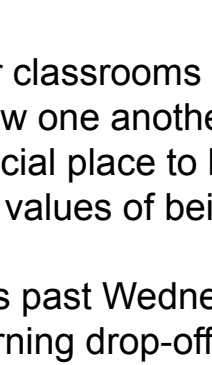


CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

NEWS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BULLETIN

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION



Regular home communication is important to us!

Please make reading our Thursday e-Bulletins a weekly routine to stay up-to-date with school events and information.

All eBulletins will be posted on the Chartwell website under "eBULLETINS"

Dear Chartwell Families,

Our classrooms are off to a wonderful start! Teachers and students are busy getting to know one another and building the strong relationships that make Chartwell such a special place to learn. During these first weeks, our learning focus has been on living our values of being Mindful, Resilient, and Kind.

This past Wednesday, we had a visit from the police and traffic control officers during morning drop-off. It was so lovely to see our community demonstrating kindness and consideration by pulling all the way around the circle, which helped make drop-off smooth and efficient. The officers were very impressed—well done, Chartwell!

I'm also happy to share that Chartwell Spirit Wear is now available online. Wearing our school colours is about more than a T-shirt or hoodie—it's a way for students to feel connected, proud, and part of something bigger. Spirit wear helps foster a sense of belonging, encourages school pride, and strengthens our community identity. Spirit Wear Days will begin in October once our first delivery has arrived.

Thank you for helping us start the year in such a positive way. Please remember that my door is always open if you'd like to connect, share ideas, or ask questions. I look forward to partnering with you as we continue to make this a great year for all of our students.

Warmly,

Ms. Bell

LOOKING AHEAD

September 12	District Kindergarten Picnic - 12:30 First PAC Meeting - 9:00 am in the Library
September 16	#1 Gr 3-7 Cross Country Meet- Ambleside Park 3:45-4:45 pm
September 17	Open House Event - Early Dismissal 2:05
September 23	#2 Gr 3-7 Cross Country Meet- Ambleside Park 3:45-4:45 pm
September 24	Individual Photos
September 25	Terry Fox Run
September 26	Professional Development Day - students not in session
September 29	Orange Shirt Day
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - School Not in Session
October 1 - 3	Grade 7 Outdoor School at Keats Camp
October 3	PAC General Meeting - 9 AM Library

PARENT ACTION ITEMS

Get your Chartwell Spirit Wear!

Place your orders now through School Cash Online.

We have:

- Grey and Navy T-shirts
- Pullover Hoodies in Grey and Navy
- New this year: Grey or Navy full-zip Hoodies

T-shirts are in stock and will be delivered promptly. All other items will arrive in October.

Wearing Spirit Wear is a wonderful way for students to show their pride, feel a sense of belonging, and strengthen our Chartwell community. This is also a fundraiser that directly supports our school—thank you for your participation!

Go to : westvancovert.schoollcashonline.com and order now!

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR – TIME SENSITIVE

District On-line Release Forms All Parents in the district are asked annually to complete a West Van District Policy and Procedures online form for each of their children.

This form covers many areas including use of school internet, use of privately owned electronic devices on school networks and media parental consent form.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access this Policy and Procedures form.

It is very important these forms are completed promptly.

School Cash Online

We're pleased to continue offering **School Cash Online**, a quick and secure way to pay for school items such as trips, club/athletic fees, and spirit wear.

- If you registered in a previous year, no re-registration is needed.

New users - To set up an account and explore the system, please follow the instructions below.

You received the PIN referred to in Step 3 in a separate email sent by Ms. Undseth - aundseth@wvschools.ca

Register Online:

- Step 1: Please click on this link: westvancovert.schoollcashonline.com
- Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.
- Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the "click here" option, login in, and add each of your children to your household account. To do this, you will need your student's **PIN number**, last name, and date of birth.

