to make this happen tomorrow, Dec 8th. Students can bring some money to shop for a loved one, and primary students have the support of their big buddy to do so.

The **Scholastic Book Fair** was a great success this year! We exceeded our \$9,000 goal for total sales of **\$13,219!** Thank you to the 25+ parent volunteers and the CPAC for helping to make this happen! Parents donated 78 books and the Rewards money added an additional 32 books, for a total of **110 books for classroom libraries.** *In addition to 48 books purchased at the Fair,* we earned **\$1,000 in Scholastic Dollars** and **\$2,000 in cash** to buy books and other items for the Library for the coming year.

-Nathan



Learning Updates

As we approach the winter break, we also approach the time in which we share our first formal learning update (report cards), which will be posted to the Family Portal by the end of the day on Friday, December 22nd. We wanted to ensure you were informed of some of the changes that you may notice to previous learning updates as the province adapts the format of our communication to best meet the needs of our learners and families.

Formal learning updates and summary of learning: This is the first of two *learning updates* for this school year. These are shared in the first and second term and reflect how students are doing in each term. The term three report is a *summary of learning* which is based on learning from the whole school year. These reports are highly personalized and are written specifically for each learner, they are written in the language of what students can do.

Informal learning updates: There are two informal learning conferences each year. One was completed in term one in the form of parent-teacher conferences and one will be completed at the end of term two.

Proficiency scale: Although we are continuing to use the proficiency scale, we are using it in a slightly different way. You will notice an overall proficiency for each subject area accompanied by individualized comments on how the learners are doing within the subject. Please ensure you read the individualized comments, and beyond just looking at the proficiency, to best understand how your child is doing. In West Vancouver, PROFICIENT is the goal for most students, this shows a complete understanding and application of the curriculum.

Curriculum: The learning updates shared are skill and competency based, for a better understanding of the specific content areas, please refer to the B.C. curriculum, found [here](#)

Parents as partners: We value the wonderful partnerships and relationships we have with our parent community here at Caulfeild. To further support this, we continue to include specific ways to support our learners in their learning updates. These may be found either within the specific content areas or in the "Areas for Future Growth and Learning" section of the learning update.

MyEd: As in past years, learning updates are available via the [MyEd parent portal](#). Please ensure you can login prior to the posting of the report cards and please reach out to caulfeild@wvschools.ca if you have any issues prior to Dec. 22nd.

A Guide to Your Child's Learning Update

The Provincial Proficiency Scale
Student reporting in Grades K-9 requires use of the Provincial Proficiency Scale to communicate students' learning in all areas of learning.

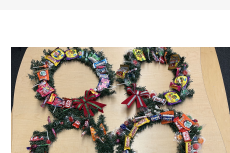
Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
<p>The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</p> <p>"Emerging" indicates that a student is just beginning to demonstrate learning in relation to the Learning Standards of the curriculum but is not yet doing so consistently.</p> <p>Emerging isn't failing.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</p> <p>"Developing" indicates that a student is demonstrating learning in relation to the Learning Standards with growing consistency. The student is showing initial understanding but still in the process of developing their competency in relation to the Learning Standards of the curriculum.</p> <p>Developing isn't failing. All students will be developing in some areas and specific time points.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</p> <p>"Proficient" is the goal for students. It is when a student demonstrates the expected learning in relation to the Learning Standards of the curriculum.</p> <p>"Proficient" is not synonymous with perfection. Instead, the student is able to demonstrate their learning consistently or most of the time.</p>	<p>The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.</p> <p>"Extending" is not synonymous with perfection. "Extending" is a student demonstrating learning in relation to Learning Standards with increasing depth and complexity.</p> <p>"Extending" is not a bonus, or a reward, and does not necessarily require that students do a greater volume of work or work at a higher grade level.</p> <p>"Extending" is not the standard for all students. "Proficient" is. Therefore, if a student turns in all their work and demonstrates evidence of learning in all Learning Standards for the given area of learning, they are not automatically assigned "Extending."</p>

Winter Concert at Caulfeild- Dec 21st



On Dec 21st we will be hosting our Winter Concert at Caulfeild iDEC. We will have two performances with the whole student body at 1:10 pm and 5:30 pm. Because we are such a large school, we will need to limit tickets sales to **two tickets per family** in total. That said, one ticket can be for the afternoon and one ticket can be for the evening. Details on booking and class costume expectations will be shared soon Tickets will be \$5 each, with all proceeds going to support the music program at iDEC.

Ticket Booking Information: Families can go onto School Cash Online [link](#) to purchase your tickets. Please remember to **limit ticket purchases to two per family**. Tickets will be delivered to students to take home, and we ask that you bring them to the performance. Due to our limitations on space, if families accidentally book more than two tickets, we will not be able to honour them. They will be cancelled and refunded. If you would like to be put on a waiting list for up to 2 more tickets, **or you will not be attending the concert**, please email [Catherine Schier](mailto:Catherine.Schier@caulfeild@wvschools.ca) at caulfeild@wvschools.ca. If we have unsold tickets when we get closer to showtime, we will begin to contact those families on the waitlist.



The Local Initiatives

Students have been working hard to use the donated Halloween candy to create candy wreaths that 4 lucky students will win next week! In order to get a chance to win, students can bring in donations to their classroom teachers beginning on Monday. Donations will be collected until Friday, when the winners of the wreaths will be announced. All donations, in addition to the proceeds from the Santa sale, will be donated to the Harvest Project to support those in our community in need during the holiday season.

Pick up and Drop Off

Thank you to all the families who help to keep our pick up and drop off as orderly as possible. Just a few reminders to keep in mind when you come through the roundabout.

