



CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY 📃 E-BULLETIN

Thursday, January 11, 2024 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

January 12	Fri	Bear Wear
January 15	Mon	Wear Black for Black Excellence Day
January 16	Tues	Rockridge VP will be visiting our Grade 7 students
January 17	Wed	Primary Snack Program: Edamame & crackers
January 18	Thur	Kindergarten Hearing Screen
January 19	Fri	Rockridge Band & Choir will Perform in our Den at 1:15 pm
Future Dates to Note		
January 24	Wed	Caught Being the Bear Draw
January 25	Thur	CPAC Movie Night
January 29	Mon	Pro-D Day - no school in session
February 9	Fri	Lunar New Year Events
February 16	Fri	Reading Break - no school
February 21-22		Physical Literacy

2023/2024 iDEC School Calendar

Learning at iDEC

Hello Families,

Welcome Back. I hope everyone is ready for some cold weather! School closures during weather events do sometimes occur, and while rare and avoided whenever possible, it could happen any time. Please review the email sent to all families on Monday, and the website <u>HERE</u>, and make a weather closure plan for your family.

All week, each iDEC class is enjoying lessons with Field Hockey with the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club. Our thanks to CPAC for sponsoring this week for us. It's been a lot of fun, and I think Caulfield has a lot of new field hockey enthusiasts!

Monday, January 15th is Wear Black for Black Excellence Day. All students are invited to wear black to honour the rich history, contributions and achievements, and joy of Black peoples here and around the world.

Look to the CPAC and community sections below to learn more about our Movie Night on Jan. 25th. There is also a parent information session coming up on January 23rd about keeping your kid "Cyber Safe" that will be helpful for many families.

-Nathan





Framework for Enhancing Student learning

Every school in British Columbia develops a Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) The Framework for Enhancing Student Learning combines accountability with evidence-informed decision making to support a system-wide program of continuous improvement. It formalizes the planning and reporting expectations for all school districts with a focus on improving equity of learning outcomes and enhancing the intellectual, social, and career development of all students in the K-12 public system.

For the past three years, the iDEC FESL has focused on the best ways in which we as a school community can answer the following question;

How can one's sense of belonging and connection to our inclusive community be strengthened through fostering resilience and social emotional well-being in order to equip individuals to face challenges and thrive throughout their lives?

The Caulfeild teams works together to find ways to build a resilient school community that is inclusive for all students. We have regular planning meetings to discuss and implement opportunities for students to feel welcome, included and successful, as well as to build strategies for social-emotional wellness and problem solving. I have discussed some of these strategies with families, and here in the Ebulletin in the past. You will also find our most recently published outline for these opportunities on our website, <u>HERE</u>, with a year three update coming before the end of the month.

When you see the published update, you'll notice that we are careful to measure, using student, staff and family surveys, how well were doing as we build toward a more inclusive school community. Highlights of the new publication will show that, at Caulfeild;

- Students feel that they are able to solve problems peacefully, and they report greater feelings of empathy and care for their peers at *rates greater than the school district average*, and that these numbers are increasing year over year!
- Year over year, students are feeling like school is a place where they "feel like they belong" and "feel good about myself". While a majority of our students feel this way, the number has increased each year for the past two years!
- Families report that their children feel safe, welcome and peaceful at school, most or all of the time!

While there is always room for improvement and growth, Caulfeild iDEC can be proud to say that students increasingly feel welcome, safe and included here at school.

Indigenous Education School Plan

Indigenous Education seeks to improve success and supports for Indigenous students, and increase the presence of Indigenous culture, languages and history for all students. It also aims to help teachers bring Indigenous knowledge into their teaching practice. To this end, each school in West Vancouver develops an Indigenous Education School Plan. This is a 'living document' which changes and evolves throughout the year.

This year at Caulfeild, our school plan involves working closely with our Indigenous Success teacher, Mrs. Jackie Gladstone, who works with classrooms and individual students to support academics, and to share indigenous culture with classes.

Our Indigenous Education School Plan is posted each year to our website. You'll find it HERE. Some highlights of the plan this year include; sharing a land acknowledgement and Squamish greeting on the announcements each day, our primary Salmon release overseen by S7aplek,

Teacher professional development with Squamish Nation Elder Tsawaysia Spukwus, honouring Orange Shirt Day with a school wide art project, and much more.

If any families would like to join our team and participate in some of these conversations, please reach out!



Reminder to send your children to school dressed for the weather - we are expecting winter cold conditions, and we always have outdoor recess time. Please help them be prepared!



WEST VANCOUVER FIELD HOCKEY CLUB TEACHING THE "FUN" DAMENTALS OF HOCKEY!

Coming soon! Our grade K-7 students will be learning the "FUNdamentals" of field hockey during an indoor session with West Vancouver Field Hockey Club.

After trying out their hockey skills and games, the children will receive a certificate and a WVFHC wristband. If your child/children enjoyed the experience and is interested in playing more, contact info@wvfhc.com



Registration for Spring League 2024 opens November 1st 2023 All levels welcome



www.wvfhc.com

Information Night for Rockridge Families - tonight!

Calling Grade 7 Families! Don't miss out on visiting Rockridge tonight! Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.



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 leaving the first few spaces open is important for the safety of our kids.

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.

Caulfeild PAC

CPAC Announcements

Movie Night - January 25th

Join us at the school for our annual Movie Night. We will be showing DC League of Super-Pets on Thursday, January 25th at 5:30 pm, the movie will start at 6:00 pm.

Important: Get a meal with the movie, we will be serving pizza, popcorn, and juice. Place your order by the end of January 23rd on munchalunch.com (use 'Movie Night!' tab).

- Movie Meal for \$10 (includes 1 slice of cheese pizza, popcorn, \star and juice box).
- Slice of cheese pizza for \$5. \star
- \star A limited amount of pizza and popcorn will be available on-site for cash. We recommend you order in advance.



If you can help out with the Movie Night, please email capac@wvschools.ca.



Bear Wear Pop-Up Sale - January 25th

During school drop off and Movie Night you will have a chance to try on and purchase new and lightly used **Bear Wear** on January 25th. Cash only, please. If you have Bear Wear in good condition that you no longer need, please bring it to the office before January 19th.

All proceeds from the Movie Night as well as the Bear Wear Sale will go towards CPAC initiatives supporting our school.

Hot Lunch Ordering

Hot Lunch Orders are open for this term. Remember: You can place your order or make changes anytime on munchalunch.com, but please remember that it takes 7 days to process new orders/changes.



After-School Programs

Winter Term after-school programs will start next week. 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 for Gr 5-7 (many parents requested this). 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.

Connect with Us

Website: https://westvancouverschools.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





Neurodiversity and Dance Classes

My name is Miss Tammy and I teach neuro-affirmative dance classes on Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45 pm at the Vanleena Dance Academy, 1457

Marine Drive, our West Vancouver location. All interested families are invited to contact me directly at <u>dance@vanleena.com</u> to learn more about the program (we also offer a free trial class!).

Cybersafe from Exploitation Parent Presentation

January 23, 7:00 PM at the Kay Meek Arts Centre.

Click HERE for more information



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

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



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: <u>https://cultureofyes.ca/</u> or <u>https://twitter.com/chrkennedy</u>

We would love to have you connect with us and follow our <u>Caulfeild School Twitter</u> account! Many of our staff are active Twitter users and our <u>CPAC</u> 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.



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 School Website: Caulfeild iDEC Elementary Phone: 604 981-1200 Email: Caulfeild@wvschools.ca

CONNECT WITH US! #westvaned

Tag us in your school success stories using our hastag

