

## Thursday June 12, 2025 E-Bulletin

### Bear Calendar

<b>June 13</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Volunteer Tea (10:00) & Sports Day - <b>Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm</b>
<b>June 16</b>	<b>Mon</b>	
<b>June 17</b>	<b>Tues</b>	Variety Show 10:40 start
<b>June 18</b>	<b>Wed</b>	Div 7 & 8 - Stearman Beach Class Party
<b>June 19</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Grade 7 Farewell</b> Ceremony (10:30), Parent Refreshments (12:00 - 1:00) and Grade 7 Dance (1:00-2:30). Tickets coming home Friday, June 13th.
<b>June 20</b>	<b>Fri</b>	Canoe Trip - Gr 7 students
<b>Future Dates to Note</b>		
<b>June 24</b>	<b>Tues</b>	Music Assembly
<b>June 25</b>	<b>Wed</b>	Kindie Stearman Beach party (10:40 am)
<b>June 26</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	Last Day of Class - <b>Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm</b> Grade 1 & 2 Year End party at Stearman Beach
<b>September 2</b>	<b>Tues</b>	Welcome back to School for Gr 1-7

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## Learning at IDEC

Hello Families,

Caulfeild students made us proud at the **Track Meet** on Thursday, June 5th! Not only did our athletes bring home the most ribbons, they showed incredible perseverance and sportsmanship. Congratulations to all participants, and thank you to our amazing coaches, Ms. Yu and Mrs. Stevens, for their dedication.

**KM Club** totals are out! As a school, Caulfeild ran 4,216.1 kms (that's the equivalent of running from Caulfeild Elementary to the Ottawa International Airport) in May. Among our runners, sixteen students ran over 50 kilometers, and our division with the most KMs? Congratulations to Div 14 with 661 Kms run in May!

CA is celebrating **Walk, 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. 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!

Friday, June 13th is **Sports Day** (Dismissal at 12:10) Parents are welcome to watch events. We will also host the **Volunteer Tea**. To thank to all of our wonderful volunteers at Caulfeild School, we would like to invite all of our parent/guardian volunteers to our annual Volunteer Appreciation Tea. Hosted by the staff of Caulfeild School: June 13th anytime after 10 am There will be sweet and savory treats to enjoy while taking in the fabulousness of our annual SPORTS DAY! This is just a small token of our thanks and appreciation to our parent / guardian group of volunteers that goes above and beyond for our school. We appreciate your time and effort in helping our school to be a great place to learn and for our students to flourish

Looking forward to seeing many of you at our **Spring Fundraiser** this Saturday—see below for more details!

-Nathan



## LOST AND FOUND has piled up

**Please pick up by June 13th - any unclaimed items will be donated to charity.**

### Grade 7 Farewell

Thank you to Rachael Thompson (Hannah's Mom) and the Farewell Committee for organizing something so special for this incredible group of Bears. Our Grade 7 Farewell ceremony and dance will take place on Thursday June 19th from 10:30 am - 2:15 pm. Parents, family, and friends are invited to join the ceremony in the Gymnasium from 10:30 am -12:00 pm, followed by light refreshments (& perhaps some photo opportunities) until 1:00 pm. Students will then enter the gym for the dance event and will be dismissed at the regular school dismissal time (2:30 pm).

Please note that each student is welcome to 4 tickets. These will be sent home with students on June 13th. If you do not require all 4 tickets please return them to the office so that they may be redistributed to families on the waitlist for extras. Please bring your tickets to the ceremony.

Parent volunteers will also be hosting a pancake breakfast for the Grade 7 students the following morning and prior to departure on the Kayaking field trip. Please feel free to send your children to school hungry as the grills will be hot and pancakes flowing!

#### June 19, 2025

- 10:30-12:00 pm - Grade 7 Farewell Ceremony and Celebration, CA Gym
- 12:00-1:00 pm - Parent Refreshments
- 12:00-1:00 pm - Student Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:15 pm - Farewell Dance

#### June 20, 2025

- 8:30 - 10 - Student Breakfast
- \*Kayak field trip (bus departs at 11am)



### Summer Reading Club

Registration for the West Vancouver Memorial Library's Summer Reading Club, Colour Your Summer! started on Monday June 2nd! Registration and more information is available [here](https://westvanlibrary.ca/summer-reading-club/) ([westvanlibrary.ca/summer-reading-club](https://westvanlibrary.ca/summer-reading-club/)).

SRC is a free, self-directed program to keep kids motivated with reading over the summer. When students sign up for SRC, they get:

- A Reading booklet and bookmark to track reading progress throughout the summer
- A Starter Kit email explaining how the club works, plus graded book recommendations from WVML librarians
- Newsletter emails in July and August with the latest Library news for kids and families plus program highlights, book suggestions, and more
- Plus, registering gets your school closer to winning the SRC trophy!
- No library card is required to register for SRC, but you can [register to get a card for your child](https://westvanlibrary.ca/using-the-library/get-library-card/) (<https://westvanlibrary.ca/using-the-library/get-library-card/>).



### 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://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/elementary-band/>

### Planning Ahead: Enrollment 2025 / 2026

As families and children come to our community, it is our responsibility 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](mailto:caulfeild@wvschools.ca).