- Please avoid getting out of your car at the roundabout.
- Please remember not to park in the roundabout at any time.
- Use the Wheelchair accessible spaces only if you are entitled to them, we have families who need them. Even for a quick stop - it's not ok.
- Please avoid idling whenever possible. The few minutes before I start calling names, for example.
- Remember that the pull out on Keith Road is where our Grade 7s are picked up. We have Grade 7 families who need accessible spaces, so Grade 7 the first few spaces open is important for the safety of our kids.

Information Night for Rockridge Families

Calling Grade 7 Families! Don't miss out on visiting Rockridge. There's so much to see - save the date!

SAVE THE DATE!

FOR OUR ANNUAL
**INFORMATION NIGHT FOR
INCOMING GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND
FAMILIES**

Date: Thursday, January 11th, 2024
Time: 7pm
Where: Rockridge Secondary
5350 Headland Drive, West Vancouver

Call Back for Lates and Absences

Please remember to either **email us** at caulfeild@wvschools.ca or use the call back line (604-981-1205) if your child will be late or absent from school.

CPAC Announcements

Santa Sale - Last Call!

Santa Sale is tomorrow! We will be setting up for the event today after school. If you still have not brought your donations or would like to lend a hand, please come to the gym after school today or any time during the school hours tomorrow.

Reminder: Children will need **cash and sturdy bags** for their gifts at Santa Sale.



Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser - Winner Announced

Our Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser is over. Thanks to our chocolate lovers we have raised \$646. We are happy to announce that the winning division is Division 14! Get ready for some yummy pizza.

After School Programs - Winter Term

We are happy to announce Winter Term after school programs will start the week of January 15th. The lineup is below, please note we have Basketball split into 2 programs by age. Monday will be for Gr 2-4 and Thursday will be Gr 5-7 (this was requested by many parents). And the Zen Maker club will be running a longer program this term that will carry over into the spring term. All details and registration info can be found [here](#)

- Mondays**
Chess
Basketball Gr 2-4
- Tuesdays**
Lights Up Theatre
- Wednesdays**
Sportball
- Thursdays**
Farsi
Basketball Gr 5-7
- Friday**
Zen Maker Club

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Website: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/>
Facebook: CPAC Facebook Group (You need to answer two questions to join this closed group)
Email: capac@wvschools.ca

WV Community Corner



[Let's Play Wheelchair Basketball](#)

At WV rec centre - drop ins welcome!
 Ages 5-12
 All equipment and wheelchairs are provided
 Registration is [here](#)

[Rec Centre Happenings:](#)

Winter Break camp registrations are now open:
[LINK](#)
 Browse your recreation activities and programs here: [LINK](#)
 Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us: [LINK](#)

[WV Little League registration is open!](#)

Spring baseball for ages 5-16
 We have girls only programs this year!
<https://wvll.ca/registration/>



The Incredible Years
 Incredible Years™ Parenting Program (IY) for Children Aged 2-7 Years

HOLLYBURN
 Family Services

The program will focus on strengthening parenting competencies and fostering parent involvement with their children. Click [here](#) for more information.

When: Wednesday evenings, January 10 to April 17, 2024
 (Note: the program will run during Spring Break, March 18, 2024 to April 1, 2024)
Time: 6:15 - 8:15 pm
Where: Online through Zoom
Cost: Free
Eligibility: Residents of the North Shore with children aged 2-7 years old.

Registration: for more info or to be added to the waitlist, please contact Marlae Vermeer (Family Counsellor, Hollyburn Family Services): mvermeer@hollyburn.ca



Is your child entering Kindergarten in September 2024?

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JUST B4
 Early Learning Program

Just B4 is a preschool program for 4 year old children who will be entering Kindergarten starting in September 2024.

- Strengthens the early years to Kindergarten transition
- Joyful, play-based opportunities to develop skills essential for living and learning together
- Opportunity to connect with other children and families in the community
- Guided by the BC Early Learning Framework & First Peoples Principles of Learning

Just B4 is geared to children who are **not** currently enrolled in preschool, full-time childcare or other format early learning programs.

For more information and to register please email District VP of Early Learning & Childcare [Laine Anderson](mailto:Laine.Anderson@wvschools.ca) [laine.anderson@wvschools.ca](mailto:Laine.Anderson@wvschools.ca)

Location: Properties Family Hub portable at Chartwell Elementary School (1300 Chartwell Drive)
Program: 2 afternoons per week (1:00 pm - 3:00 pm) starting in November and running through June

Fee: \$125 per month

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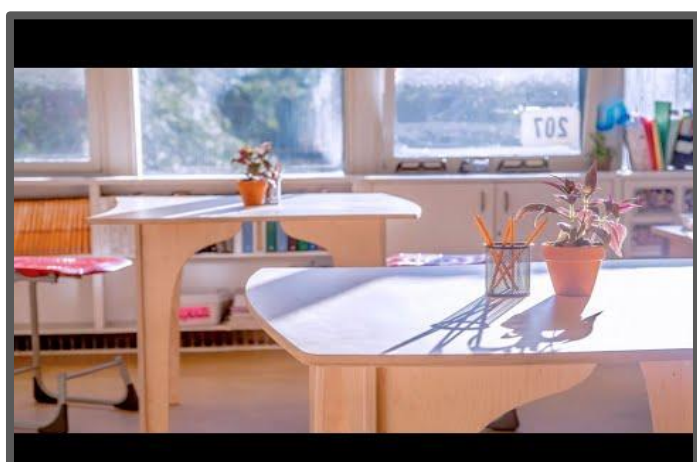
[Click here](#) for the November Newsletter

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.

Connect With Us



[iDEC Virtual Tour](#)
[Click Here](#)

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.



[CLICK HERE](#)

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.

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