

Thursday, November 7, 2024 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

November 8	Fri	Remembrance Day Assembly at 11:00 am. See below for details
November 11	Mon	<i>Remembrance Day</i> - no school in session
November 12	Tues	Professional Development Day - no school in session
November 13	Wed	
November 14	Thur	
November 15	Fri	Bear Wear
Future Dates to Note		
November 26	Tue	CPAC meeting 7:00 pm (virtual)
December 3	Tue	Kindergarten Hearing Clinic
December 6	Fri	Santa Sale
December 16	Mon	Safer Spaces - Online Safety Seminars for intermediate students
December 19	Thu	Winter Concert
December 20	Fri	Last day of school - and 1st term Report cards will be posted
January 6	Mon	School Reopens

Learning at IDEC

Hello Families,

[2024-2025 IDEC School Calendar](#)

Last week our Ebulletin was so jam packed that we couldn't include any pictures. So today, aside from a few reminders, it's all photos from our Halloween parade, pumpkin patch, pumpkin carving, volleyball and Dance Week. Thanks to all of our teachers and volunteers for making these fun events possible.

If you have any questions or concerns about school zone safety related to neighbourhood traffic, email details to me at nblackburn@wvschools.ca prior to Nov 12th and I will share these concerns with the District of West Vancouver at our next School Safety Assessment meeting.

As we begin another three year improvement cycle, we ask that parents help us to sharpen our focus by sharing what is most important to them. **Please provide your feedback [HERE](#).**

-Nathan



Remembrance Day

As part of our Remembrance Day Service we asked families to share their personal family connections to those that have served in military service.

Due to the limited capacity of our school gym, we can only make 30 seats available to guests on a first come, first served basis. Last year, we did have to turn people away. My apologies in advance if that's the case again this year. Doors open at 10:35.

Dance!

Students enjoyed the Royal Academy of the Punjab at our school for a week of Dance. The Royal Academy's goal is to provide awareness and opportunities for fusion, exploration and connection through dance.

MyED Parent Portal Access

Our first term marks will be posted on the My Ed Parent Portal in December. If you are not familiar with this site, now is a good time to make sure you can access your account. Here is a helpful link to access your Parent Portal. Please email cschier@wvschools.ca if you need any assistance with your login or password.

Extra Halloween Candy

Once again this year at IDEC you will be able to donate your extra candy until November 15th. We will use these donations to give back to a North Shore charity. Last year donated candy went to the Lookout Society. We would also like to ask that students continue to bring healthy snacks to school to fuel their body for learning. This not only helps fuel our learners nutritiously, but ensures wrappers are properly recycled at home.

Reminder that School Starts at 8:30 am

We appreciate your best efforts to help Caulfeild have a successful start to each day, however we are noticing many students are arriving to school late. We strongly encourage students arrive and leave school during their scheduled times. We understand that there are occasional extenuating circumstances that cannot be helped. Please keep in mind that the staff at IDEC want all our learners to have the best possible start to their school day. Schedules and routines are extremely important to a child's development and academic achievement as key concepts and lessons begin at the start of our school day. Thank you for your cooperation in following these procedures as they help minimize classroom disruptions.

Registration for 2025-2026

Applications for Kindergarten (in-catchment, out of catchment and out of district) AND for in-catchment registrations in Grades 1-12 is open. Please note that current Caulfeild students are not required to re-apply for the next school year. Grade 7 students going to Rockridge also do not need to apply, they will automatically transfer. Rockridge counsellors will visit us in late winter/early spring to distribute transfer forms at that time. **HOWEVER**, if your first choice for a secondary school is not Rockridge then you must complete an online application according to the student registration timelines. Please see this link for the deadlines.

Dress for the Weather

Fall is here and so is the rain! All recess periods will be outside regardless of the weather unless extreme conditions make outdoor play unsafe. Please ensure you send your children to school equipped for outdoor play. With the amazing playgrounds and outdoor spaces we have at IDEC, embracing the natural world is an expectation. Outdoor recreation periods are an important part of a child's physical activity and social time. Please send your children to school equipped with raincoats, hats and boots for rainy days.



