

February 7th, 2025 NEWS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BULLETIN

Dear Chartwell Families,

School spirit is about more than cheering—it's about creating a strong, connected community where students feel a true sense of belonging. When families get involved—by attending events, volunteering, or supporting initiatives—it strengthens not just our school, but every child's experience.

Our dedicated PAC works hard to bring families together through both fundraising and FUN-raising. One of these exciting events is **Movie Night on February 20th**, featuring *The Wild Robot!* This is a great opportunity to enjoy a fun family evening, meet other parents, and build connections in a welcoming space.

Events like this matter. When students see their families engaged, it reinforces that school is a place where they are valued and supported. These shared experiences create lasting memories, friendships, and social skills that go beyond the classroom.

Getting involved also benefits parents! Volunteering, even in small ways—helping set up, serving refreshments, or simply attending—strengthens our community and enhances your child's school experience. Our values of **mindfulness, resilience, and kindness** come to life when we come together as a school.

If you can lend a hand at Movie Night or another PAC event, we'd love to have you involved. Let's continue building a school culture where every student feels connected and proud to be part of Chartwell!

**Looking forward to seeing you on February 20th!**

Warm regards,  
Sara Bell

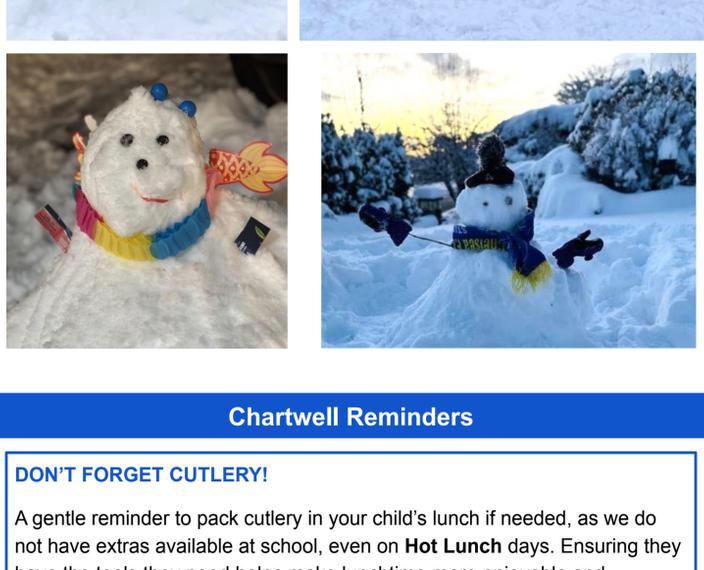
**LOOKING AHEAD**

February 11th	Basketball Game #4 (3:30 - 4:30pm)
February 12th	PAC Meeting - Location TBD
February 14th	Reading Break - School not in session
February 17th	Family Day - School Closed
February 20th	Movie Night - Farewell Grade 7 Fundraiser
February 26th	Pink Shirt Day
February 26th	Grade 7 Girls Basketball Tournament
February 27th	Grade 7 Boys Basketball Tournament
March 7th	Nowruz Celebration
March 12th	Grade 7 Marketplace
March 15-28th	Spring Break - No classes - School is closed
March 31st	First day back to school

**Chartwell Spotlight**

Thank you to all the students who showed their school spirit by taking part in the SNOW CREATIONS challenge on the snow day! The photos were absolutely fantastic—so much so that choosing a winner was impossible!

Every student who sent a photo of their snow creation to their teacher or the office will earn a point for their house team. Enjoy some of the amazing entries below!



**Chartwell Reminders**

**DON'T FORGET CUTLERY!**

A gentle reminder to pack cutlery in your child's lunch if needed, as we do not have extras available at school, even on **Hot Lunch** days. Ensuring they have the tools they need helps make lunchtime more enjoyable and seamless.

**RETURNING TO CHARTWELL FOR THE 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR?**

As we prepare for the 2025-26 school year, we are now accepting new student registrations and working to determine the availability of spaces for new families who wish to join our school community. If your child will **not** be returning to Chartwell in September 2025, please inform Ms. Undseth in writing as soon as possible at [aundseth@wvschools.ca](mailto:aundseth@wvschools.ca)

This information is essential for us to understand how many spaces will be available for new students.

Please also note that students returning to Chartwell for the 2025-26 school year are expected to be present at school by **Tuesday, September 2, 2025**, to secure their enrollment. Students who are not in attendance on this date may be removed from the school's register.

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS - REGISTER TODAY!**

- Mondays** - Sport Explorers, formerly "Multi-Sport"
- Tuesdays** - Knitting club (lunch recess) Chess (afterschool)
- Wednesdays** - Yoga and Red Fox
- Thursdays** - Chess (lunch recess) and Hoops (afterschool)
- Fridays** - Lights-Up Theatre

**MONDAY**

**Chartwell Sport Explorers After School Program:** **Spots available**

Register here:

<https://privatecoachingco.uplifterinc.com/registration/product-detail/ChartwellSEASPTerm2>

**TUESDAY**

**Chess Club After School** - run by Sentinel High School Students in the Chartwell Library - Grades 4-7 and free of charge. Program is from: 3pm - 4:30pm. Please email [aundseth@wvschools.ca](mailto:aundseth@wvschools.ca) if you would like to join. Starts Tuesday January 14 - March 11th, 2025.

