

October 12, 2023 NEWS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BULLETIN

IMPORTANT THIS WEEK:

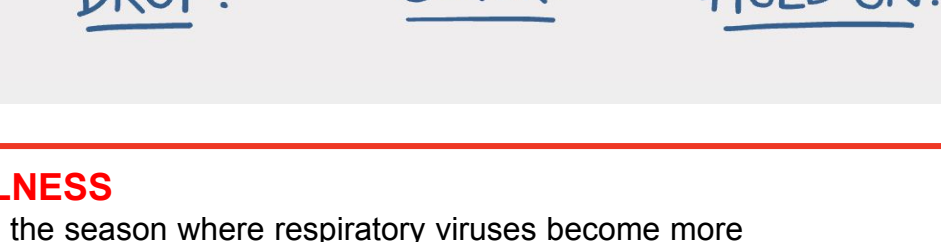
- Professional Day - NO SCHOOL - October 20th

LOOKING AHEAD

October 13	Camp Elphinstone Div. 1/2/3/4
October 19	Shake-Out BC - Earthquake Drill
October 20	Professional Development Day - NO SCHOOL IN SESSION
October 26	Halloween Movie Night - See CPAC section below for details
October 31	Halloween
November 10	Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 13	Remembrance Day Stat Holiday - NO SCHOOL IN SESSION
November 14	Reading Break - NO SCHOOL IN SESSION

SHAKE OUT BC

Students and staff at Chartwell will take part in the provincial "Shake Out BC" initiative on October 19th, this will be our first earthquake drill of the year. An important reminder to families to be prepared at home. Are you ready for an earthquake? Does your child know what to do?



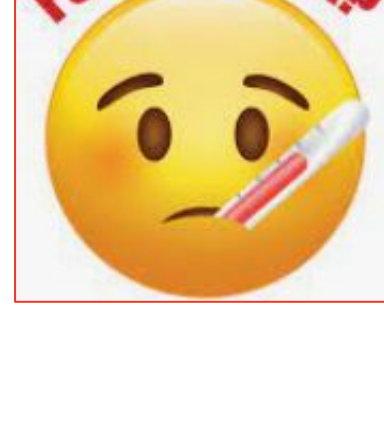
STUDENT ILLNESS

As we approach the season where respiratory viruses become more common, we remind families to keep children home from school when they are displaying symptoms of illness.

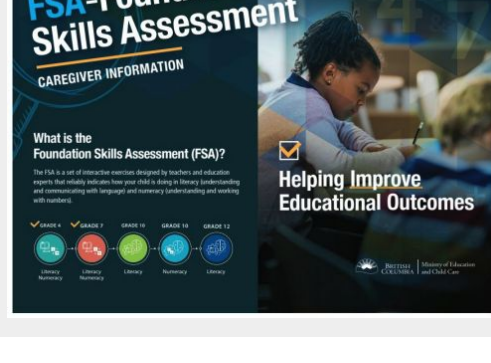
Children will recover more quickly and are least likely to spread the virus to other students and families if they take a rest day when they are unwell and return when they are feeling well enough to fully participate in learning. Thank you.

MASKS

If you wish your child to wear a mask at school, please ensure that your child has a medical mask and a spare one in their backpack should their mask get wet or dirty. The school no longer provides masks for students.



More information can be found online at Vancouver Coastal Health link vch.ca



Foundational Skills Assessments (FSAs) are for Grade 4 and 7 students. All students in these grades across BC will write the FSAs beginning on October 3rd.

The link to practice materials and more information for families can be found [HERE](#). If you have any questions or concerns about the FSAs, please contact your classroom teacher or Ms. Bell.

NEW REPORTING POLICY

As communicated last Spring, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has implemented a new Learning Update Policy which defines and provides direction for the ways our school will be communicating your child's learning. The goal of the Learning Updates is to provide personalized, descriptive feedback to effectively communicate with students, parents, and caregivers about where students are in their learning, next steps, and how families and teachers can work together to support student growth.

The provincial Reporting Policy mandates that students in Kindergarten through Grade 9 will be assessed using the four-point proficiency scale and students in Grade 10 through Grade 12 courses will be assessed using letter grades and percentages. Each term, students at all levels will be sharing self-reflections and making goals around British Columbia's Core Competencies – Communication Skills, Thinking Skills, and Personal and Social Skills.

