



CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY 📃 E-BULLETIN

Thursday, June 20, 2024 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

June 21	Fri	Bear Wear		
June 24	Mon	Happy Monday		
June 25	Tues	Grade 5 Stearman Beach Party		
June 26	Wed	Kindergarten Stearman Beach Party		
June 27	Thur	Last Day of School - early dismissal at 12:10 pm		
June 28	Fri	Administrative Day - No School in Session		
Future Dates to Note				
September 3	Tues	First Day of School for Gr 1 - 7		
September 4	Wed	First Day of School for Kindergarten - Gradual Entry		
September 17	Tues	First Cross Country Meet 3:45		
September 20	Fri	Professional Day - No School in Session		
September 26	Thur	Student Photo Day Welcome Back BBQ		
September 27	Fri	Orange Shirt Day		

Learning at iDEC

2023/2024 iDEC School Calendar / 2024-2025 iDEC School Calendar

Hello Families,

Today was our **Grade 7 Farewell**. We are so proud of this incredible cohort of respectful, inclusive and curious learners students who have modelled the Bear Traits in all they do. My thanks to our Grade 7 Farewell planning committee, including Viviane and Alejandra, and to all of the volunteers who helped make this day special.

Thank you to Ms. Salmon and all of our performers at the **iDEC Variety Show** on Friday. It is so wonderful to see all of the Caulfeild talent on display, and it is a joy to see how proud our students are to share their talents with their fellow students. While we still have a few more performances scheduled for our next assembly on June 27th, we do have a video to share of our <u>Variety Show</u> performances from last week.

When there is a lot going on at school, you can always count on <u>iDEC News</u> to bring you all the updates, interviews and information you need. This month's broadcast includes information about Robotics, Track and Field and the Reading Link Challenge.

-Nathan







Staffing Updates

We have a few staffing changes for the 2024/2025 school year to share with families.

- As we have shared, Ms. Carsky will be leaving for a full time position at another school. Ms. Beverly-Ann Lehman will be joining the team at Caulfeild iDEC as a full time Learning Support Teacher.
- Ms. Chou has decided to move to a part time position, and will be with us for two days a week.
- Jessica Cassidy will join Suzanne Seward as part of our growing ELL team on Wednesdays.

Communicating Student Learning Documents

On June 27th (the last day of school), Communication Student Learning documents will be posted to the Family Portal.

- Click <u>HERE</u> to log into MyEd BC with your Family Portal account login information this week.
- It is likely you will need to reset your password. This must be done on a COMPUTER (PC or laptop) and will not work on a smartphone or tablet.
- If you do not have your login information or need assistance, please email Ms. Schier at caulfeild@wvschools.ca
- AIP ELL Reports will be posted to the Family Portal in the final week of school
- IEP Reports will be posted to the Family Portal the same week

Access to this report closes on July 30th, 2024. <u>We ask all parents to download a copy for your records.</u>

Personal Digital Devices in Schools

On January 26th, 2024, the Province announced three significant actions to enhance the safety and well-being of students in relation to digital technology, including the introduction of restrictions on the use of personal digital devices in schools (this would apply to cell phones, laptops, tablets, smartwatches, etc.). These updated policies will be in place for the 24-25 school year.

Most West Vancouver Schools already have technology guidelines in place. We recognize that the unregulated use of personal devices can be a significant distraction from learning. These devices can interrupt class time, interfere with student focus and disrupt the educational environment. However, we also understand that when used thoughtfully and with supervision, digital technology can offer valuable opportunities for our students. These tools can enhance the learning by enabling students to create content, communicate, collaborate and share.

Starting in September we will be refocusing our approach with personal digital device use in both elementary and secondary schools. In compliance with our technology guidelines, personal digital devices will only be used with the direct permission of the teacher and/or administrator, who will provide clear guidelines to ensure their use is intentional and purposeful in supporting student learning. Additionally, considerations will be made to accommodate students' medical and health needs, accessibility, and accommodation requirements.

Applicable times:

Elementary Schools: Personal digital device expectations will be in effect throughout the full school day, including before school, after school, and during break times.

More detailed information about these new expectations will be shared at the start of the 2024-25 school year. In September, we will ask parents and guardians to support these guidelines by minimizing calls and texts to their children during school hours. It is important for students to remain focused and engaged in their learning without the expectation of responding immediately to messages. We also encourage families to start thinking about how they can support these new expectations to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation as we work together to create a safe and productive learning environment

Lost and Found

Please pick up by June 21st! Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity after June 21st!

