

Thursday, April 10 2025 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

April 11	Fri	Scholastic Book Fair Anna Rice Badminton <i>Cupcake Sale for the Grade 7 Farewell</i> (\$10 for a box of 6 - at 2:30) Div 4 Field trip to Backpack Buddies in the morning
April 14	Mon	High Tech High Touch Science, divs 3,4,5
April 15	Tues	Ultimate Game #2
April 16	Wed	Happy Wednesday
April 17	Thurs	Gr 5 Reading Link Challenge
April 18	Fri	Good Friday - no school in session
Future Dates to Note		
April 21	Mon	Easter Monday - no school in session
April 22-25	Tues	Elevate - Ultimate for Intermediate Classes Ultimate Game #3
April 28	Mon	Class Photos
April 29	Tues	Student Led Conferences - early dismissal at 12:10 pm
April 30	Wed	Student Led Conferences - early dismissal at 12:10 pm
May 2	Fri	KM Club Starts

[2024-2025 iDEC School Calendar](#)

Learning at iDEC

Hello Families,

Thank you to Division 12 for creating signs placed around our schoolyard to identify Indigenous plants and trees. It's a beautiful way to connect to our place of learning. The **Scholastic Book Fair** is happening this week. Students will shop during their regular Library Session on Wednesday, April 9th from 11:20–12:20 pm. Parents, friends, and family are welcome to join during this time. Students can also shop after school with an adult from April 9th to 11th.

The **Ultimate Frisbee season** has begun! Thank you to coaches Yu and Salmon. Unfortunately, due to a game injury, Anna Rice is unable to coach Badminton at iDEC this season. We all wish her a quick recovery and we will reschedule her for next year. The **Grade 7 Farewell Cupcake Sale** is happening after school tomorrow. Boxes of 6 cupcakes for \$10 will be sold at dismissal. Unfortunately, due to low enrollment, after school **basketball** on Mondays has been cancelled. The provider will reach out to families soon about refunds, and we will let all of our families know if we be able to find an after school program for Mondays for the spring term. See below for more information about Student Led Conferences, Band Registration, Summer Learning and more! **Future Planning**; If your child will not be returning next year please let Ms. Schier know as soon as possible at caulfeild@wvschools.ca.

-Nathan



Student Led Conferences - April 29 & 30th (12:10 dismissal)

We're excited to share that Student-Led Conferences are just around the corner! These conferences are a special opportunity for students to showcase their learning and reflect on their progress with their families and teachers. Each student will have a 10-minute time slot to lead a conversation about their learning journey.

Here's what families need to know:

- All families will be invited to take part in these conferences.
- These are not traditional parent-teacher meetings. The focus is on students taking the lead to share their growth and goals. If you want to discuss another matter with the teacher concerning your child, please set up a meeting for another time.
- **Students must attend** and be an active part of the conversation.
- Conferences may be held online or in person, based on family preference. If you choose an online option, please reach out to your teacher directly with the time that you have booked, and you will receive a Microsoft Teams link for your scheduled time.

Please note we have an Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm on both days for all students, and no hot lunch orders. The system for booking will be open until 3:00 pm Monday April 28. There will be no more bookings after this time.

[Booking Link](#)

Band Registration and Information

If you have a child in grades 5 or 6, registration is now open for our 2025/2026 Band program. The Caulfeild iDEC 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://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/elementary-band/>

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. Elementary registration closes on May 9. Secondary registration closes on June 13.

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

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

Scholastic Book Fair **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Friday and Monday**

We still need more volunteers to run the Book Fair on Friday and to pack up on Monday. 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 Graduation Fundraising - Cupcake Sale this Friday

Grade 7 Grad Committee is holding another cupcake sale this Friday after school. The raised money goes towards Grade 7 Graduation. Six cupcakes for \$10. You know you want them!



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

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 18 deadline	West Vancouver Police Youth Academy Information & Application
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

Outdoor pickleball courts and pump track proposed near Gleneagles Community Centre

The District of West Vancouver is exploring the idea of constructing four outdoor pickleball courts and a new paved pump track near the Gleneagles Community Centre (GECC) to enhance recreation opportunities for residents in the western part of the community. This proposal could involve replacing the existing Bike Terrain Park and Skateboard Bowl located north of GECC.

The design for this proposal is in its preliminary phase and may be modified based on input from the community. The District of West Vancouver are seeking your feedback to help shape this potential project.

<https://www.westvancouverite.ca/gleneagles>

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.



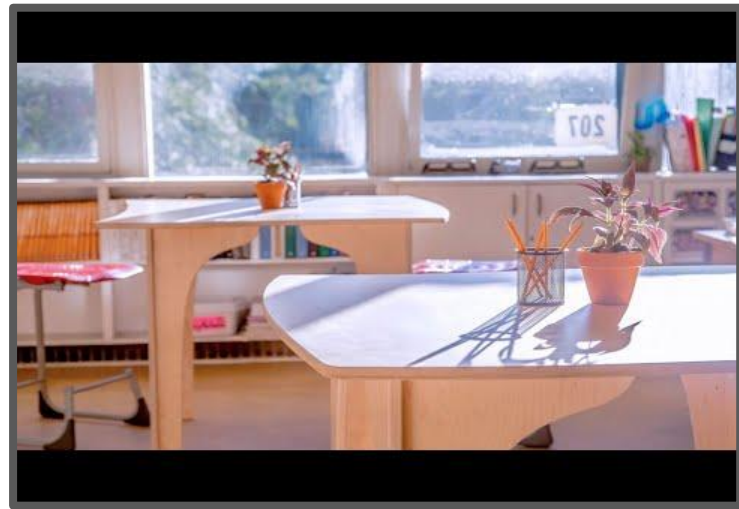
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Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

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.



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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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