

Thursday, March 13 2025 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

March 14	Fri	Learning Updates posted to Parent Portal. Please download your copy.
March 31	Mon	School is back in Session
Future Dates to Note		
April 7	Mon	Immunization Clinic #2
April 9 - 11		Scholastic Book Fair
April 8	Tues	Ultimate Game #1
April 11	Fri	Anna Rice Badminton Cupcake Sale for the Grade 7 Farewell Div 4 Field trip to Backpack Buddies in the morning
April 17	Thur	Gr 5 Reading Link Challenge
April 18	Fri	Good Friday - no school in session

[2024-2025 IDEC School Calendar](#)

Learning at IDEC

Hello Families,

This term has been an exciting one, highlighted by our incredible production of *The Wizard of Oz*! Our students brought the classic story to life with talent, energy, and enthusiasm, making it a truly memorable experience for all. A special thank you to Ms. Yu and Ms. Salmon, as well as our parent volunteers, for their hard work and dedication in bringing this production together—it would not have been possible without them.

Tomorrow (Friday), your child's **Term 2 Learning Update** will be posted to the family portal. All families should ensure that they have access to the portal. Please reach out to Catherine at cschier@wvschools.ca if you have any questions. When you read the Learning Update, please be sure to download and save a copy for your records. Learning Updates do not remain on the portal indefinitely.

Thank you to the families who set up our **Haft Seen Table** in our foyer in recognition of Norwuz!

See page two for registration for **After School Clubs**. Sign up for one of our many wonderful programs today! I want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our parents for their support throughout the term. Your encouragement and involvement make a world of difference. Wishing you all a restful and joyful break!

-Nathan



The **Scholastic Book Fair** is back this year! Parents are invited to their child's usual Library Session from **April 9th to 11th**. All parents, friends and family members are welcome to come listen to a story with their children read by our school librarian, Mrs Smith, and shop at the Fair during this time too. We will also have Open Shopping during the school day in case these times do not work for you and after school shopping during this week. [Library Schedule](#)

The Book Fair is a fantastic way to continue to give our students access to the books they want to read. We are so happy that students and parents can come to the Fair at Caulfeild and choose their next favourite book!

All purchases benefit our school and earn Rewards that can be redeemed for books and Education Resources for our classrooms and school library. With the funds raised last year, we bought over 300 new books for the school! Teachers will create Wish Lists for their classroom libraries that can be found at the Fair.

If you wish to volunteer for the Fair, you can register on [Sign Up Genius](#).

There are a few fun ways you can choose to volunteer:

- 1) Setting up the Fair (arranging books by age groups on display tables, arranging merchandise and the book stalls in the library).
- 2) Help children with their purchases during your child's Library session or after School Open Shopping.
- 3) Packing up the book fair (packing up the books/merchandise and tallying).

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 7 at 8:00 AM.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or on the [Summer Learning Website](#).

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. 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!

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

Hot Lunch - Term 3

Hot Lunch for Spring Session is now open! Make sure to place your orders by Sunday, March 23rd to ensure your children will have lunch for Monday, March 31st!

25% of hot lunch sales go directly to Caulfeild Elementary to help update learning areas, purchase new equipment, pay for guest educators, as well as a whole lot more!

Thank you for your support!

Great news! Registration for our **spring term after school program** offering is now open!

Register [here](#):

- **Monday** Chess Club (Grade 1-7) Basketball (Grade 2-4)
- **Tuesday** Lights Up Musical Theatre (Kindergarten-7)
- **Wednesday** Multi-Sport (Grade 1-4) & Zen Maker's Lab (Grade 4-7)
- **Thursday** Farsi Class (Grade 1-5)
- **Friday** West Vancouver Little League Academy (Grade 1-4)

Scholastic Book Fair Volunteer Sign Up

Our Annual Scholastic Book Fair that raises funds for the school library will take place on April 9-11th. We need your help setting it up and running it. Please have a look at the available slots and sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0548ADAA2FA4FE3-55573382-scholastic>. As always we cannot do it without you. Thank you!

Grade 7 Farewell committee

Hello everyone we are raising money for our grade 7 graduation. We will be selling candies and treats at the door before both daytime and even showings of Wizard of Oz musical. All proceeds go to grade 7 Farewell Committee.

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

Registration is Open for the following West Vancouver Schools Academy Programs:

- Basketball: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/basketball/>
- Field Hockey: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey/>
- Soccer: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/soccer/>
- Tennis: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/tennis/>

West Vancouver Basketball Club Spring Program

The WVBC Spring Basketball Program begins after Spring Break and there are still some spaces available. This spring, the WVBC will be offering sessions for players in Grades 2-9. All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

Community Connections & Events

April 5	KidSport New & Used equipment sale Information
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



Spring Break offerings

[West Vancouver Rec Centre](#)

[West Vancouver Football Club](#)

[West Vancouver Field Hockey](#)

[West Vancouver Memorial Library](#)

[Vancouver Aquarium](#)

[Science World](#)

[UBC Camps](#)

[SFU Camps](#)

[West Vancouver Tennis Club](#)

Click [HERE](#) to access the links

See [HERE](#) for more information about the **BCTESG RESP Grant**



Reminder to get your vaccinations updated. Measles is on the rise globally and pertussis (whooping cough) is making a comeback locally. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.



Click [Here](#) for more information

Parent Workshop #1
WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER
Simple solutions for building durable kids

When: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday, April 5th

Where: West Vancouver Community Centre, (Garden Room) 2121 Marine Drive

Who: Parents & guardians of children (beginning Kindergarten September 2025)

To register click [HERE](#)

● this parent series is hosted in partnership with the West Vancouver Community Centre

Questions: email mparackal@wvschools.ca

for incoming kindergarten parents and guardians

Limited childcare spots available. To register for childcare call 604-925-7270 and mention the workshop with code 187253

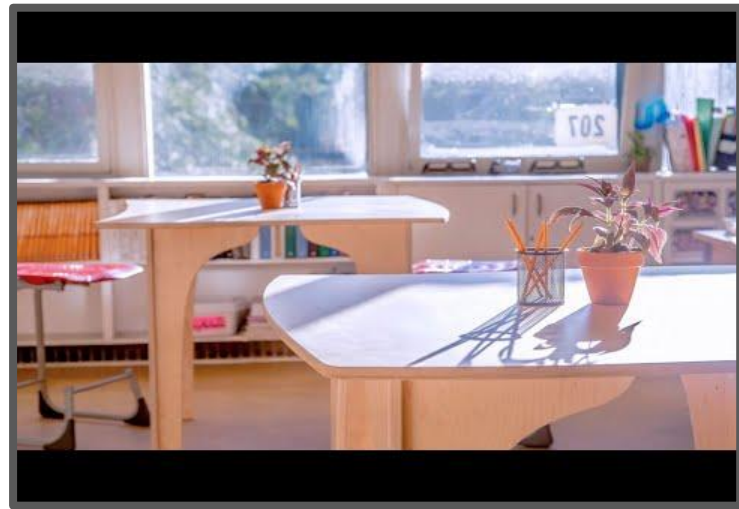
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Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

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/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.

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