CAULFEILD IDEC ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

Thursday May 29, 2025 E-Bulletin

Bear Calendar

May 30	**Fri**	Last Day of KM Club
June 2	**Mon**	Colour Week - wear **Blue** for Harmony today!
June 3	**Tues**	**Orange** for Healing Gr 7 Rockridge Visit in the afternoon (2:55 Pick up at RR)
June 4	**Wed**	Yellow for Sunlight
June 5	**Thurs**	**Green** for Nature District Track Meet
June 6	**Fri**	**Red** for Life Div 7 field trip
Future Dates to Note		
June 9 - 13	**M - F**	Bike to School Week
June 9 - 11	**M - W**	Gr 7 Camp Elphinstone
June 10	**Tues**	Div 8 field trip
June 13	**Fri**	Volunteer Tea & Sports Day
June 17	**Tues**	Variety Show 10:40 start
June 19	**Thurs**	***Grade 7 Farewell*** Ceremony (10:30), Parent Refreshments (12:00 - 1:00) and Grade 7 Dance (1:00-2:30)
June 20	**Fri**	Canoe Trip - Gr 7 students

2024-2025 iDEC School Calendar

Learning at iDEC

Hello Families,

Thanks so much to Carrie, Dez and Rhi for organizing, and to all of the parents who volunteered and supported **Staff Appreciation Day** on Wednesday. The food was wonderful, and we all felt the love. Thank you to Coach Quinn from Fusion West Lacrosse for teaching our students the joy of Lacrosse. Big thanks to CPAC for supporting the event!

Thursday, June 5th is the Grades 4 -7 **District Track Day** at Terry Fox Field, Simon Fraser University from 9:00 - 3:00. All families with students attending track need to be familiar with the information found **HERE.** Please read. Congratulations to all of the Bear who represented our school so well at Field events at Westcot this week!

CA is celebrating W**alk, Ride or Bike to School Week** this year from June 9 to June 13! We're encouraging students and families to use active transportation for their trips to school all week - walking, biking, scootering, skateboarding, bus or park and walk - all help reduce congestion in our school neighbourhood and help students get some exercise and arrive at school energized and ready to learn. Classes will help students to track their active trips to school all week and the class with the most active commuters will be eligible for fun prizes!

Today was our **Bear Draw!** Thanks to all the students and staff who nominated another for Being the Bear! We are proud of all of our Bears, and today, we drew five names of students who were nominated for being the Bear. Pedro in Division 8, Georgia in Div 9, Armin in Div 2, Calais in Div 1 and our staff winner, Ms. Hamill!

-Nathan

Colour Week

As we welcome Pride Month this June, B.C.'s Minister of Education and Child Care reminds us of the importance of recognizing and celebrating diversity in our schools:

> "June is a time for all those involved in K–12 education across B.C. to learn more about Pride Month and to honour the contributions of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community... This means taking into account the different beliefs, customs, languages, behaviours, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, and differences of individuals and cultural groups, while encouraging understanding, acceptance and mutual respect, so that school communities are more inclusive and equitable for all students and staff."

This statement emphasizes that when children see themselves and their families reflected in the stories we share, it sends a powerful message of acceptance—one that all students need to hear as they grow and learn. This message aligns with our Caulfeild iDEC Code of Conduct, the West Vancouver School District's Strategic Plan, which encourages schools to be inclusive spaces for all children, and our shared commitment to *Be the Bear*.

During **COLOUR WEEK** (June 2nd - 6th), Caulfeild will continue its proud tradition of building belonging and connection by inviting students to wear a different colour each day. The schedule can be found in our E-Bulletin Calendar.

This simple, joyful tradition is one way we show that Caulfeild is a welcoming, inclusive community—where everyone belongs.

iDEC Variety Show

It's that time of year again! We are looking for submissions for the annual variety show. In previous years, students have sang, danced, played instruments and showcased their gymnastics skills on their own or in groups. If you are interested in signing up for the variety show, please join the Google Classroom using this code: okaxgjac.

Auditions will be via video submission on this Google Classroom. You will also find the Permission Form and Guidelines on Google Class. See "New Assignment" then "Instructions" for more details. Auditions must be a maximum of 1 minute long. We look forward to seeing your talents!"

School Supplies for September 2025

iDEC Staff are well into the process of thinking about and planning for next September. Our teachers are pleased to offer the opportunity to purchase quality standardized school supplies through School Start for the 2025/2026 school year. Supply kits are now available to order and will be delivered directly to your home so you have the ability to pre-label your child's supplies and add supplies to your order for home use or for another child outside our school. Please click on the link of your child's grade for next year. You will then see the list of supplies.
Create an account and complete your shopping cart order

KINDERGARTEN GRADE 1 & 2 GRADE 3 GRADE 4
GRADE 5 GRADE 6 GRADE 7

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://westvancouverschools.ca/programs/elementary-band/

Planning Ahead: Enrollment 2025 / 2026

Over the coming months, Caulfeild iDEC teachers will configure students into classes for the 2025-2026 school year. THIS FORM is an opportunity for parents to share information they feel should be considered when placing their child for the next school year. This form is optional.