You will receive the PIN referred to in Step 3 in a separate email sent by Ms. Undseth - aundseth@wvschools.ca

Chartwell Reminders

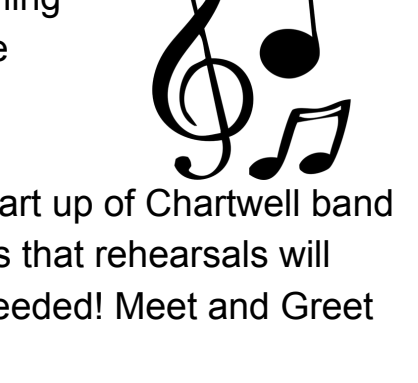
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

LATE AND ABSENT POLICY

If, for any reason, your child is scheduled to be absent, late, or leaving early from school, please be sure to advise the classroom teacher via email and the school via our email system (604-981-1210).

Chartwell School must account for each student's whereabouts.

- **Be sure to include the following:** child's full name, grade/teacher, and anticipated length of absence.



TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR ARRIVAL AND PICK UP

We want to ensure that getting to and from school is safe for all students. Please do your part to follow Chartwell School's drop-off and pick-up procedures and expectations. Traffic is challenging at Chartwell, specifically during peak before and after school hours. Here are some strategies to assist with traffic flow:

- Carpool or use other modes of transportation (walk, roll or bus)
- Drop off and pick-up intermediate students on Cambridge Pl. and Camelot Rd.
- Arrange a meeting place with your child on Chartwell Drive.
- If your child is not ready to be picked up, you will need to leave the roundabout and re-enter. We recommend you park on Chartwell Drive and walk to the school to connect with your child.

[See Map HERE](#)

Please communicate this information to any other individuals who may be dropping off or picking up children.
[Safe and active routes to school | West Vancouver Schools](#)
[Back to school: ICBC shares safety tips for drivers, parents and caregivers](#)

CROSS COUNTRY For Grade 3-7

Our Cross-Country season has begun! Permission slips were handed out at Tuesday's meeting. Practices are Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch on the field. Meets are on Tuesdays after school on Sept. 16th, 23rd, and Oct. 7th from 3:45-5:00 pm at Ambleside. Parents will need to transport their child, but please note there is new paid parking at West Vancouver Parks. A permit is available for West Vancouver residents at the [District of West Vancouver](#).

Parent Volunteers Needed: We need parent volunteers to help marshal the course at Ambleside. Please email Vice Principal Jessica Lee if you are interested.
jlee@wvschools.ca

BAND REGISTRATION AND START UP

Calling all Grade 6 & Grade 7 students!! Thank you parents and students who have already registered for Chartwell Band for the 2024-2025 school year. For students who are interested in joining and have not yet registered it is not too late! To register please click on the following link: [Elementary Band Program](#) page.



Band Start-up Reminder: We are excited to announce the start up of Chartwell band for 2025-2026 school year. A reminder to students and parents that rehearsals will begin next week on Tuesday, September 9. No Instruments needed! Meet and Greet with Ms.Ng.

Rehearsals: Tuesdays - 1:50 pm - 2:45 pm and Thursdays - 8:00 am - 8:45 am in the music portable.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE TERRY FOX RUN

Email Vice Principal Jessica Lee jlee@wvschools.ca if you are interested in helping.

Personal Digital Device Expectations

At West Vancouver Schools, we recognize that personal digital devices can support collaboration, creativity, and communication. At the same time, maintaining focused and safe learning environments is essential. Provincial guidelines highlight the need to reduce distractions, as digital devices can interrupt class time and student concentration.

To support learning, digital device expectations apply across all schools. Personal devices may only be used with explicit permission from a teacher or administrator, who will set clear guidelines for purposeful use. Exceptions will be made as needed for medical, health, accessibility, or accommodation purposes.

Here's what this means for Chartwell School:

- **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.

How You Can Help:

To support these updated expectations, we ask parents and guardians to:

1. **Familiarize Yourself:** Please take the time to read through the [Parent/Guardian Guide to Personal Digital Devices](#) to fully understand the new district-wide expectations. Additionally, review any specific guidelines or expectations provided by your child's teacher(s).
2. **Model Appropriate Use:** Demonstrate and discuss the importance of limiting device use at home, especially during family time or other important activities. Your behavior sets a powerful example for your child.
3. **Encourage Balance:** Help your child find a healthy balance between screen time and other activities, such as reading, outdoor play, or family interactions. This will reinforce the focus on learning during school hours.
4. **Mindful Communication:** Please avoid calling or texting your child during school time. Remind your child that school time is for learning, and that messages can wait until after school. **If urgent communication is needed, please contact the school office at 604-981-1210.**

By working together, we can create a safer, more focused learning environment for all students. These small steps at home can make a big difference in reinforcing the positive changes we're implementing at school.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Check out all the fun and educational after school activities at Chartwell. There are a large variety of activities every day of the week. The best part? You don't need to pick up and drive your child anywhere. Everything is right here at Chartwell!

