

## Thursday, February 22, 2024 E-Bulletin



### Bear Calendar

<b>February 23</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Grade 7 Farewell Parent Meeting in Non-Fiction Room, 8:40
<b>February 26</b>	<b>Mon</b>	Happy Monday
<b>February 27</b>	<b>Tues</b>	CPAC Meeting - virtual at 7:00 pm
<b>February 28</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Primary Snack Program: Crackers &amp; Cheese</b> Caught Being the Bear Draw - <b>Pink Shirt Day</b> Girls Basketball Jamboree
<b>February 29</b>	<b>Thur</b>	Boys Basketball Jamboree
<b>March 1</b>	<b>Fri</b>	ArtStarts - Interactive Fairy Tales Bear Wear Day
<b>Future Dates to Note</b>		
<b>March 5</b>	<b>Tue</b>	Gr 7 First Aid Course
<b>March 6</b>	<b>Wed</b>	Student Led Conference - <b>Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm</b>
<b>March 8</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Kindie Vision Screening
<b>March 11 &amp; 12</b>	<b>M-T</b>	WV Little League in the Den for Div 8-16
<b>March 13</b>	<b>Wed</b>	Rescheduled K Hearing Screening
<b>March 14</b>	<b>Thur</b>	Jump Rope for Heart
<b>March 15</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Term 2 Learning Updates will be posted
<b>March 18 - 29</b>		<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>April 2</b>	<b>Tues</b>	School Reopens

[2023/2024 IDEC School Calendar](#)

## Learning at IDEC

Hello Families,

This week I want to highlight some of the recent guests we have welcomed to Caulfeild IDEC to support teaching and learning. Below you will find photos of our Vancouver Coastal Health nursing team speaking with our primary classrooms about mindful nutrition. Mary Parackal, district Vice Principal for Early learning met with our Division 9 and 10 classrooms about engaging with literacy. Laura Garner, district gardner met with Divs 3, 4, 9 and 10 to speak about our local environment, and to facilitate an invasive species pull. Recently we have welcomed Amber and Erin, our Physical Literacy teachers to work with our EA team, and Cari Wilson met virtually with Intermediate Classrooms to talk about Digital Citizenship. It is wonderful to welcome so much school district and community leaders to IDEC to share their passions and their knowledge with Caulfeild students.

Wednesday February 28 is **Pink Shirt Day**. We are excited to come together as a whole school to learn and reflect about the importance of kindness and inclusion for all. Students will collaborate with their Multi Age groups to share ideas about how to make our world a kinder place. Please wear pink if you can!

Coming up on Wednesday March 6th are our **Student Led Conferences**. Please read the section below and sign up for your conference soon. Conference sign ups will be closed on March 4th.

**CPAC** has also created a WhatsApp Group to share school events and reminders. It is optional to sign up, and while all events and reminders will still be shared in the EBulletin, some families might like the quick and easy communication style of WhatsApp. See below for more details.

-Nathan



### Student Led Conferences - Wednesday, March 6

Student Led Conferences (SLC) is a special day that will allow students and their families to really talk about their learning in Term 2. On March 15th Communicating Student Learning Reports will be published to the MyEd Parent Portal. This report will accompany the SLC activities planned by your child's teacher to create a meaningful opportunity for families to really engage in their child's learning.

Please note we have an Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm on this day, and no hotlunch orders. Conferences will be in-person. The system for booking will be open until 3:00 pm Monday March 4th. There will be no more bookings after this time.

Use this booking [LINK](#) to book your interviews.

If you are prompted for an event code, enter: **yy4qx**

- Enter your information (parent email, parent name, phone number and student name)
- Here you can indicate the number of students that you need to book for,
- Click on GO and choose your child's teacher
- Choose the time that works best for you from the options provided.
- Conferences are 20 minutes long.

### Visitor Protocol

All parent/caregiver, visitors and volunteers are required to enter via the front door, and report to the school office to sign in.

Parents and caregivers need to make prior arrangements before entering learning spaces during the school day (i.e., do NOT enter your child's classroom, even if it's just to drop off a lunch or project, these items should always be left at the office, so as not to disrupt the learning environment). This includes outdoor learning spaces such as the playground (recess).

Please do not "drop-in" on your child's teacher or other school staff. Email in advance or call the school to set up an appointment time. Staff are always happy to meet, but advance notice allows for us to give you our full attention at an appropriate time.

Following these guidelines will help keep all of the children safe and protect the learning environment

### Returning to Caulfeild for the 2024 – 2025 School Year?

As we are currently accepting new registrations for the 2024-25 school year, we are trying to predict as closely as possible whether or not we have room for those new students interested in joining our school. We understand that job transfers happen and relocations can occur without much notice however, please indicate to the best of your knowledge whether your child will **not** be returning to us in September (and we certainly hope he/she will be!). This will greatly assist us in knowing how many spaces are available. **Please note that if you are planning to return to Caulfeild, students are expected to be present (at school) by September 5, 2024 to guarantee their spot for the 2024 - 2025.** If you know you will not be returning to Caulfeild please let Ms. Schier know in writing as soon as possible.  
[cschier@wvschools.ca](mailto:cschier@wvschools.ca)

Caulfeild is growing! As families and children come to our community, it is our responsibility to provide space for them at school. This may mean that some divisions may move to being multi age classrooms in 2024/2025. Caulfeild teachers are experienced teaching in multi-age classrooms, it is part of our heritage, and our collaborative structures and schedules make us uniquely positioned to do it very well. Research also shows that there are significant, positive effects on student achievement with multi age classrooms. For your information, class configurations are typically finalized in the first week of September. To learn more about multi age classrooms in West Vancouver Schools, click [HERE](#).