The class placement process is very complex as teachers consider the individual needs of students as well as group dynamics. When placing students, school personnel consider teachers' observations of individual needs and social dynamics, input from support staff, class size and composition (learning and behavior needs, gender), and learning styles. Parent feedback is valued and will be considered, but it is important for families to know that there are many other factors that affect the placement of students and teachers' observations drive placement decisions. The last day to submit the form is May 20th, 2025.

As families and children come to our community, it is our responsibility to to provide space for them at school. This means that many divisions will move to being multi-age classrooms in 2025/2026. Caulfeild teachers are experienced teaching in multi-age classrooms, it is part of our heritage, and our collaborative structures and schedules make us uniquely positioned to do it very well. Research also shows that there are significant, positive effects on student achievement with multi age classrooms. For your information, class configurations are typically finalized in the first week of September. To learn more about multi age classrooms in West Vancouver Schools, click HERE.

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.

2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

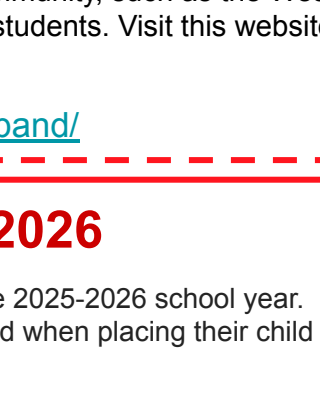
Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025.

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.

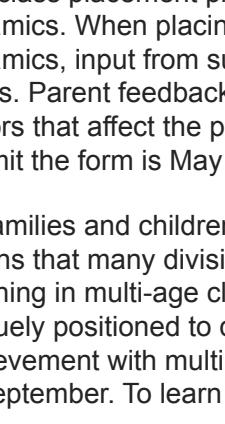
More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or on the Summer Learning Website.

Summer Reading Club

Registration for the West Vancouver Memorial Library's Summer Reading Club starts Monday, June 2nd! SRC is a free, self-directed program to keep kids motivated with reading over the summer. The West Vancouver Memorial Library will also be offering dozens of programs for kids and families in July and August. Register and get more information on SRC here



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

Caulfeild Sports Day - Volunteers Needed

The Sports Day is Friday, June 13th, and
WE NEED YOUR HELP:

- to prepare and distribute snacks
- to hand out CPAC-sponsored freezies.

Please review the available slots and sign up HERE.

SPRING FUNDRAISER - TICKETS ON SALE

Thank you to everyone who joined us last year. We raised over $16,000 thanks to your incredible support!

Let's make this year even bigger.

We're back with **Beers, Bites & Bowls** at the West Vancouver Lawn Bowling Club on **Saturday, June 14th**. Join us for an evening of school spirit, friendly competition, and community fun.

Bowling is optional, but with local craft beer, delicious bites, and a silent auction that promises to top last year's, you won't want to miss it. **Get Your Early Bird Ticket Today**

A huge THANK YOU! *to all the parents for your generous donations and to the parents who volunteered their time on Wednesday.*

CPAC hosted another successful Staff Appreciation Day! We treated the staff team to donuts, pastries, fresh fruit, coffee and tea during the morning recess break; and a catered lunch from Anatoli Souvlaki. Each staff team member received a $25 gift card or a bottle of wine.

We are so grateful for all they do to make Caulfeild School the amazing learning environment it is! Thank you for another great school year, Caulfeild Staff!!

Connect with Us
Website: https://westvancouverschools.ca/caulfeild-elementary/parents/
WhatsApp Group: CPAC News - 2023/2024
Email: capac@wvschools.ca