Teachers will be communicating and reporting throughout the year in the following formats:

- 3 Formal Written Learning Updates (2 Mid-year Learning Updates, and 1 Summary of Learning)
- 2 Informal Learning Updates (ex. Parent-Teacher Conferences, Student-Family-Teacher Conference, Interim Report)

The Ministry of Education and Child Care, responsible for creating reporting requirements, has provided [reporting information for parents and caregivers](#) in the following languages: [English](#), [French](#), [Chinese \(Simplified and Traditional\)](#), [Tagalog](#), [Farsi](#), [Urdu](#), [Punjabi Gurmukhi](#)

Should you have any further questions, please reach out to Sara Bell directly at sbell@wvschool.ca

IMPORTANT PARENT REMINDERS

CHARTWELL TRAFFIC !!!

Please consider the safety of our students and community members when dropping-off or picking up your child. Please **do not enter the staff parking area**.

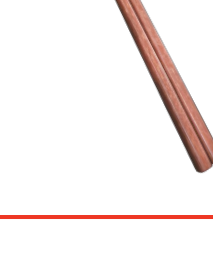
IMPORTANT! - There is no **left-hand turn** at the top of our driveway onto Chartwell Dr.

We understand that traffic is frustrating but it is essential that **ALL** families follow our drop-off and pick-up expectations.

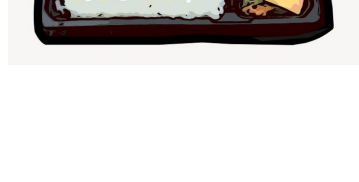


PLEASE PACK UTENSILS

Students need to bring a fork, spoon or chopsticks from home to eat their lunches. The office does not have extra for our students. Being mindful of single use plastics we are looking to have our students bring reusable cutlery from home.



HOT LUNCHES AT SCHOOL



If your child is absent or a sibling will bring it home if you intend to pick their lunch or if a sibling will bring it home. Otherwise, in order to limit waste, extra hot lunches may be distributed to students in need. We appreciate your cooperation.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Dear Parents, There is still time to sign-up for Fencing and Multi-Sport before and after school programs. These are both wonderful opportunities for our students. See information below.

MULTI-SPORT AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



Click to view

Multi-Sport After School Program (Grade K-3) and NEW! 4 to 7

Dates: Monday, Oct 16th-December 11th
 *** No Session on November 13, December 4th***

Times: 2:45-4:15pm (90 Minutes)
 Location: Chartwell Gymnasium & Outdoor Space
 Cost: \$210/Student + GST
 Grades: 4-7

Registration link: [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Dates: Thursday, Oct 5th-December 7th
 Times: 2:45-4:15 pm (90 Minutes)
 Location: Chartwell Gymnasium & Outdoor Space
 Cost: \$300/Student + GST
 Grades: K-3

This excitement filled program focuses on FUN, physical literacy and sport skill improvement through fun games and activities. Participants will move through a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, tennis, football, hockey, volleyball, and more. Participants will be fully submerged in the world of sports and are bound to leave the day with a smile on their face, eager for the next day!

Registration link: [SIGN UP HERE](#)

FENCING - DO NOT MISS OUT!

Parents - do not miss out on this amazing opportunity for your children. This early morning program is world renowned! The best coaches support this program and Chartwell is one of 4 schools that have the privilege of hosting this program. Sign-up as soon as possible!



FAMILY BADMINTON - Starts November 1st

More information to come.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE COMING YEAR

[YEAR TO DATE CALENDAR 2023-2024](#)

[CHARTWELL BELL TIMES](#)

PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Dear Chartwell Families,

We hope you had a good week so far. Special thanks to all the parents who attended the October CPAC meeting yesterday. As mentioned last week our grade 7 Farewell team has planned a **Halloween movie night for October 26th**. All students and parents are invited and this will be a grade 7 send off ceremony fundraiser.

Tickets and food can be purchased through munchalunch (we will notify you when they become available for purchase). This will be a no cash event so please make sure to purchase tickets and food online. Everyone is welcome to dress up for Halloween and bring blankets and pillows for extra comfort.

We still do not have class parents for Divisions 1,4,7,8 and 10. This is the best way for parents to get involved, support CPAC and our teachers. If you are interested please confirm with your teachers and let us know.

If you are interested to volunteer for any upcoming events please fill out this form and our volunteers coordinators will be in touch. [VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY](#)

Please feel free to reach out with any school related questions and concerns.

Best regards,
 Chartwell PAC
 Goltaz Yazdi, Chair - Chartwell PAC

WV Community Corner



Click [HERE](#) for information on Monthly Online Events for Parents and Caregivers this Fall

KAY MEEK THEATRE

Kay Meek Theatre is offering discounted tickets to the following concerts:

- Trio Fibonacci – Apply code TRIOF5
- Serenades and Divertimenti – apply code VETTA

Link to the website: <https://kaymeek.com/events/triofibonacci-1022>

For more information [click here](#)



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