

CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN

October 23, 2025 NEWS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION BULLETIN

Dear Chartwell Families,

As part of our ongoing Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL), Chartwell is now in Year 2 of our Literacy Improvement Goal. Our focus continues to be on building strong foundational reading skills in the early grades and deepening comprehension, vocabulary, and critical thinking across all grades.

Over the past year, our teachers have been engaged in professional development centred on the Science of Reading, exploring frameworks such as Scarborough's Reading Rope and the Five Pillars of Reading. Teachers have received training in UFLI (University of Florida Literacy Institute), and we continue to use a variety of research-based assessment tools to guide instruction and monitor student progress.

This year, we are expanding our efforts to ensure every student—whether they are new to English or already fluent—receives explicit, differentiated literacy instruction. Staff have also participated in workshops on the SIOP (Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol) model, which supports both English Language Learners and all students through intentional vocabulary and oral language development.

Today, we had the great pleasure of welcoming **Matt Glover**, an internationally respected author and literacy consultant, to Chartwell. Matt taught demonstration lessons in two of our classrooms, modelling how purposeful conversation, curiosity, and student voice can spark meaningful writing and reading. Teachers observed his sessions and then met to reflect on how these strategies can enhance the work already happening in our classrooms.

We are proud of the commitment our staff continues to show in improving literacy outcomes for all students. As we move through the year, we will continue to share updates and examples of how our collective work is helping every child become a more confident, capable reader and writer.

Warm regards,

Ms. Bell

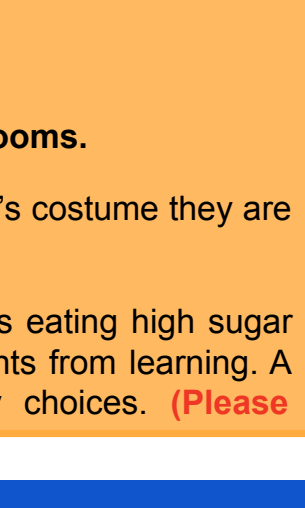
LOOKING AHEAD

October 24	Professional Development Day - Students Not in Session
October 28	Boys Volleyball Game #2 Home Girls Volleyball Game #2 Away (Gleneagles School)
October 31	Halloween
November 4	Boys Volleyball Game #3 Home Girls Volleyball Game #3 - Away (Cedardale)
November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
November 11	Remembrance Day - School not in Session
November 14	PAC meeting in Library - 9am
November 24	Professional Development Day - no school in session

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:

