



CHARTWELL  
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School Absences  
604-981-1210



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1300 Chartwell Drive, West Vancouver



[Chartwell's Website](#)

# LOOKING AHEAD



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| February 6         | Chartwell Oening Ceremonies - Wear country colours or Chartwell Spirit Wear                       |
| February 11        | <b>Lunar New Year Celebrations</b>  |
| February 12        | The 100 <sup>th</sup> Day of School   |
| <b>February 13</b> | <b>Reading Break - School not in session</b>  |
| <b>February 16</b> | <b>Family Day Holiday - School not in session</b>   |
| <b>February 17</b> | <b>Boys BB Game - away @ 3:30 pm - Ridgeview<br/>Girls BB Game - Home @ 3:30 pm - @ Chartwell</b> |
| February 18        | PAC Pancake Breakfast   |
| February 25        | <b>Pink Shirt Day</b>   |

## Follow, Chat & Stay Updated



Subscribe to our Instagram account to see more information spotlighting Chartwell's teaching, learning and fun!  
@Chartwellelementary

Join the Chartwell PAC WhatsApp group.





# — Mindful, Resilient, Kind — From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

At Chartwell, we are intentional about building a school community where everyone feels welcome, connected, and proud to belong. Our values of being Mindful, Resilient, and Kind guide our daily work, and school spirit plays an important role in strengthening that sense of belonging and pride in learning.

This week, we launched our Olympic celebrations with a Chartwell torch relay. The Olympic Games reflect many of the values we hope to nurture in our students—perseverance, teamwork, respect, and coming together across differences. In a world that can sometimes feel complicated, the Olympics offer a powerful reminder of what is possible when people unite around shared values.

Each division selected a student who consistently demonstrates our Chartwell values to represent them in the torch relay. These students remind us that positive leadership and character are noticed and valued within our community.

Tomorrow, we will gather for our Opening Ceremonies, where we'll explore the meaning of the Olympic Games and talk about sportsmanship—how to cheer with enthusiasm while showing respect and kindness toward others.

We invite families to join in the fun by encouraging conversations at home about sportsmanship and our Chartwell values, and by sending students in Olympic or Chartwell gear to show their school spirit.

Thank you for being part of a community that celebrates learning, connection, and kindness.

Warmly,  
Ms. Bell



# Chartwell Reminders

## Laptop Computers

Please remind all Grades 4–7 students that personal devices must be fully charged before coming to school.

Many students are expecting to plug in their devices during class time. This creates a safety concern, as we cannot have charging cords running across classrooms.

Thank you for supporting responsible device use by following school and district personal device guidelines.



## Feeding Futures

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare **Feeding Futures initiative**, the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families.

The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal or to **[feedingfutures@wvschools.ca](mailto:feedingfutures@wvschools.ca)**

if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

## Looking Ahead to Next Year

As enrollment planning begins for next year, we are gathering early information to support thoughtful planning. If you know that your child will **not be returning to Chartwell** next year, or if your plans are still uncertain, we kindly ask that you let the office know.  
(aundseth@wvschools.ca)

**This helps us with planning and does not affect your child's place at Chartwell.**

Thank you for helping us plan ahead.



# Chartwell Reminders

## Spirit Wear

### CHARTWELL TOQUES

This cozy stretch beanie is one size fits all. Order on Schools Cash Online before they're all gone!

\$25



## TERM 2 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS



**SIGN UP**

## West Van Run



### West Van Run! March 7th and 8th

We invite students and families to take part in this fun, community run and enjoy special discounted registration. Parents and students can register for \$45 using the code **WVSCHOOLS**, and children can join the Kids 1K for \$15 using the code **WVKIDS**. These codes can also be used by other family members who would like to participate.

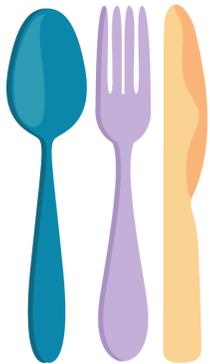
# Chartwell Reminders

## NO SUCH THING AS BAD WEATHER JUST INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Winter weather is here! Students go outside for approximately 45 minutes during morning and lunch recess, so it's important they are dressed to stay warm and dry.

