

**CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN**
**October 26, 2023**
**NEWS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BULLETIN**
**IMPORTANT THIS WEEK:**

- **Chartwell Traffic**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

October 31	Halloween
November 10	Remembrance Day Ceremony - 10:50am
November 13	Remembrance Day Stat Holiday - <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
November 14	Reading Break - <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
November 17	Family Badminton Starts
December 4	Professional Development Day - <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
December 8	Student Learning Update

**CHARTWELL TRAFFIC !!!**

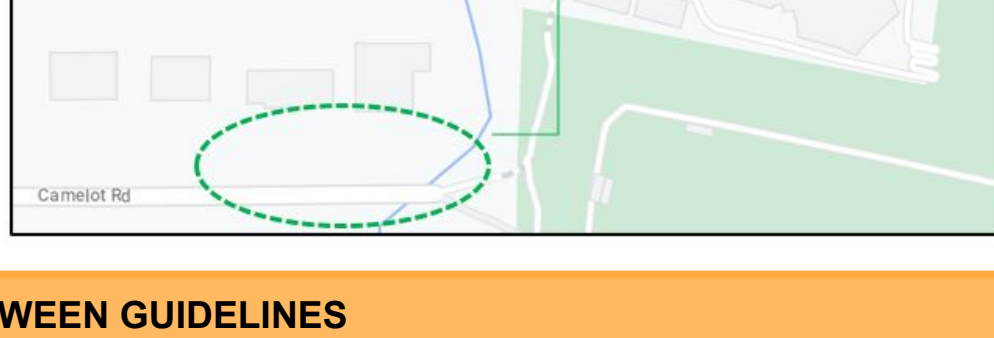
Dear Parents,

Traffic in the Chartwell and Sentinel community is challenging and we understand the frustrations many families feel when dropping-off or Picking-up their children. Our community has grown and with that so has our staff. Every single parking spot is used by staff members. **There is no parent parking or drop-off/pick-up in the staff parking area.** Please consider the map below and park on the street in one of the green circled areas. Parking and walking is the best solution if you are uncomfortable dropping your child off in the round-about.

Please consider the safety of our students and community members when dropping-off or picking up your child.

**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.


**HALLOWEEN GUIDELINES**

As students and families start to think about costumes, to ensure the day is fun for everyone, please observe the following dos and don'ts:

- ❖ Feel welcome to dress in a costume or not.
- ❖ Continue to avoid costumes that promote cultural stereotypes. If you're looking for information on cultural appropriation vs. cultural appreciation, [click here](#) for a CBC video; and for a great list of questions to ask about whether a costume is appropriate or not, [click here](#) to see information from UBC's Equity & Inclusion Office.
- ❖ Absolutely **no weapons** (swords, lightsabers, nunchucks etc.) and please make sure costumes are school appropriate.
- ❖ Wear something comfortable that can be worn all day. Remember they will be working and playing throughout the day so please make sure your child is comfortable (lots of face paint for example is uncomfortable).
- ❖ Please arrive in costume – there will be **no changing in the washrooms**.
- ❖ Avoid scented items that might irritate others (e.g. some hair colouring products)
- ❖ Students should **avoid bringing in Halloween candy** to school, as eating high sugar foods, and/or the idea of eating high-sugar foods, often distracts students from learning. A small treat in your lunch is acceptable coupled with other healthy choices. **(Please remember we are a nut aware school)**



Thank you

**K-3 UNIVERSAL SNACK PROGRAM**

The province's [Feeding Futures](#) program is a new Ministry of Education & Child Care initiative focused on investing, building, and expanding local school food programs by developing universal, barrier free access to nutritious meals and snacks to students at no cost.

As part of West Vancouver Schools Feeding Futures Initiative, a K-3 Universal Snack Program (USP) launched yesterday in all Kindergarten to Grade Three classrooms.

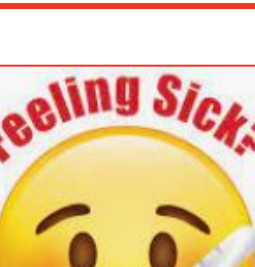
We are excited a healthy snack will be offered to our students once a week. The menu for the first 10 weeks is below. Parents are asked to continue to send a snack from home on these days as teachers may be offering the USP snacks at different times during the day that may not align with the morning recess snack time.

For more information, please refer to the email and FAQ sent to all families on Thurs, October 19th.

Week	Date	Snack Items
1	Oct 25	Whole apple and cheese string
2	Nov 1	Hummus and whole mini cucumbers
3	Nov 8	Half an english muffin and seed butter
<b>No snacks the week of Nov 13 due to the Stat and Reading Break</b>		
4	Nov 22	Mandarin orange and yogurt
5	Nov 29	Hummus and baby carrots
6	Dec 6	Seed crackers and 1 individual cheese
7	Dec 13	Half a bagel and cream cheese
8	Dec 20	Whole banana and cheese string
9	Jan 10	Nut free granola, raisins and yogurt
10	Jan 17	Edamame and seed crackers

**Chartwell Reminders**
**TAKE A PEEK EVERY WEEK**

Head lice are a common, annoying pest that all schools encounter, and one great way to help control the spread of head lice is to take a peek every week. It is important that we change how we approach and talk about head lice in our community.

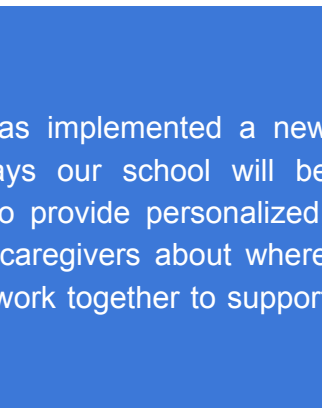


We would like to encourage parents to speak more freely with each other if their child has head lice and to notify the school immediately. **Please report** cases to the school; individual information is never shared but this helps bring an awareness to the community at large. We currently do not have any cases here at Chartwell but it is the season and other schools in our community have reported head lice.

