

Thursday, February 29, 2024 E-Bulletin



Bear Calendar

March 1	Fri	ArtStarts - Interactive Fairy Tales Bear Wear Day
March 4	Mon	Happy Monday
March 5	Tues	Gr 7 First Aid and CPR Course, Full Day Field Trip: Grade 1 & 2 students are going to the Vancouver Aquarium
March 6	Wed	Primary Snack Program: Bagel and cream cheese Student Led Conference - Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm
March 8	Fri	Kindie Vision Screening Bear Wear
March 10	Sun	Daylight Savings Time Change
Future Dates to Note		
March 13	Wed	Rescheduled Kindie Hearing Screening
March 14	Thur	Jump Rope for Heart
March 15	Fri	Term 2 Learning Updates will be posted
March 18 - 29		Spring Break
April 2	Tues	School Reopens
April 8-12		Ultimate Week for Grade 4-7 students
April 8	Mon	Saleema Noon Parent Zoom meeting at 6:30 pm
April 11 & 12	Thur	Saleema Noon Student Sessions

[2023/2024 iDEC School Calendar](#)

Learning at IDEC

Hello Families,

Happy Thursday, everyone. We have had a great week celebrating our Bear Traits here at Caulfeild IDEC. Our Pink Shirt Day activities are a wonderful way to celebrate being Respectful, Inclusive, Reflective and, more than anything else, being Upstanders. The message of Pink Shirt Day is about Anti-Bullying. Students at IDEC got together in our multi-age groups to listen to Mr. Blackburn read the story "Kindness is my Superpower" and to answer the question, "If you had a superpower, how would you use it to help others."

Speaking of Bear Traits, this week our primary grade Be the Bear Draw winners are Ayaka (supportive) and Isla (upstander). Hannah and Amanda, both in grade 6, also won for being inclusive. Congrats as well to Joy (EA) who was nominated by students in Division 2 for "always helping us."

Congratulations to our Basketball teams. They played their Jamborees at West Vancouver Secondary School this week. The boys games are ongoing as I write this on Thursday afternoon, but the girls found success by winning the District Championship at their Jamboree on Wednesday.

All month, students have volunteered to read and share about influential Black Canadians and their impact on Canadian culture, art, politics, etc. We have had over 90 students share their learning, and I was proud to share so much of it on the announcements, and display it for our community in the hallway.

-Nathan



2024 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Save the date! Summer Learning registration opens on Monday, April 8 at 8:00 a.m. For more information, please refer to the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or the [Summer Learning Website](#).

Text Messaging – For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via SMS

Please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.

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

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 in 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. Parking has been seen to stop 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 whose 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 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.

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 or use the call back line (604-981-1205) if your child will be late or absent from school.



CPAC Announcements

Interested In Joining CPAC Exec?

At CPAC Exec, we're all about teaming up with our school's teachers and administration to make learning fun and fruitful for our kids, offering everything from the latest tech to exciting learning opportunities. We also keep our school community buzzing with engaging events, tasty Hot Lunches, after-school fun, and sessions that keep parents in the know.

We're a friendly bunch of parents eager for fresh ideas and new faces. **That's why we're inviting Caulfeild parents and caregivers to join our Exec team next term.** Come attend our meetings, shadow a chair, a treasurer, an after-school program coordinator or any other Exec team member, and find your fit with us. Curious about joining or just want to see what we do? Shoot us an email at capac@wvschools.ca. **Let's make a difference together!**



JOIN US

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](https://www.whatsapp.com/group/CAPAC%20News%202023/2024) or scan the QR Code.



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

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.

All Tickets Only \$15

Offer Valid Fri, Feb 16 to Tue, Feb 20, 2024

Use Code **FAM15**

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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 Center

This event is free

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR LINK TO THE EVENT PLEASE REGISTER AT [DPAC@WVSCHOOLS.CA](https://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

ROCKRIDGE MUSIC PRESENTS

JAZZ CAFÉ

featuring **ROCKRIDGE JAZZ ENSEMBLES**

TERESA MARIE & THE THREE

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

6:30 pm

Doors open at 6:00 pm

\$15 Tickets

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: t.hamner@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.

ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WV COMMUNITY CENTRE / GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

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

Explore the Learning Program: www.westvancouver.ca/learning

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

Athletics - Kids

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 and clicking "Apply Now"

604-221-7529
info@a4k.ca

/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.

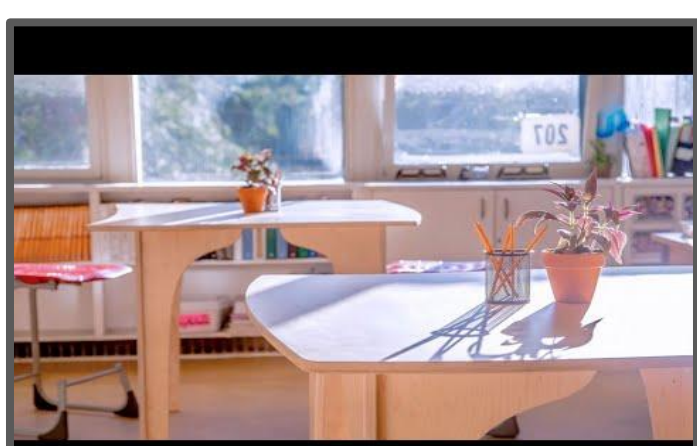
Premier Academies: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball

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](#)



[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

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Tag us in your school success stories using our hashtag



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