### Parking Along Caulfeild Drive

This is a reminder to all families that the crosswalk on the north side of the school is a no stopping zone. Parents have been seen to stop to drop at this site, which has been seen to cause dangerous and unsafe conditions during school drop off.

Also, we politely ask families to not park in the first two spaces along the pullout on Caulfeild Drive during pickup and drop off. Typically used by grade 7 families who dismiss from this exit, we also request that families hold two spaces near the front for those families those physical needs require a close parking space to the school. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



### Daily Health Checks

Parents are asked to do daily health checks of children before sending children to school. As flu and cold season is upon us, we ask for your assistance to ensure that your child is healthy and well enough to participate in normal school activities. If your child is unwell, please report their absence through the school email at [caulfeild@wvschools.ca](mailto:caulfeild@wvschools.ca) or the Call Back Line at 604 981 1205. Parents are also reminded that communicable diseases should be reported to your classroom teacher and to the school office. This would include chicken pox, measles, etc. While not a communicable disease, we also ask that students and families report any cases of lice to the office. When we have a report, we can take some preventative measures within our community and classrooms.

### BC Learning Surveys

Each year in British Columbia, students in grades 4 and 7 are asked to complete the Learning Surveys. The learning survey asks students questions about their school experiences. Parents with children in Grades 4 and 7 are also invited to complete a parent survey. A parent may complete a survey for each child in the targeted grades. The parent survey is available in English, French and 16 other languages. Parents can complete surveys on their own time at any point in time before April 29th, 2025.

For more information, and to login to the parent survey, use this [LINK](https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp).

### 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. While having more families park and walk would make the neighbourhood much less congested, if you *must* drive through the roundabout, here are a few reminders.

- 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](mailto: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



### CPAC News WhatsApp Group

Welcome to the CPAC News WhatsApp Group. We've launched this **new WhatsApp Group** to streamline communication within our school community. Here, you'll find the latest updates on school events, CPAC initiatives, and important announcements.

The new group is here to make sure everyone stays in the loop, it's all about keeping **our community connected and well-informed** about the exciting happenings at our school.

Join the group by clicking here: [CPAC News WhatsApp Group](#) or scan the QR Code.

### CPAC General Meeting - February 27, 7pm (virtual)

Please join us for our monthly general meeting next Tuesday at 7pm via [MS Teams](#). You will hear updates from the CPAC Executive and the school principal, and you will have time to ask your questions.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 233 327 590 088

Passcode: aoWHWY



### Connect with Us

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](mailto:capac@wvschools.ca)

## WV Community Corner

**Family Series**  
**Family Day Special**  
**Frog Belly Rat Bone**  
Sat, Apr 6 | 3:00 PM  
Grosvenor Theatre  
Incorporating beautifully handcrafted puppets and an original pop/rock musical score. An Axis Theatre Production, featuring a musical adaptation from the book by Timothy Basil Ering.  
Offer Valid Fri, Feb 16 to Tue, Feb 20, 2024  
Use Code **FAM15**  
kaymeek.com | (604) 981-6335  
1700 Mathers Ave, West Vancouver

**WE ARE ALL CONNECTED: HOW FAMILIES CAN SUPPORT CHILDREN'S K - 12 PEER RELATIONSHIPS**  
**PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN EVENING WITH DIANA DIVECHA, PH.D**  
Children's relationships with their peers are crucial anchors of their wellbeing in every phase of development. What does the science show about how families and schools can foster supportive relationships at different ages? What's normal, and when should we help? How can we prevent or help kids recover from harmful relationship experiences?  
We will hear from an expert who can offer practical advice and explain the science behind how families and schools can foster supportive relationships at different ages.  
Dr. Diana Divecha, Developmental psychologist, Yale Child Study Centre  
This event is free  
IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR LINK TO THE EVENT PLEASE REGISTER AT [DPAC@WVSCHOOLS.CA](mailto:DPAC@WVSCHOOLS.CA)  
MARCH 7TH  
7PM - 8:30PM  
VIRTUAL  
We are collecting questions from attendees in advance instead of a live audience Q&A. Do you have questions for our speaker? Please fill email them to: [DPAC@WVSCHOOLS.CA](mailto:DPAC@WVSCHOOLS.CA)

### ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WV COMMUNITY CENTRE / GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Spring Break Break camps – Music, Spanish or Korean Immersion, LEGO, Arts, Science/STEAM, Sports, Gymnastics, etc:**

**Spring Break Intensive Group Classes Also Available for All Ages: [Beginner French Intensive & Music Theory Intensive](#)**

**Important Dates: Spring Program Registrations (April – June)**

General registration for Spring opens on Wednesday, March 6

Skating, Gymnastics, and Swimming registrations open on Wednesday, March 13

### Spring Learning Programs

Interested in indigenous beading or cedar weaving, learning Languages, STEAM, Chess, Lego?

