WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Upcoming Dates

- **November 2-5** - Dance week
- **November 10 - assembly**
- **November 11-** (Statutory Holiday)
- **November 23 & 24** - First Aid for Gr 6
- **November 27** - Professional Day (School is not in session)
- **December 3** - Santa Sale
- **December 4** - Term 1 Learning Updates will be posted to the Portal
- **December 17** - Winter Concert

2026-2027 iDEC School Calendar

October 26th - October 30th at Caulfeild

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			Pumpkin Patch (Div 14-8)	Halloween Parade (8:45 am) CPAC Mtg
After School Programs				
Basketball	Lights Up Theatre	Multisport & Python Coding	Artmani & Farsi Lessons	WV Little League

Gr 7 Volleyball Schedule

Practices:

- Boys - Monday 7:45-8:25
- Both - Wednesday 12:20-12:50
- Girls - Thursday 7:45-8:25

Games: Tuesdays at 3:30 - 4:30

- October 27
  Girls-Caulfeild / Boys West Bay
- November 3
  Girls-Caulfeild / Boys-Ridgeview
- November 17
  Girls and Boys - Bowen Island

Last Jamboree at Rockridge

- Boys - Wed Nov 25
- Girls - Thurs Nov 26

Message from the Principal

Hello Families,

Our **Community Fundraiser** goes a long way in meeting the needs of students at Caulfeild. From supporting field trips and providing technology to funding other important learning opportunities, these contributions make a real difference in our school. Thank you to our families for your continued support and generosity. Please read below for more details about the fundraiser and how you can participate.

Next Thursday, students in Divisions 8 to 14 will be visiting our **Pumpkin Patch!** Please remember to send your child with a large, sturdy bag to carry their pumpkin home. A big thank you to our CPAC and all the volunteers who have worked hard to organize this fun fall tradition for our students.

On Friday, we will have our annual **Halloween Parade** at 8:45 a.m. We look forward to seeing the students' creative costumes and celebrating together as a school community. *See guidelines below*. Following the parade, our CPAC will hold a meeting in the Learning Commons. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

iDEC Halloween Costume Reminders for October 30th

Halloween is just a week away! As students get ready for school celebrations and trick-or-treating, West Vancouver Schools reminds families to keep safety and respect for others part of the fun.

At school:

- Student costumes must allow for safe movement, participation in learning activities and independence during the school day.
- Please leave **masks, costume weapons and excessive make up at home.**
- Costume choices should be respectful and align with our school and District Codes of Conduct to help ensure Halloween is safe, welcoming and enjoyable for everyone

In the community:

- The WVPD has asked us to remind families to please reinforce respect for neighbours, private property and community spaces.
- We encourage children and youth to celebrate responsibly and demonstrate the kindness, courtesy, and respect that help make our community a safe and enjoyable place for everyone.

Caulfeild Students are asked to arrive at school in costume that morning. ***Please bring a change of clothes and a bag, as we will only wear costumes for the morning***. Costumes should be elementary school appropriate and comfortable enough for morning activities. Students will change into regular clothes for the afternoon to help keep costumes in good condition for after school events.

Reminders:

- Replica weapons (such as guns or knives) are not permitted
- Inflatable costumes are fragile and often get damaged during the day. *Do not wear them to school.*
- Masks are not allowed.
- Blood or gore is not appropriate for school
- Keep makeup to a minimum, as costumes will be removed before lunch recess

Thank you for helping make this Halloween a safe and enjoyable day for everyone!

West Vancouver Schools Admissions

Admissions for the 2027/2028 school year began on Thursday, October 15, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. for:

- All Kindergarten students
- All Grade 1-12 in-catchment students

Admissions for Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-District students open at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 15, 2027. For more information about admissions processes, dates, guidelines, and requirements, families should visit the West Vancouver Schools admissions webpage. Families are encouraged to carefully review the documentation requirements before beginning the application process.