Pick Up and Drop Off: Important Reminders

All students in K-7 will be dismissed at 2:30 pm, except on Wednesdays when we dismiss at 2:00. For orderly and quick dismissal, please park using the street parking and walk to the designated pick-up space near the top of the roundabout. With all students dismissed together, the driving through the roundabout should only be used by families who absolutely need to remain in the car, with priority for primary students, as we expect lineups to be busy and long. If your child is not ready (outside and waiting), we may need to move you along and out of the line in order to keep traffic moving.

- Please **DO NOT** stop for pick up and drop off at the north side crosswalk on Caulfeild Drive. This is a no stopping zone because stopping puts students in dangerous situations. There are places to stop preceding and following the crosswalk. Check for signage. WVPD will support periodic enforcement of this area.

- Car (Gr. 7): Please use parking spaces along Caulfeild Drive so your child can safely enter your vehicle. Do not stop on Caulfeild Drive unless there is a parking space available. Please reserve at least two parking spaces near the front for students and families with accessibility needs.

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 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.

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

Santa Sale - We Need Your Help

The kids' most beloved event of the year, Santa Sale, will take place on Friday December 6. It invites students to shop for gifts for their family members. Each item at the sale is \$2. All proceeds will go to the charities chosen by the Gr 6/7 'Local Initiatives Club'.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Help make the best sale possible for the students! From November 18th to December 5th families are asked to **donate new or gently used items for the sale**. Please donate as early as possible. **The sale is only as good as the items donated (all items must be in good condition!!)**. There will be donation boxes located in the primary hallway and outside near the roundabout. Students or parents can drop off donation items.

Donation Item Ideas: Cool kitchen items, Christmas stuff, home décor, sealed toiletries, new purses, jewelry, puzzles and board games (complete sets), books, picture frames, toddler or baby items (no clothes), candles, toys, DIY items you or your kids have made i.e. jewelry, clay creations.

Not Accepted: Clothes, shoes, damaged or broken items, unusable sports equipment, personalized paraphernalia, food, sharp objects, used or open toiletry, and delicate glassware such as wine glasses or dinnerware.

As a school community, we rely on fundraising to support our school to continue delivering iDEC program and other amazing learning experiences. Donations are accepted all year long - please use the link below if you would like to make a donation.

[DONATE HERE](#)

Did you know?

- Field trips cost over \$16,000 annually.
- Technology replacements and upgrades require about \$13,000 each year.
- We allocate \$9,500 for teacher discretionary funds to enhance classroom experiences.
- Curriculum enhancements, including sports and arts programs, cost around \$8,000.
- School improvements to learning spaces and classrooms total over \$6,000.

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Website: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/>

WhatsApp Group: [CPAC News - 2023/2024](#)

Email: capac@wvschools.ca

WV Community Events

Community Connections & Events

ongoing	West Vancouver Rec Centre Pro D Camps
ongoing	West Vancouver Memorial Library Special Events
ongoing	West Vancouver Memorial Library School Library Card Project
ongoing	West Vancouver Little League Registration information
oct	West Vancouver Soccer Registration information
oct 17	Vancouver Coastal Health Foundry session
oct 16 - nov 20	West Vancouver District - youth events Rise UP and Y.Mind



Click [HERE](#) to access the links



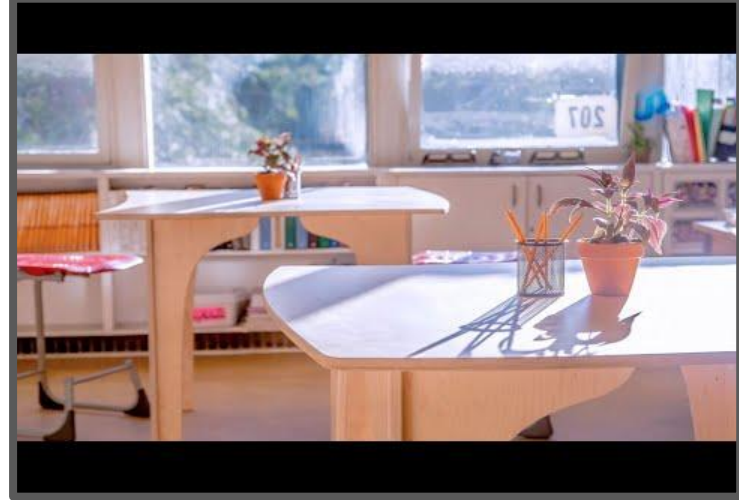
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Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

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.

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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.



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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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