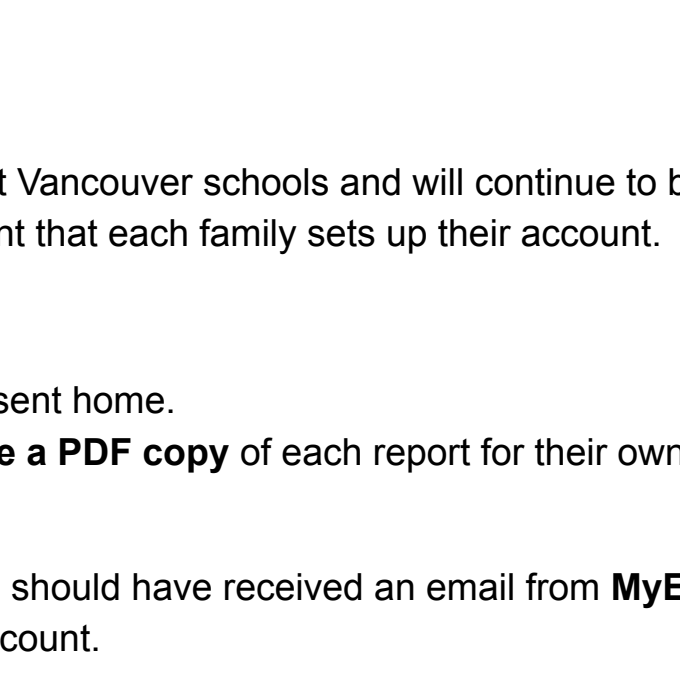
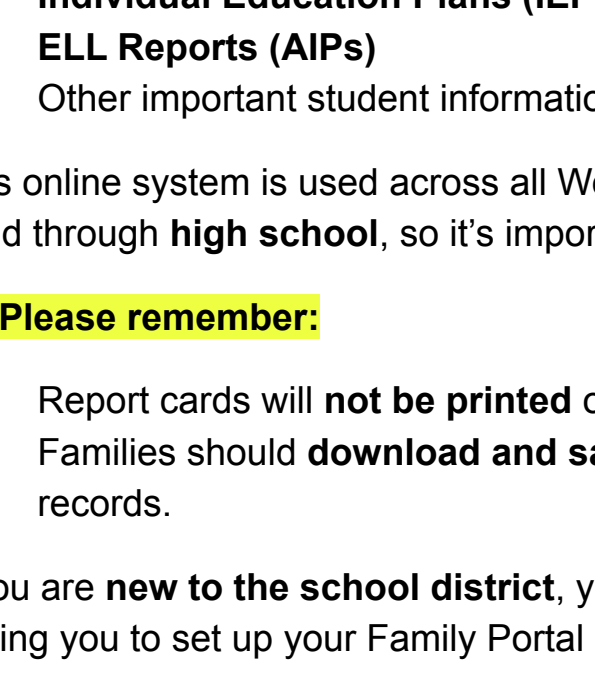
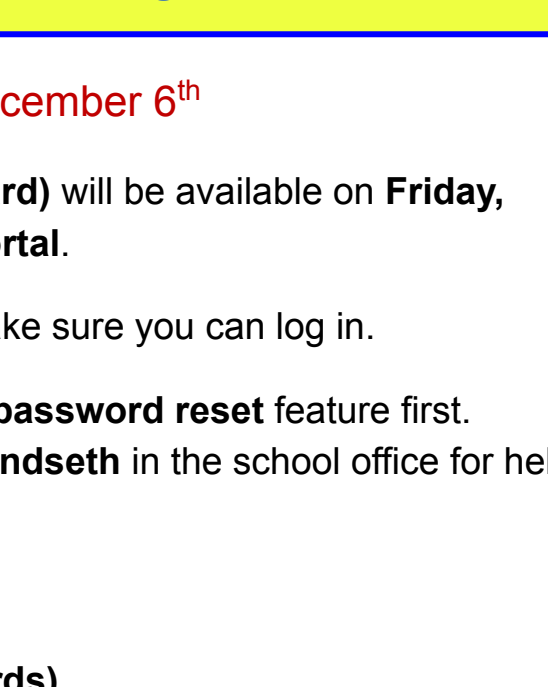
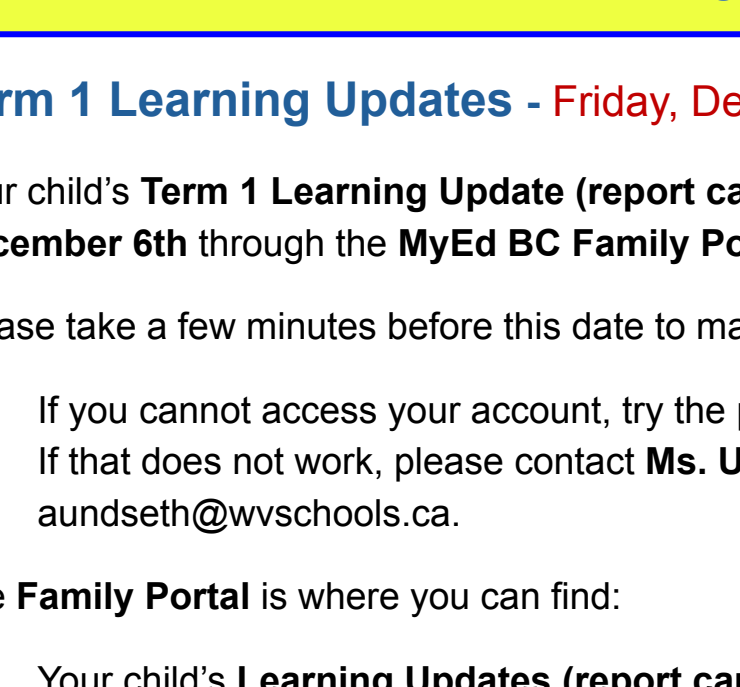
- ❖ Feel welcome to dress in a costume or not.
- ❖ Continue to avoid costumes that promote cultural stereotypes.
- ❖ Absolutely **no weapons** (swords, lightsabers, guns, nunchucks etc.) and please make sure costumes are school appropriate.
- ❖ Wear something comfortable that can be worn all day. Remember 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 masks** when possible - if a mask is a critical part of your child's costume they are allowed but must be removed when working in the classrooms.
- ❖ 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)**