**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](#)**

**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](mailto:sbell@wvschool.ca)

**MyED Parent Portal Access**

Our first term marks will be posted on the My Ed Parent Portal in December. If you are not familiar with this site, now is a good time to make sure you can access your account. Here is a helpful link to access your Parent Portal. Please email [jdouglas@wvschools.ca](mailto:jdouglas@wvschools.ca) if you need any assistance with your login or password.

**Registration for 2024-2025**

Applications for Kindergarten (in-catchment, out of catchment and out of district) AND for in-catchment registrations in Grades 1-12 opened on Monday, October 16th. Please note that current Chartwell students are not required to re-apply for the next school year. Grade 7 students going to Sentinel also do not need to apply, they will automatically transfer. Sentinel counsellors will visit us in late winter/early spring to distribute transfer forms at that time. HOWEVER, if your first choice for a secondary school is not Sentinel then you must complete an online application according to the student registration timelines. Please see this [link](#) for the deadlines.

**Please note:** No out of catchment or out of district applications for secondary are accepted until January 15, 2024.

**IN PREPARATION OF WINTER WEATHER**

**CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION**

**FOR INFORMATION ON THE COMING YEAR**

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

[CHARTWELL BELL TIMES](#)

**PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY PAC  
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OCTOBER 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 HOT LUNCH	4 HOT LUNCH	5 HOT LUNCH	6	7
8	9	10 HOT LUNCH	11 CPAC MEETING HOT LUNCH	12 HOT LUNCH	13	14
15	16	17 HOT LUNCH	18 HOT LUNCH	19 HOT LUNCH	20 NO SCHOOL	21
22	23	24 HOT LUNCH	25 HOT LUNCH	26 HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT and HOT LUNCH	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

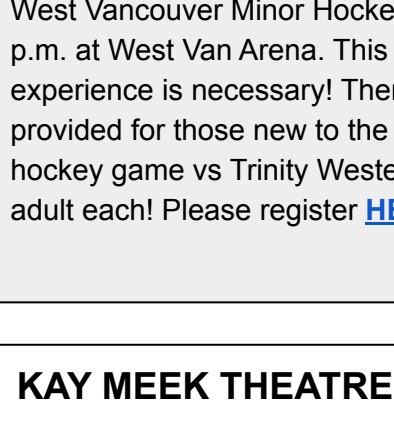
**PAC ONLY EVENTS**

Dear Chartwell Families,

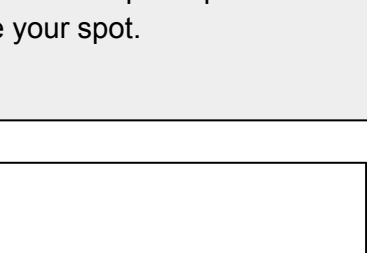
- Special thanks to all of you who supported the Halloween Movie Night (a CPAC fundraiser for grade 7 send-off ceremony). Thanks to all the grade 7 students and all the parents who volunteered for this fun event.
- Exciting News: **Spirit Wear** Sale will start on Monday through munchalunch. Please check out the selection and place your orders before the deadline.
- This year all CPAC fundraising initiatives, like Spirit Wear and Badminton Club, will be through munchalunch, so we ask all parents to please sign up and create your accounts and reach out if you have any questions.
- Thank you to all who volunteer as class parents, the only division that currently does not have a class parent is Division 4. If you have a child in this class and are interested to take on this rewarding role, please speak with Ms. Ross and let CPAC know.
- For now we have November 17<sup>th</sup> as the potential date to start Badminton Club, details will be provided soon and you can register through munchalunch this year.
- All parents and caregivers are invited to join us on **November 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am** for morning coffee and the CPAC November meeting at the Library (Learning Commons).

**Chartwell Class Parents**

Div 1	Jennifer Zhu and Neelke Kruger-Logan
Div 2	Brenda Weeks
Div 3	Elham Yazdi
Div 4	Narges Hafizi
Div 5	Jenny Sui
Div 6	Mahta Boozari
Div 8	Aileen Liu
Div 9	Golnaz Yazdi
Div 10	Rasmene Aujla
Div 11	Azadeh Marzara
Div 12	Anita Shayegan

**WV Community Corner**


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



Attention All Females! West Van Minor Hockey Association is hosting Girl Power this week!

West Vancouver Minor Hockey Association's 3rd annual **'Girl Power'** event is Friday, October 20th from 1 - 4 p.m. at West Van Arena. This **FREE** event is open to all girls living in West Van from 5 - 18 years of age. No experience is necessary! There will be on-ice and off-ice sessions and even a pizza party! Gear will be provided for those new to the sport. That evening all interested girls can attend a UBC Thunderbirds female hockey game vs Trinity Western (transportation not provided). Tickets are free for Girl Power participants + 1 adult each! Please register [HERE](#) by October 16th or as soon as possible to secure your spot.

**KAY MEEK THEATRE**

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

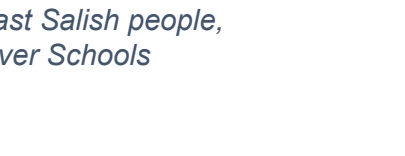
- Trio Fibonacci – Apply code TRIOF5
- Serenades and Divertimenti – apply code VETTA

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

For more information [click here](#)



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*I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.*