**Please ensure your child comes to school wearing warm winter clothing**, including a coat, hat, gloves or mittens, snow pants, and waterproof boots.

We also recommend packing an extra set of clothes to keep at school or in their backpack in case they get wet.



## 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

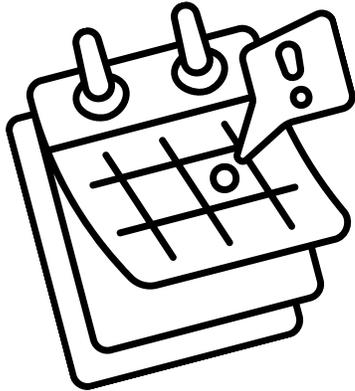
### LATE AND ABSENT POLICY

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 an email to the office at [Chartwell@wvschools.ca](mailto: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.

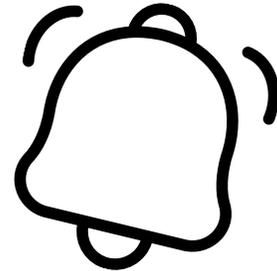


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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.



# WV Community Corner

## Literacy at the WVML



Join us for an engaging session on supporting your child's literacy and language development. Presented by West Vancouver Schools in partnership with the West Vancouver Memorial Library, these workshops will explore practical strategies to foster a love of reading, build foundational skills, and create strong home-school connections. Sessions will include insights from district educators and library staff, highlighting local resources that help every child thrive academically. All sessions will take place in Welsh Hall at the West Vancouver Memorial Library. Session dates are as follows:

January 27th - Parents of Grades 4 – 7 students

March 3rd – Parents of Grades 8 – 12 students

Did you know that it takes someone about 25 minutes to refocus on the task they were doing after being distracted by their phone?

The average teen gets 10 notifications an hour.  
Classes last 80 minutes.

**YOU DO THE MATH!**



### Parents & Caregivers

Learn about Discord, Roblox, Instagram and Snapchat using the link below:

[Parents Guide to Social Media and Digital Devices](#)

## 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:

[Culture of Yes](#) or [Chris Kennedy's Twitter Account](#)



# PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Week of February 2 -6



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### Hot Lunch Program

#### \*Hot Lunch Program

The order for the new term is opened!

**B-BOX** is looking forward to hearing feedback about their lunch boxes. Please submit to [chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com](mailto:chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com)

**MUI GARDEN** – offers a choice of rice, Hainanese rice, rice with egg of fried noodles with every main dish, however the students can only choose ONE topping. If by mistake more than one topping is chosen is chosen, only ONE will be served.

To report missing lunch or any other inquiries and suggestions, please email to [chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com](mailto:chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com), **start your email with the student's name and division.**

**Please place your order and support our biggest fundraiser!**

\* **RETURN - IT FUNDRAISER:** CPAC is launching a new tradition. **RETURN - IT FUNDRAISER** to support the LEAVING CEREMONY for Grade 7. Today you are helping to make a memorable ceremony for the leaving students, one day the ceremony will be for your child.

Make an impact with a few easy steps:

**Download RETURN-IT APP**

Register your account

Get transparent/clear or special blue/yellow bags  
Return-It accepts plastic bottles, aluminum cans, glass bottles, drink pouches, cartons, and bag in the box.

Choose your recycling depot and recycle using your account information.  
It might take a few days for you to see your funds. After you receive the funds:  
On your App – Home-Redeem Funds – Donate – Donate without Redeeming –

**Select Chartwell Elementary**

Become a RECYCLING HERO, send the photos of your bags to [CHPac@wvschools.ca](mailto:CHPac@wvschools.ca) and get recognised!  
All the Grade & parents can ask questions and share the opinions about leaving ceremony and the party at [CHPac@wvschools.ca](mailto:CHPac@wvschools.ca)



\* **Winter Fest (Pancake Breakfast)** is scheduled on February 18. Let's celebrate the end of the winter! Pancake Breakfast takes place at **8:15 a.m. at Chartwell Gym, Wednesday, February 18.**

Please place your order at Munchalunch - Fundraising Setup - Pancake Breakfast.  
**Chartwell PAC is looking for volunteers for the event, please confirm your availability at [CHPac@wvschools.ca](mailto:CHPac@wvschools.ca)**

Sincerely,  
Chartwell PAC.