Foundational Skills Assessment

In October, students in **Grades 4 and 7** will complete the provincial Foundational Skills Assessments. These assessments help track student learning in literacy and numeracy across British Columbia. If families are interested, students can try sample questions here: FSA Samples & Student Response Booklets. A letter from Superintendent Kennedy will be sent home with students next week which includes more details.

If you have any questions or concerns about the FSAs, please reach out to your child's teacher or Mr. Blackburn at nblackburn@wvschools.ca

Feeding Futures

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare Feeding Futures initiative, the WV School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. This Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal or to feedingfutures@wvschools.ca if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

Ignite Your Passion: Cyber Security and AI

West Vancouver Schools is excited to be running a new IYP program called "Cyber-Security and AI Explorers". Our pilot offering of this program is for West Vancouver School students who are currently in Grade 7 or 8. Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:45 until March 11th, 2027. There will be no sessions during Winter Break. The cost for this is $300.00. Sessions will take place in one of the computer labs at West Van Secondary. Students will be taught by West Vancouver Schools teaching staff and mentored by senior students in the district's CS/QC/AI class. Students will explore concepts in Artificial Intelligence, Cyber-Safety and Security through activities, labs and games. There may be an opportunity for an optional hackathon that students can choose to participate in.

For more information or questions, contact Ms. Wilson at cwilson@wvschools.ca

To register, please fill out this form.

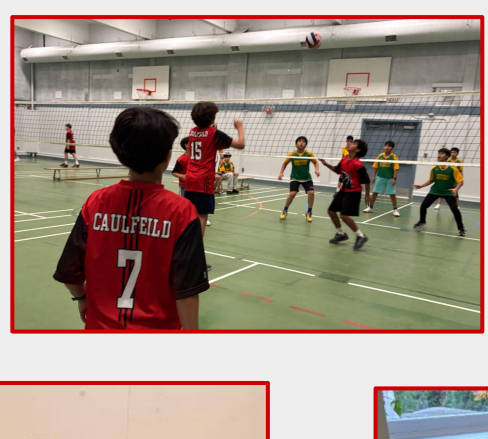
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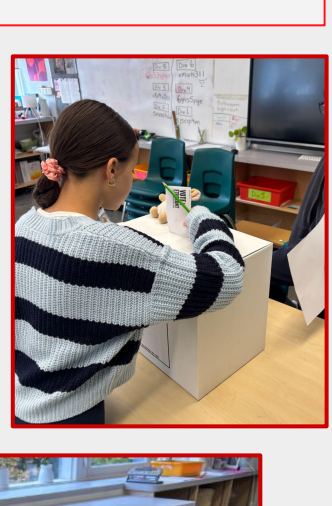
Elementary Schools: Personal digital device expectations apply throughout the entire school day, including before school, after school, and during break times. Cell phones will not be used at all during school hours.

These guidelines are key to creating focused and engaging learning environments. Our goal is to minimize distractions and maximize learning opportunities. Digital devices, when used appropriately, are powerful tools for collaboration, creativity, and communication. However, they should not interrupt instructional time or disrupt the learning environment.

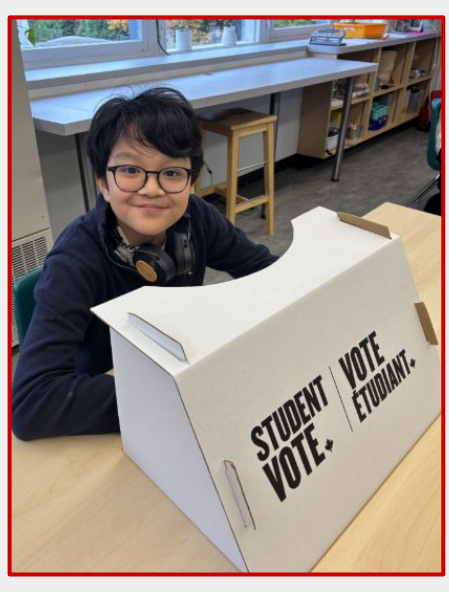
What Families Can Continue to Do

- **Encourage Balanced Screen Time**: Promote activities like reading, outdoor play, and family time.
- **Model Consistency**: Show your support by modeling mindful and appropriate device use.
- **Support School Communication**: Avoid contacting your child during instructional time. Non-urgent messages can wait until after school. If urgent communication is needed, please contact the school office.
- **Stay Engaged**: Revisit the Parent/Guardian Guide to Personal Digital Devices to refresh your understanding of the expectations and discuss them with your child.