Adult Beginner French classes available: After-School Kids' Farsi, Korean, Mandarin classes are also available.

**Explore the Learning Program:**

[www.westvancouver.ca/learning](http://www.westvancouver.ca/learning)

**Browse your recreation activities and programs [here](#)**

**Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us: <https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers>**



Hollyburn Family Services is pleased to present the following in March 2024:

### CIRCLE OF SECURITY® 8-WEEK PARENTING™ PROGRAM

**DATE:** Wednesday's from March 27- May 15  
**TIME:** 6:00 to 8:00 pm  
**COST:** Free  
**LOCATION:** Hollyburn Family Services - 104-267 West Esplanade, North Vancouver  
**ELIGIBILITY:** Must be the parent/caregiver of a child between the ages of 0-5 and living on the North Shore/Bowen Island.  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP:** Please contact Tomi Hamner by email at: [thamner@hollyburn.ca](mailto:thamner@hollyburn.ca) or text/call: (604) 908-3673

to attend Circle of Security® you must fill out a referral form. Link provided by facilitator(s)  
Limited to 6 families (12 spaces)  
Facilitator: Tomi Hamner  
Circle of Security® Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent/caregiver-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. This program will focus on the parent/caregiver role, reflective practice, creating secure attachment and increasing connection.

### Safe Schools Presentations for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers

The Ministry of Education and Child Care, in partnership with adolescent Clinical Psychologist, Dr. Hayley Watson, will be hosting free virtual sessions on youth substance use for parents/guardians, caregivers and caring adults. Dr. Watson will provide valuable insights, practical tips, and resources to equip participants with the tools needed to guide their children and youth toward making positive choices when it comes to substance use.

Participants must register in advance due to limited capacity. Session dates are:

- February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – [Click here to Register](#)
- February 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – [Click here to Register](#)

**Do you need help with sports registration fees? ATHLETICS FOR KIDS CAN HELP!**  
Athletics for Kids funds BC children, who are currently enrolled in school, up to \$450 per year for sports registration fees so they can play the sports that they love!  
**Here's how to apply:** See if you're eligible for funding by going to our website at [a4k.ca](http://a4k.ca) and clicking "Apply Now"  
604-221-7529  
[info@a4k.ca](mailto:info@a4k.ca)  
[/athletics4kids](http://athletics4kids)

**Pop Up PLAY**  
**Take a (Story) Walk with Us!**  
Families with children ages 0-6 are invited to join us on Saturday March 2, 2024  
Free, no registration required  
What's a Story Walk? A multi-sensory experience where children enjoy interactive books, music, art and the outdoors.  
Come dressed for the weather! These walks are stroller and child friendly.  
When: **Saturday, March 2, 2024 (10:00-11:00 am)**  
Event: POP Up PLAY- Story and Play with Katie Brock  
Location: Meet at the covered picnic area at John Lawson Park. We will walk together through the park, immerse ourselves in story, and use our senses to participate in a fun scavenger hunt  
**A bit about Katie**  
Katie Brock is a beloved children's musician from Horseshoe Bay. She is an energetic, fun-loving performer who enjoys sharing her catchy tunes with both children and grownups alike. An avid outdoor enthusiast, Katie loves to sing, dance and make joyful music together with families in nature!  
In partnership with the West Vancouver Memorial Library and North Shore Community Resources. We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of BC through the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

### The 2024-2025 Premier Academies are open for registration! Please visit

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/> for further information.

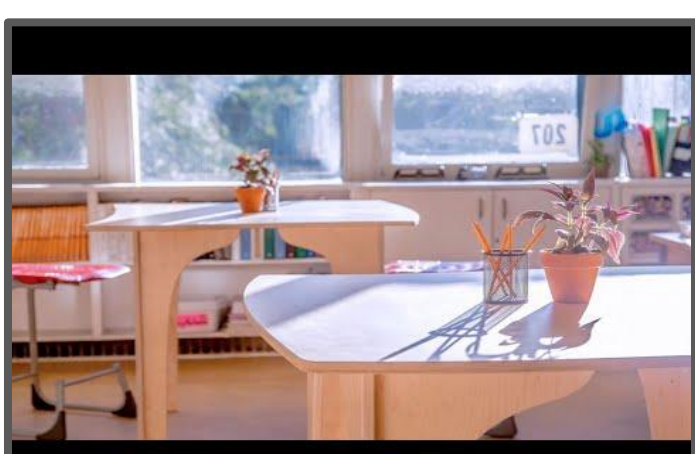
**Premier Academies:** Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball

### 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/chrkenedy>

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.

### 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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