Planning Ahead 2024 - 2025

Please download this form and return it to the office if you wish to provide input into the **placement process** for next year classes. While we try to accommodate requests, class placement is a complex process and we cannot guarantee that requests will be honoured. Remember that the first day of school is **September 3rd**, for grades 1-7 and September 4th for new Kindergarten students. <u>All registered students must arrive on that day to guarantee a space at Caulfeild iDEC</u>

Caulfeild is growing! At 383 students, we have more students than we have ever had enrolled. As families and children come to our community, it is our responsibility to to provide space for them at school. This means that many divisions will 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 <u>HERE</u>.

Not returning next year?, please notify Ms. Schier as soon as possible via email at caulfeild@wvschools.ca Thank you for helping us keep our records and planning up to date.

Band Registration and Information

If you have a child in grades 5 or 6, registration is now open for our 2024/2025 Band program at iDEC

Ms. Salmon's Band program is truly remarkable. Here at Caulfeild, students have two Band lessons a week. During this time, students will learn about music theory, performance and ensemble skills, as well as the technical aspects of playing their instrument. The program is designed not only to teach students these skills, but also as a preparatory program for the Band programs offered at each of our secondary schools .

Throughout the year, our Caulfeild iDEC band performs for the school at assemblies and performances, as well as at events in the community, such as the West Vancouver Community Cultural Festival. Band is an enriching and exciting program for students.

Visit this website to register today:

https://westvancouverschools.ca/programs/elementary-band/

School Supplies for September 2024 iDEC

Supply kits are now available to order and will be delivered directly to your home so you have the ability to pre-label your child's supplies and add supplies to your order for home use or for another child outside our school. Please click on the link of your child's grade for next year. You will then see the list of supplies. Create an account and complete your shopping cart order

<u>KINDERGARTEN</u>	<u>GRADE 1</u>	<u>GRADE 2</u>	<u>GRADE 3</u>
GRADE 4	GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7

Daily Health Checks



Parents are asked to do daily health checks of children before sending children to school. As flu and cold season is still 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 <u>caulfeild@wvschools.ca</u> 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.

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

We want to thank all of you for another amazing year. Thanks to our amazing parent volunteers, we were able to run our Hot Lunch program every day and organize fun events for our students and community such as Pumpkin Hunt, Lunar New Year Celebration, Santa Sale, Movie and Bingo nights, Spring Fling, and many others.

Thanks to your generous donations, we were able to sponsor Arts and Sports programs for the kids, field trips for every classroom, online licenses and subscriptions, music and sports equipment, teaching materials and resources, Chromebooks, sound-field system, viewboards, and an upgrade to the AV system in the gym, etc.

We would like to thank our outgoing 2023-2024 CPAC Exec Team for all their hard work and commitment to our school and community. Special thanks to Aneela Mallik, who led our school through COVID years and beyond, and Zahra Ladha who has been on the PAC Exec for 6 years and contributed so much to our community.

Year-End Reports Are Ready

- CPAC's year-end report can be found here: Read Now
- CPAC 2024-2025 Budget here: Read Now
- Principal Blackburn's year-end report here: Read Now

Connect with Us Website: https://westvancouverschools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/ WhatsApp Group: CPAC News - 2023/2024 Email: capac@wvschools.ca

WV Community Corner



Click HERE for more information







WV Basketball Club Summer Camps

The end of the school year is here which means the WVBC summer camps are just a few weeks away. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVS Teacher/ Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. Space is limited so best not to delay in signing up. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to http://www.wvbc.ca



Summer Camp Registrations are <u>Now Open</u>: <u>www.westvancouver.ca/camps</u>

Summer Music & Language Program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 5th Private lessons, group guitar, music theory intensive, adult French classes, preschool weekly music class, etc...

Other Summer Program Registrations (Gymnastics, Swimming, Sports, etc) open on Wednesday, June 19th.

Live! Music Series Returns on June 12th, 4:30-5:30pm at WVCC Atrium. Free. Everyone Welcome!

Summer Fun Fest at West Vancouver Community Centre, on Saturday, July 20th.

Browse all your recreation activities and programs here: https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers





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 <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



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.

<u>iDEC Virtual Tour</u> 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.

CONNECT WITH US! #westvaned Tag us in your school success stories using our hastag



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