Chartwell This Week!

Volleyball Season Serves Up Excitement!

Chartwell's Grade 7 boys' and girls' volleyball teams hit the court this week for their first games of the season — and what a start! From powerful serves to impressive rallies, our players showed teamwork, determination, and true Chartwell spirit. The energy in the gym was contagious as teammates cheered each other on and displayed outstanding sportsmanship. A huge thank-you to our stellar coaching team of staff and volunteers for inspiring confidence, skill, and fun in every game. We can't wait to see what the season brings! 🏐💙



PARENT ACTION ITEMS

Term 1 Learning Updates - Friday, December 6th

Your child's **Term 1 Learning Update (report card)** will be available on **Friday, December 6th** through the **MyEd BC Family Portal**.

Please take a few minutes before this date to make sure you can log in.

- If you cannot access your account, try the **password reset** feature first.
- If that does not work, please contact **Ms. Undseth** in the school office for help: aundseth@wvschools.ca.

The **Family Portal** is where you can find:

- Your child's **Learning Updates (report cards)**
- **Individual Education Plans (IEPs)**
- **ELL Reports (AIPs)**
- Other important student information

This online system is used across all West Vancouver schools and will continue to be used through **high school**, so it's important that each family sets up their account.

👉 Please remember:

- Report cards will **not be printed** or sent home.
- Families should **download and save a PDF copy** of each report for their own records.

If you are **new to the school district**, you should have received an email from **MyEd BC** asking you to set up your Family Portal account.

- If you don't see the email, please **check your junk or spam folder**.
- Follow the instructions carefully to set your own password.
- You must complete this setup on a **computer** — it will not work on a phone or tablet.

You can log in here: [MyEd BC Login](#)

Helpful guides are also available here: [WVS MyEd BC Family Portal Guides](#)

If you need any help, please contact **Ms. Undseth** in the school office: aundseth@wvschools.ca

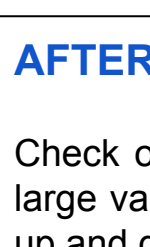
Thank you for taking time to prepare for this important update.

Registration for 2025-2026

Applications for Kindergarten (in-catchment, out of catchment and out of district) AND for **in-catchment registrations in Grades 1-12 will be open on Wednesday, October 15th**.

Out of catchment and out of district will open January 15, 2026

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.



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[@Chartwellelementary](#)

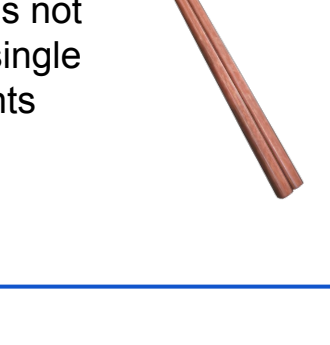


Join the **Chartwell PAC WhatsApp group** for information on school and PAC events. Thank you to Soroush for taking on this responsibility this year.