**WEDNESDAY**

**After School Weekly Kids Yoga "Yoga and our Second Brain"**

In the Library Space

Register here: [www.worldofyogaschool.com](http://www.worldofyogaschool.com): **Spots Available**

**THURSDAY**

**Chess Club** - Thursdays at lunchtime - Chartwell Library: **Currently full**

Register here: <https://chartwellchess2025janmar.eventbrite.ca>

**Hoops Basketball Academy**

Register here: [Hoops basketball registration](#) : **Spots Available**

**FRIDAY**

**After School Lights Up - NEW PROGRAM\*\***

Register here: [lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/chartwell/](http://lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/chartwell/) : **Spots Available**

**West Vancouver District News**

**West Vancouver Schools Registration Opened January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**K-12 registration for both in-district and out-of-district students opened on January 15!** If you have students in your family who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.

West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student.

To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: [West Vancouver Schools Admissions](#)

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

**Worried about SNOW?** Please refer to this section of [our website](#) for information.

School closures may also appear on:

**CNN 1130** <http://www.news1130.com/>

**CKNW 98** <http://www.cknw.com/news/>

**Global TV** <http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/>

**CBC** <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia>

**FOR INFORMATION ON THE COMING YEAR**

[IMPORTANT DATES 2024 - 2025](#)

[CHARTWELL BELL TIMES](#)

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A LATE FRENCH IMMERSION OPEN HOUSE

**What is Late French Immersion?**

Late French Immersion (LFI) is designed for students wishing to start their French education in Grade 6, allowing them to study the French language and culture while following the full BC curriculum.

**Why Attend?**

- Learn about our school and the very popular LFI Program at PJ
- Discover the benefits of learning French fluently
- Hear how parents can support their child when they do not speak French themselves
- See the fun we have at PJ and in West Vancouver Schools

**Meet Our Team!**

Join École Pauline Johnson Principal Mme Zielinski as she hosts an informative session about the LFI program. Parents and students will have the opportunity to meet with her, the Vice-Principal, French Coordinator, and the dedicated LFI teaching team. As part of our established pathway to Sentinel Secondary School, we are pleased to welcome Principal Mike Finch, who will share insights about their French Immersion program at Sentinel and how it builds upon the foundation established at École Pauline Johnson.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, February 25th  
**TIME:** 3:30 - 4:00 pm  
**WHERE:** 1150 22nd Street, West Vancouver

**CONTACT:** Tara Zielinski

**PHONE:** 604 981 1225

**EMAIL:** [tzielinski@wvschools.ca](mailto:tzielinski@wvschools.ca)

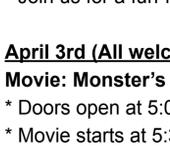


**West Vancouver Community Events**

**We are changing how we share community news and events. Starting now, individual "Community Connections" will no longer be included in our school bulletins. Instead, all local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) that we'll update and share with you each week.**

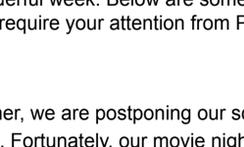
**All school-specific information will continue to be featured in our regular ebulletin.**

Sara Bell  
Principal  
Chartwell Elementary School  
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"I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skw̓w̓w̓7mesh (Squamish) Nation, whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides."

**PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Dear Chartwell Families,

Hope you all had a wonderful week. Below are some important updates and upcoming activities that require your attention from PAC.

**1. Movie Nights**

Due to recent bad weather, we are postponing our scheduled movie night on February 6th to April 3rd. Fortunately, our movie night on February 20th will proceed as planned. Please see the updated schedule below.

**February 20th (All welcome - Parent discretion for K – 2 children)**

**Movie: The Wild Robot (PG-rated)**

\* Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

\* Movie starts at 6:00 p.m.

\* Join us for a fun-filled evening with friends and delicious snacks!

**April 3rd (All welcome - K-7 appropriate)**

**Movie: Monster's Inc (G-rated)**

\* Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

\* Movie starts at 5:30 p.m.

\* Pizza, popcorn, and sweets will be available for all to enjoy!

You can purchase movie tickets and a variety of food options through Munchalunch.

**2. Hot Lunch Volunteer**

With hot lunch now being offered every school day starting from this term, we need additional volunteers to help distribute lunches. Please sign up through the link below to contribute to your child's hot lunch experience. Your support makes a big difference!

Volunteer sign up:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/17qQ9b1nqohtTVsANyOuFU8TU7gqkTTEBGvFP\\_5D8XI/edit?tab=t.0](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17qQ9b1nqohtTVsANyOuFU8TU7gqkTTEBGvFP_5D8XI/edit?tab=t.0)

A quick reminder to all parents: **Hot Lunch orders** are now open on **Munchalunch!** If you would like your child to enjoy a hot lunch at school, please make sure to place your order in advance. The deadline to order is **7 days before the delivery day**, so don't forget to plan ahead to avoid missing out.

Thank you for your continued support of the PAC and our school community. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us via email. ([chpac@wvschools.ca](mailto:chpac@wvschools.ca))

Looking forward to a fantastic year together!

Warm regards,

**Chartwell PAC Team**