

Thursday, January 23, 2025 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

January 24	Fri	Bear Wear Friday
January 27	Mon	Pro-d Day no school in session
January 28	Tues	CPAC Meeting at 8:30 am in Learning Commons
January 31	Fri	Lunar New Year School Events Bear Wear Friday
Future Dates to Note		
February 3	Mon	Foundry Vaping Presentation - Grade 6 & 7 students
February 4	Tues	Basketball Game #2
February 5	Wed	Grade 7 Farewell Meeting 8:45 am in the Learning Commons
February 6	Thurs	Divs 4, 5 and 6 Skating Trip
February 11	Tues	Basketball Game #3
February 13	Thurs	Jump Rope for Heart
February 14	Fri	Reading Break - no school in session
February 17	Mon	Family Day Holiday - no school in session
February 18	Tues	Basketball Game #4
February 20	Thur	CPAC Movie Night
March 13	Thus	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i> Whole School Performance, Daytime and Evening Shows

Learning at iDEC

2024-2025 iDEC School Calendar

Hello Families,

There's so much to share this week! To start, a few pictures of the field trips to the H.R. Macmillan Space Centre (Divs 6,7,8) and Polygon Art Gallery (Divs 10 and 9) Thanks to CPAC and Parent Volunteers for making it possible, and thanks to coaches Stevens and Vukelic for leading the boys and girls basketball teams to their first victories on Tuesday!

-Nathan



Staff Announcement

We are happy to welcome Juliana Lane to the Caulfeild team! Ms. Lane will be stepping into Mrs. Bradford's role by working in Division 8 while Ms. Bradford is on maternity leave. Ms. Lane has worked in a number of Caulfeild classrooms throughout the year and is excited to become a regular member of the team on January 27th.

Student Learning Surveys

Each year the Ministry of Education and Childhood conducts a province-wide survey soliciting input from students in Grades 4, 7, 10, 11, and 12 and their parents/guardians as well as school staff members regarding satisfaction of school operations and student performance. The results from these surveys provide us with important feedback for our school and are helpful in developing our school goals and plans. However, this information is only useful if we have a good response from our community stakeholders. Your child will complete their survey at school in the coming weeks. You can learn more about the student survey [here](#). We place a high value on community involvement so we strongly encourage all parents to take advantage of the opportunity to share their views as well.

To complete the survey, which takes approximately 30 minutes, please follow the steps below:

1. [Click here](#).
2. You do not require a Logon # to access the parent survey.
3. Select the District (*45 West Vancouver*), School and language of preference and then click Log On.
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate bubbles.
5. Your survey has been submitted directly to the Ministry of Education when the window states, "Thank you for sharing your views."

Your responses are voluntary and anonymous, and your child will not be identified as a result of your participation in the survey. Any personal or identifying information will be deleted before results are stored. Data will be stored and accessible only within Canada.

The survey closes on May 2, 2025. Thank you for your time and feedback!

Foundational Skills Assessment

Students in Grades Four and Seven across British Columbia completed assessments in Literacy and Numeracy in November. These annual assessments of academic skills provide parents, teachers, school, school district, and the ministry with important information on student progress. Caulfeild iDEC parents and guardians of Grade Four and Seven learners, please check your children's backpacks as their marked assessments will be sent home last week. The assessments are a snapshot of your child's progress. Please note that this is the **ONLY** copy of your child's booklet

Personal Digital Device Expectations

As we begin a new term, we'd like to remind students and families of our **Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations**, which have been key to fostering focused and engaging learning environments.

Students are expected to use personal digital devices only with the explicit permission of a teacher or administrator, ensuring their use is intentional and supports learning.

Families can continue to support this by:

- Encouraging balanced screen time at home.
- Avoiding calls or texts to students during school hours.
- Modeling mindful device use when on school property and at home.

Let's keep building on the success of this initiative and continue supporting safe, focused learning for all!

West Vancouver Registration

If you have students in your family or network who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.

West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student.

To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: [West Vancouver Schools Admissions](#)

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

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.

Dress for the Weather

All recess periods will be outside regardless of the weather unless extreme conditions make outdoor play unsafe. Please ensure your children are dressed 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.



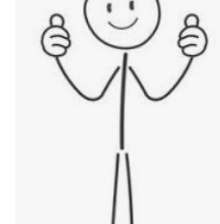
Pick Up and Drop Off: Important Reminders

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

CPAC General Meeting

Our first general meeting of 2025 will take place on Tuesday, January 28 at 8:45 am in the non-fiction room next to the library. All parents and guardians of Caulfeild students are encouraged to attend. You will have a chance to meet other parents, hear what's happening at the school from CPAC Exec and the school principal, ask your questions and share your feedback.



Lunar New Year Volunteers!

One of the most exciting events Lunar New Year Celebration is coming up on January 31 and we need volunteers to help with the setup on January 30 at 2:30pm as well as on the day of the event January 31 during the school hours. Please email capac@wvschools.ca if you can help.

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.

Connect with Us

Website: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/>
WhatsApp Group: [CPAC News - 2023/2024](#)

Email: capac@wvschools.ca

WV Community Events

Community Connections & Events

January 29	Foundry North Shore - Keeping Kids Safe Online Register here.
February 1	North Shore Health & Wellbeing Fair Register here.
ongoing	West Vancouver Rec Centre Upcoming Events.
ongoing	West Vancouver Otters Swimming Registration information.
ongoing	West Vancouver Memorial Library Information.
ongoing	West Vancouver Soccer Registration information.
ongoing	West Vancouver Little League Registration information.
ongoing	West Vancouver Field Hockey Registration information.

Click [HERE](#) to access the links

Youth Department

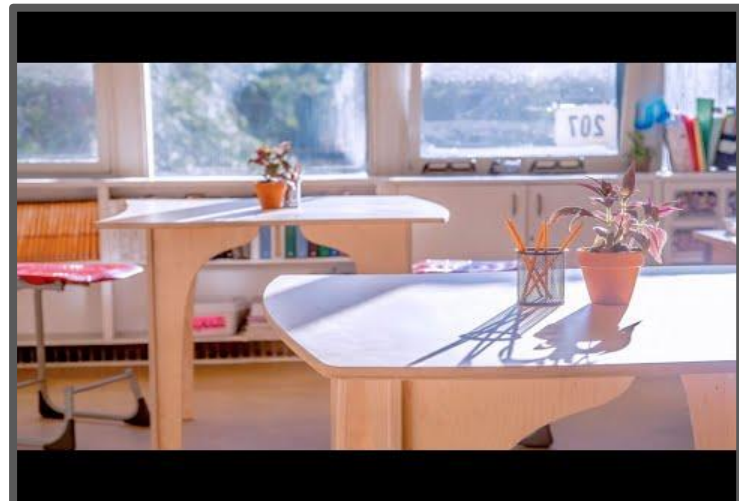
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Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

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.



[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.

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