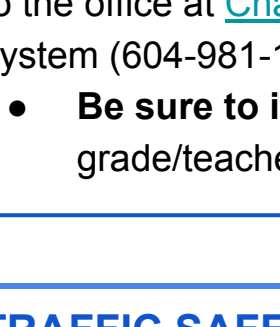
Chartwell Reminders

NO SUCH THING AS BAD WEATHER JUST INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING

The wet weather has arrived! Students are outside for approximately 45 minutes for morning and lunch recesses and will need to keep warm and dry. Please ensure your children come to school in appropriate waterproofed clothing and footwear.



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.

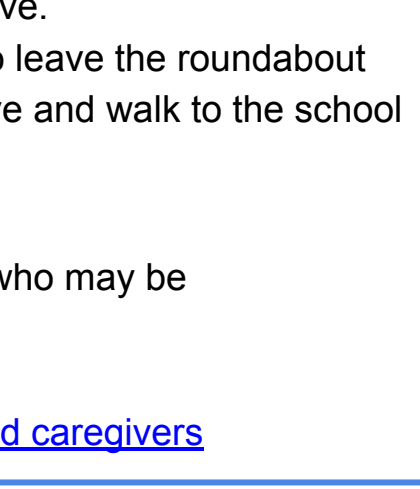


SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

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 to the office at Chartwell@wvschools.ca or voicemail system (604-981-1210).

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



TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR ARRIVAL AND PICK UP

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](#)

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!

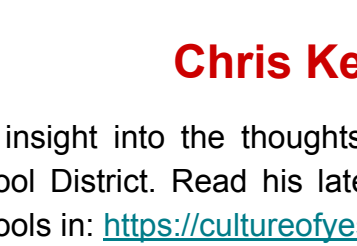
[Click here for more information and links to register.](#)

FOR INFORMATION ON THE COMING YEAR

[IMPORTANT DATES 2025 - 2026](#)

[CHARTWELL BELL TIMES](#)

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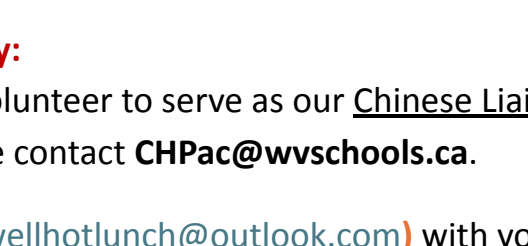
"I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides."

WV Community Corner

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/chrkenedy>

PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



📅 Week of October 20–24

We are excited to announce our **Class Parents for the 2025–2026 school year!**

Division 1: Jennifer K. Division 2: Sicily C. Division 3: Ozhideh A. Division 4: Kevin H. Division 5: Sororush L. Division 6: Karina Y.	Division 7: Hani S. Division 8: Rasmene A. Division 9: Lia L. Division 10: Shima T. Division 11: Nooshin D. Division 12: TBC
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A big thank-you to all our wonderful parents for supporting classrooms and strengthening our school community.

👉 **We are still looking for a Class Parent for Division 12:** please email CHPac@wvschools.ca.

🇨🇳 Chinese Liaison Vacancy:

We are also looking for a volunteer to serve as our [Chinese Liaison](#).

If you are interested, please contact CHPac@wvschools.ca.

Hot Lunch Program (chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com) with your **child's name and division** in email

If you are making changes to your Hot Lunch order, please review your order carefully after saving the updates.

🔔 **Don't forget to place your order!**

Munch lunch is open; orders can be placed up to **four days before the lunch date**.

🔴 Important:

If a student did not receive their lunch or received an incorrect order, they should report to the **Office**.

We sincerely thank our **office staff** for their support in managing lunch distribution, handling absent students' meals, and assisting during lunchtime.

🌟 We are looking for **volunteers** to help bring this major community-building fundraiser to life. If you'd like to be involved, please email CHPac@wvschools.ca.

Sincerely,

Chartwell PAC