

## Thursday, February 27 2025 E-Bulletin

### Bear Calendar

<b>February 28</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Bear Wear Friday
<b>March 3</b>	<b>Mon</b>	Div 6, 7, & 8 Inquiry Showcase
<b>March 4</b>	<b>Tues</b>	
<b>March 5</b>	<b>Wed</b>	
<b>March 6</b>	<b>Thur</b>	Intermediate AI Literacy Session (Gr 4-7)
<b>March 7</b>	<b>Fri</b>	
<b>Future Dates to Note</b>		
<b>March 13</b>	<b>Thur</b>	<i>The Wizard of Oz</i> Whole School Performance, Daytime and Evening Shows
<b>March 17 - 28</b>		Spring Break - <b>no school in session</b>
<b>April 7</b>	<b>Mon</b>	Immunization Clinic #2
<b>April 7 - 11</b>		Scholastic Book Fair
<b>April 8</b>	<b>Tues</b>	Ultimate Game #1
<b>April 11</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Anna Rice Badminton Cupcake Sale for the Grade 7 Farewell Div 4 Field trip to Backpack Buddies in the morning

## Learning at iDEC

### [2024-2025 iDEC School Calendar](#)

Hello Families,

A huge thank you to our volunteers and CPAC for organizing a fantastic **Movie Night!** Your efforts made it a wonderful event for our school community. Each year, Canadians across the country come together on [Pink Shirt Day](#) to reflect on the power of kindness in our schools and communities. This year at Caulfeild iDEC, the whole school celebrated a *Caught by the Bearathon*, where every student at Caulfeild recognized the bear traits in others with our Bear Paws, resulting in over 400 Bear Paws on display! Our **basketball** teams had a great showing at the Jamborees at West Vancouver Secondary. The girls played on Wednesday, and while the boys games needed to be postponed, we will know shortly when we can reschedule. Well done to all our athletes, and thank you to our coaches.

After last week's **earthquake**, we were happy to report that all students and staff were safe. Caulfeild staff and students are prepared for emergencies, as we conduct regular drills and practices. As an added precaution, staff will review emergency planning for this month, and as a community, we will hold a full student release drill in the spring to practice emergency procedures in the event that the school is considered unsafe, and students need to be picked up.

Grade 7 students completed their **CPR and First Aid** training this week—thank you to CPAC for supporting this important program! Check out the information below to learn more about our **Wizard of Oz School Musical** on March 13th!

-Nathan



## The Wizard of Oz - Tickets and Information

We are excited to host our school musical, "The Wizard of Oz" with all students performing in both shows on March 13th! Two Shows; 10:40 and 5:30pm.

Due to the large size of our school, we must limit ticket sales to two tickets per family in total.

- Tickets: \$10 each, with all proceeds supporting the iDEC music program
- Purchasing Tickets: Tickets can be purchased through School Cash Online starting on February 28.

Additional Information:

- If families mistakenly purchase more than two tickets, extra tickets will be cancelled and refunded due to space constraints.
- To join the waitlist for extra tickets or to let us know your family will not attend, please email Catherine Schier at [caulfeild@wvschools.ca](mailto:caulfeild@wvschools.ca).
- If extra tickets are available closer to the performance, we will contact families on the waitlist.

Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you at the show!

## Planning Ahead: Enrollment 2025 / 2026

As you plan your summer vacations, please remember that school resumes on Tuesday, September 2, 2025. We expect all students to be present on the first day (except for kindergarten, which will have a different start schedule), and all students must be at school by the end of the day on Thursday, September 4, 2025, to confirm enrollment at Caulfeild iDEC. Thank you for your cooperation—we look forward to another great school year!

If you are not planning to return next year, please notify Ms. Schier as soon as possible via email at [caulfeild@wvschools.ca](mailto:caulfeild@wvschools.ca). Providing this information early helps with planning for the upcoming school year, ensuring that resources, class organization, and staffing are properly managed. Your timely response allows the school to make necessary adjustments and provide the best possible learning environment for all students. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

## 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!

## 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!

## 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.

## 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](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.

## 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

*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](mailto:capac@wvschools.ca)

## WV Community Events

# Community Connections & Events



April 5	KidSport New & Used equipment sale <a href="#">Information</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Rec Centre <a href="#">Upcoming Events</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Otters Swimming <a href="#">Registration information</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Memorial Library <a href="#">Information</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Soccer <a href="#">Registration information</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Little League <a href="#">Registration information</a>
ongoing	West Vancouver Field Hockey <a href="#">Registration information</a>



Click [HERE](#) to access the links



## Youth Department

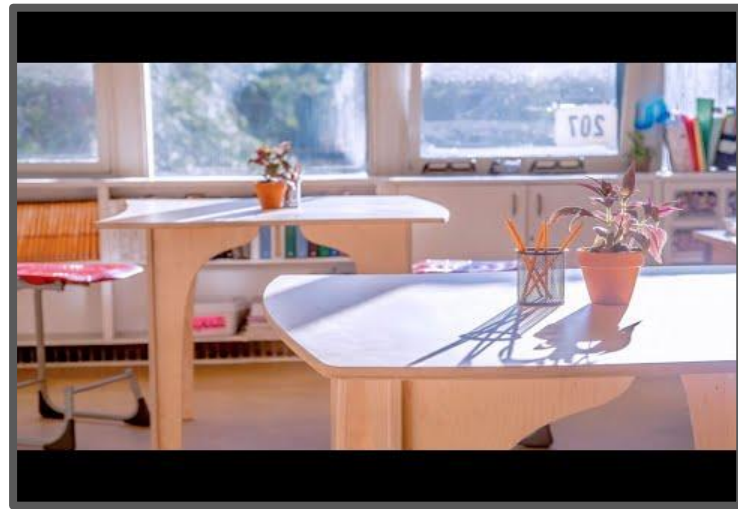
Click [Here](#) for more information

### 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 US! #westvaned

Tag us in your school success stories using our hashtag



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#### Connect with Caulfeild iDEC

School Website: [Caulfeild iDEC Elementary](#)

Phone: 604 981-1200

Email: [Caulfeild@wvschools.ca](mailto:Caulfeild@wvschools.ca)

Twitter and Instagram: [@caulfeildschool](#)