Daily Health Checks

We ask for your assistance to ensure that your child is healthy and well enough to participate in school activities. If your child is unwell, please email us at **caulfeild@wvschools.ca** to report their absence. We also ask that you please report any communicable diseases, including cases of lice, to the office so we can take some preventative measures within our community and classrooms.

Call Back for Lates and Absences

Please **email us** at **caulfeild@wvschools.ca** if your child will be late or absent from school.

Caulfeild PAC Announcements

CAULFEILD ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Together We Can

NEW THIS YEAR: If we reach our $30,000 goal, the whole school gets an EXTRA-LONG RECESS!

So, what does your donation actually help pay for? Here's a look at some of what we're funding for this year:

- 📚 Learning apps — $5,000 +/-
- 🩹 First aid training — $1,500 +/-
- 🚌 Field trips — $14,000 +/- ($1,000 per division)
- 📱 22 new iPads need replacing before March Break — $10,000 +/-

These are the programs, experiences and resources that enrich our kids' time at school.

Our fundraising goal: $30,000
Suggested donation: $100 per child

Every donation makes a difference. If every family gives what works for them, together we can make a BIG impact for our kids and earn them a well-deserved extra-long recess while we're at it!



Donate here

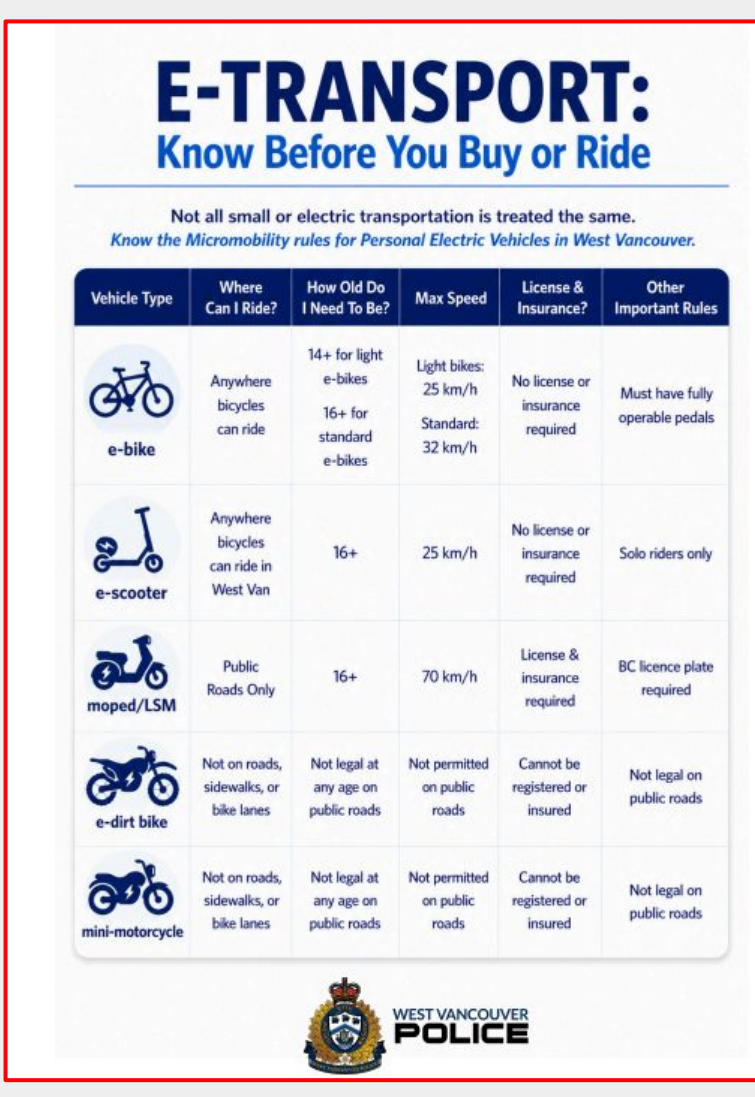


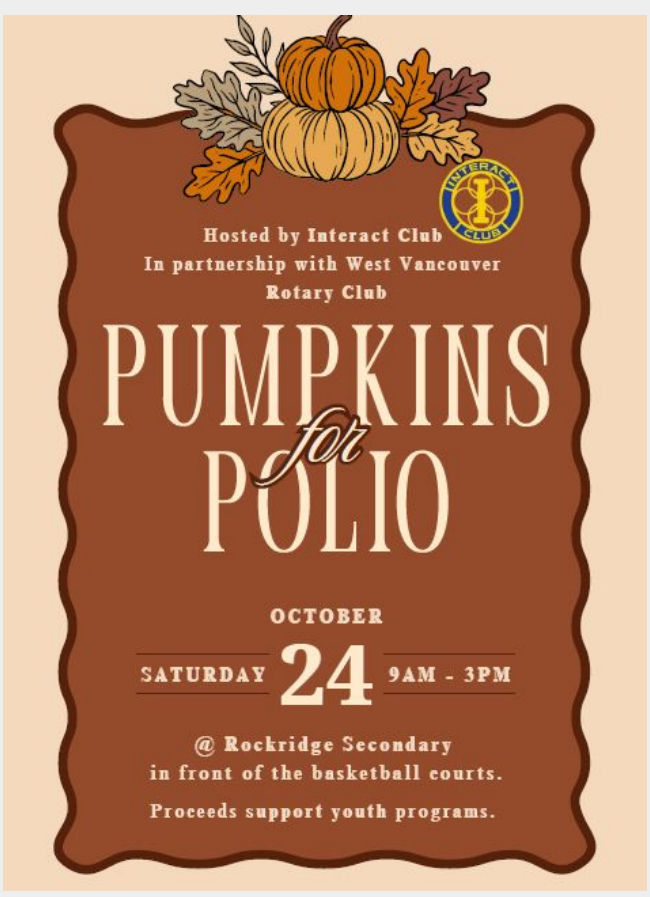


Next CPAC meeting is October 30th in the Learning Commons at 8:45 am

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

WV School District Messages & Community Events









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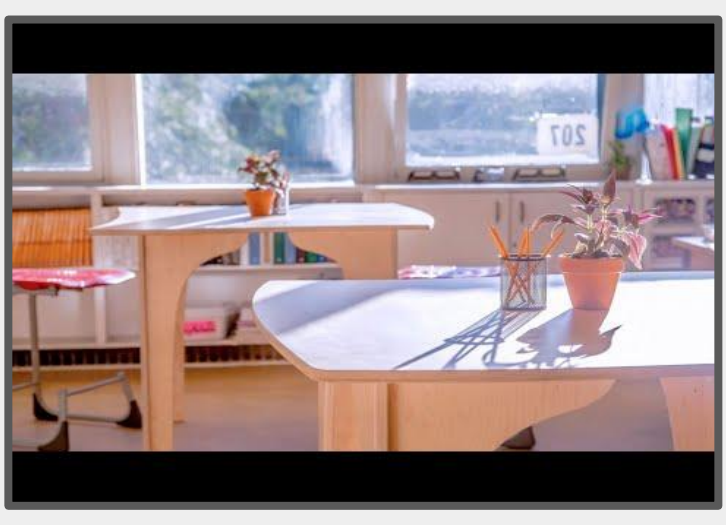
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Chris Kennedy Superintendent - WV Schools

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/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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