### Participation

**West Vancouver – Help us Become the Most Active Community in Canada!**

The ParticipACTION Community Challenge is a national physical activity initiative that encourages Canadians to get active in search of Canada's Most Active Community. In 2021, the community of West Vancouver placed second in Canada. It is our goal to be the **most active** community in Canada. West Vancouver Schools will be participating in this initiative. Individuals can pledge to 'get active' throughout June in support of the community's efforts without having to track any movement minutes. To support West Vancouver in this initiative, we hope you will take the pledge to get active:

<https://www.participation.com/individual-pledge/>

### 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.



## CPAC Announcements



### SPRING FUNDRAISER - TICKETS ON SALE TICKET SALES CLOSE TONIGHT

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.

### CPAC AGM - June 17, 7pm, virtual

Our most important meeting will be held virtually for your convenience. Your participation is strongly encouraged.

We will hear the year-end reports from the Executive and the principal, vote on the new Executive team, and approve the budget for the next year. If you want to be part of the Exec next year, there is still time; email

[capac@wvschools.ca](mailto:capac@wvschools.ca).

Join CPAC AGM on June 17 at 7pm [HERE](#).

### 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

### 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: **TikTok**.

Check the resource below to learn how to help your child stay safe and informed online.

### Parent's Guide to TikTok

#### General Information

TikTok is a social media app where users create, share and watch short videos. Users can follow, like, share and interact with content.

**13** TikTok's own policy states that users must be 13 or older. For a person who is younger than 13 to create a TikTok account, they have LIED about their age.

Viral challenges and pressure from "influencers" can cause students to do things they might not otherwise do.

#### Location Feature

TikTok has a location feature built in. Unless it is disabled, followers may be able to locate where your child posted videos from.

#### Did You Know?

Many mental health experts are concerned about the amount of time young people spend on social media. They cite worries around depression, body image, self-esteem, anxiety and sexualization. Keep the lines of communication open between you and your child – let them know they can talk to you about anything.

#### "Follows"

On TikTok, you "follow" accounts to see their material. If your account is Private, only users you approve can follow and view your content. If your account is Public, anyone can follow or view your content.

#### TikTok at School

West Vancouver Schools DOES NOT allow students to access TikTok while using school wifi.

### If your child is under 13

- They SHOULD NOT be using TikTok or any other social media app
- As soon as they enter school grounds, their phone should be put away and not brought out again until they leave school grounds.
- Consider holding off on getting them a phone as long as possible and if you do get them a phone, make sure you establish rules and guidelines over its use.

### Did you know?

- TikTok algorithms are set up to encourage users to keep viewing. This can easily become addictive.
- TikTok is famous for its "viral challenges"; some of these promote dangerous and harmful behaviour.
- TikTok collects significant amounts of data from its users. Do you know where the data goes or who it is being shared with?
- Although TikTok sets safety parameters around certain material, children learn how to access it by lying about their age when creating accounts.
- This could expose them to inappropriate language and/or sexualized content that they are not ready for.

### If your child has TikTok

- Make sure they are old enough to be on it - at least 13.
- Ensure you are one of their "friends" and monitor their account.
- TikTok accounts for users under 16 are automatically set to Private - no one can follow them without requesting it
- Make sure they know how to block and report users and content.
- Familiarize yourself with all of the settings and features then talk to your child about safety and your family values and rules.
- Remember, YOU are the adult. If your child is not using their phone safely, you can take it away or shut off their data.

## Community connections - ongoing registration

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>

## Summer offerings

July & August	West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps - <a href="#">information and registration</a>
July & August	West Vancouver Rec Centre <a href="#">Art, Exploration, Gymnastics, Learning, Outdoor &amp; Sports Camps</a>
July & August	Ultimate Frisbee <a href="#">information and registration</a>
July & August	Sports Week <a href="#">information and registration</a>
July & August	Ocean Ambassadors <a href="#">information and registration</a>
July & August	West Vancouver Otters <a href="#">information and registration</a>

Click [HERE](#) to access the links

### West Vancouver Memorial Library

### Youth Department

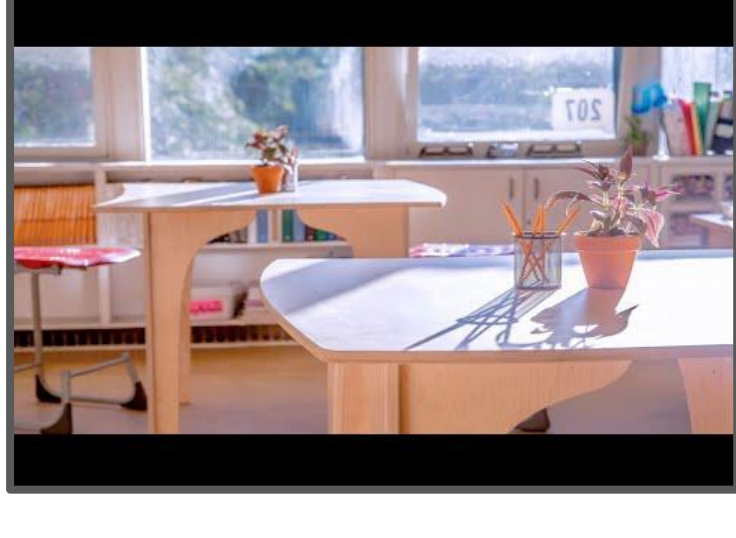
Click [Here](#) for more information

## 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](#)  
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[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.

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



### Connect with Caulfeild iDEC

**School Website:** [Caulfeild iDEC Elementary](#)

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