[Click here for more information and links to register.](#)

FOR INFORMATION ON THE COMING YEAR

[IMPORTANT DATES 2025 - 2026](#)

[CHARTWELL BELL TIMES](#)

WV Community Corner

OPTIONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR FAMILIES

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. There are many different voluntary plans that provide coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. Families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.

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://cultureofvies.ca/> or <https://twitter.com/chrkenney>

PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

 **CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY PAC**
Funded by Parents | Powered by CPAC

Week of September 8–14

Hot Lunch • Friday Badminton Club • First PAC Meeting of the Year & More!

Hot Lunch Orders Open

Hot Lunch ordering opens **Sunday, September 13 at 3:00 p.m.**
Please place your order promptly—the first Hot Lunch day is **Tuesday, September 22**.

The **Chartwell Hot Lunch Program** helps parents reduce the stress of morning lunch prep by offering a wide range of options, including **allergy-friendly and vegetarian meals**.

This program is also **our school's largest fundraiser**—every order directly supports enriching opportunities and experiences that contribute to a well-rounded education for all students.

Parent Registration

- **New Parent Registration:** <https://munchalunch.com/register>
- **Returning Parent Login:** <https://munchalunch.com/login>

For help with registration or other questions, please email: chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com

Chartwell Elementary Friday Badminton Program Enrollment

We're excited to announce that this term's **Badminton Program begins Friday, September 12, 2025!**

To meet growing interest and provide better training support, we've updated the schedule. This **PAC fundraising event** supports Chartwell students—thank you for making it a success!

Register Here: <https://munchalunch.com/register> (*Fundraising → Friday Badminton*)

Activity 1: Family Badminton Play

- **Fee:** \$50 per family per term (all family members included)
- **Dates:** Fridays, Sept. 12 – Dec. 12 (*no sessions Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Oct. 31*)
- **Time:** 3:00–7:00 PM
- **Location:** Chartwell Elementary Gym
- **Court Availability:**
 - 3:00–4:00 PM → 3 courts
 - 4:00–7:00 PM → 2 courts

Activity 2: Student Badminton Training

- **Location:** Chartwell Elementary Gym
- **Dates:** Fridays, Sept. 12 – Dec. 12 (*no sessions Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Oct. 31*)
- **Total Weeks:** 11

Time	Grade Level	Skill Level	Fee*
4-5 PM	Grade K-3	Beginner	\$300
5-6 PM	Grade 4-7	Beginner/Intermediate	\$300
6-7 PM	Grade 4-7	Advanced	\$300

*Student training fees include **Family Badminton Play access**.

Supervision & Safety Guidelines

1. Only **registered families** may remain in the gym.
2. Children in **Family Play** must always be supervised by a parent/guardian.
3. Students who stay after training for **Family Play** must have a parent present.
4. Please **enter/exit through the gym's side door** (near the parking lot) and **sign in/out** at the check-in table.

Thank you for helping us create a safe, fun, and supportive environment for all participants!

First PAC Meeting of the Year

- 📅 **Friday, September 12**
- 📍 **Chartwell Library, 9:00 a.m.**

We warmly welcome all new and returning parents/guardians to join us for our first PAC meeting of the year. This is a wonderful opportunity to:

- Connect with the **Chartwell community**
- Hear updates from the **PAC Executive team**
- Play a part in shaping the future of our school

☕ Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Call for Class Parents

We are looking for **Class Parents** this year!

Class Parents act as a liaison between teachers and families, supporting classroom communication and events.

If you are interested, please email: CHPac@wvschools.ca

📅 **Save the Date (September 17):** Information about our upcoming **Open House** will be shared soon—stay tuned.

Sincerely,

Chartwell PAC

Sara Bell
Principal
Chartwell Elementary School
T 604 981 1210



"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."