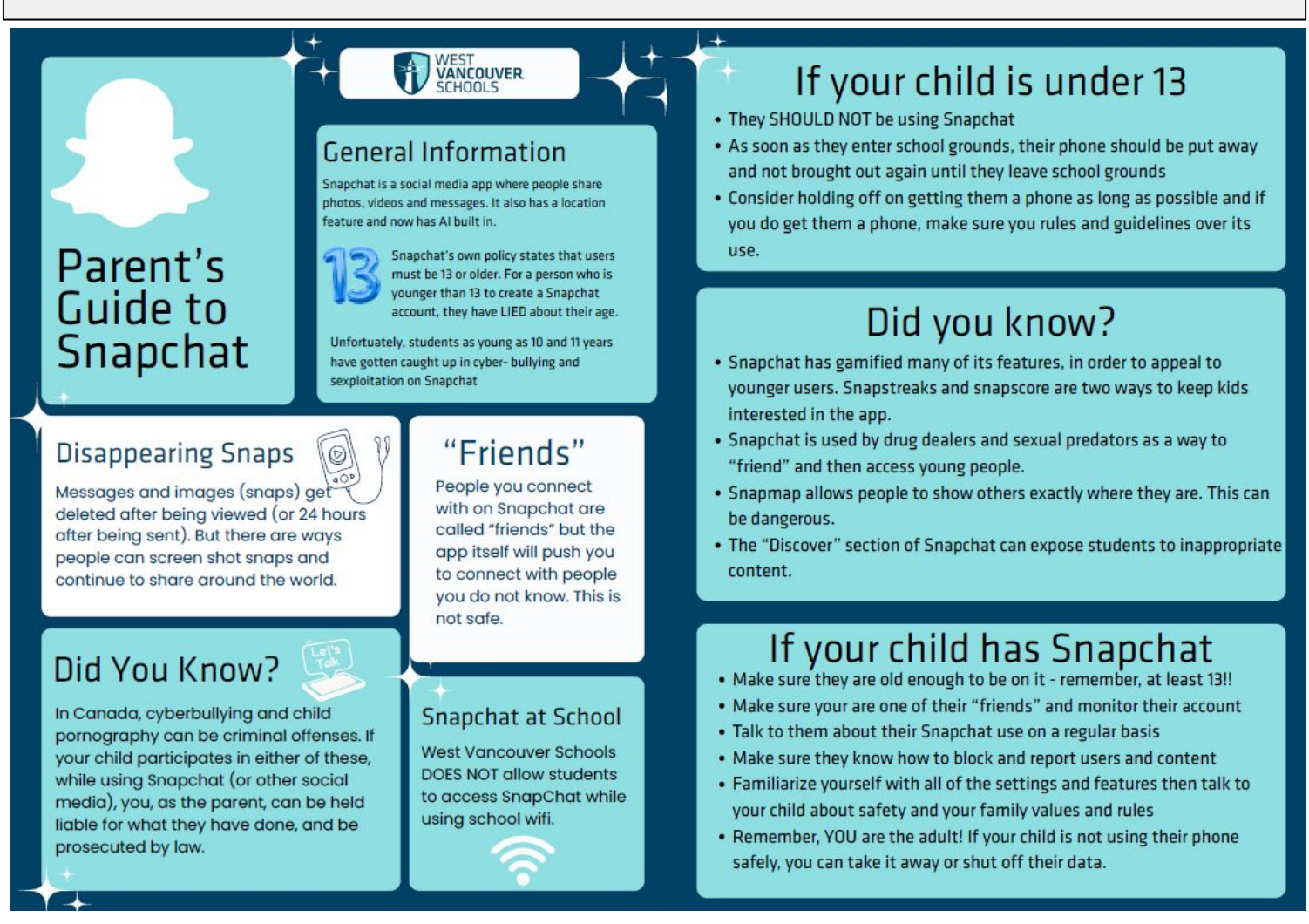
WV Community Events

West Vancouver Early Childhood Education Centre Update – Opening Early 2026

West Vancouver Schools is pleased to share an update on our upcoming **Early Childhood Education Centre** announced in August 2024. Construction is underway, and the new facility is expected to open in early 2026. Once complete, it will offer high-quality childcare for children ages 0–5, operating at market value rates. We look forward to welcoming families into this purpose-built, modern space designed to support early learning and child care in our community.

For more information and to join the waitlist please click here

As part of a new series on digital citizenship, we will be sharing best practices for parents/caregivers on popular social media platforms. First up: **Snapchat.**
Check the resource below to learn how to help your child stay safe and informed online.



Community connections - ongoing registration

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

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Summer offerings

July & August	West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps - information and registration
July & August	West Vancouver Rec Centre — Art, Exploration, Gymnastics, Learning, Outdoor & Sports Camps
July & August	Ultimate Frisbee Information and registration
July & August	Sports Week information and registration
July & August	Ocean Ambassadors information and registration
July & August	West Vancouver Otters information and registration

Click HERE to access the links

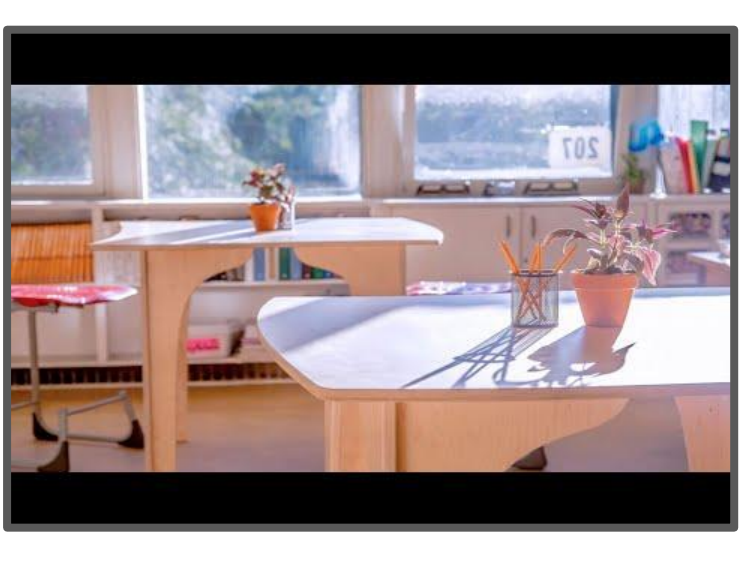
Click Here for more information

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/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.

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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Tag us in your school success stories using our hastag

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