

# CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY

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September 17th, 2026



School Absences  
**604-981-1210**



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1300 Chartwell Drive, West Vancouver



[Chartwell's Website](#)

# LOOKING AHEAD



|              |                                                                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sept 14 - 18 | Gradual entry for Kindergarten continues- (Half Day - 8:45 am - 12:03 pm       |
| Sept 18      | PAC Meeting: 9AM (Library) - <a href="#">Agenda HERE</a>                       |
| Sept 21      | Individual Photo Day - no green shirts                                         |
| Sept 22      | Cross Country Meet #2<br>3:45pm - 5:00pm @ Ambleside Field                     |
| Sept 23      | OPEN HOUSE: Early dismissal at 2:05PM                                          |
| Sept 24      | Terry Fox Run - Bring a Toonie for donation                                    |
| Sept 25      | Professional Day - School Not in Session                                       |
| Sept 29      | Orange Shirt Day<br>Cross Country Meet #3<br>3:45pm - 5:00pm @ Ambleside Field |
| Sept 30      | Truth & Reconciliation Stat Holiday - No school                                |
| Oct 2        | ELL Parent information meeting in the library<br>9:00 - 10:00am                |



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

Dear Chartwell Families,

What a great first full week it has been at Chartwell. With students now settled into their new classrooms, the school is beginning to find its rhythm. There is a wonderful energy in the building as new routines take shape, friendships grow, and students begin the work of learning together.

At our first whole-school assembly this week, we returned to the values that guide us at Chartwell: Mindful, Resilient and Kind. This year, we are placing a particular focus on resilience and what it means to “stay with it” when something feels challenging.

For children, that might mean trying again when the math problem doesn't come easily, joining a new group at recess, adjusting to a different classroom routine, or asking for help when they need it. These small moments matter. They are opportunities for children to discover that they can work through uncertainty, solve problems and do hard things.

As adults, one of the most powerful things we can do is give children the time and encouragement to work through these moments while reminding them that they have people around them who will support them along the way.

It has been a positive start to the year, and we are excited to see where our students take us next.

Warmly,

Ms. Bell



# Chartwell Action Item



## Mandatory Policies and Procedures Forms for 2026 - 2027

Next week, each student will be sent home with information and an important **Student Verification Form** that must be filled out and returned to the school.

It is necessary that our office has the most up-to-date information which is used to contact families in case of emergency as well as to communicate important information from the school.

There is also a set of **online Policies and Procedures Forms** that must be completed separately.

It is very important that each student has these forms filled out in order to participate in all school-based opportunities (i.e. Terry Fox Run, community walks, accessing digital resources and using school wifi). A separate link to these forms will go out soon.

**[Click here to access Policies and Procedures 2026-2027](#)**





**GIVE  
YOUR  
ALL**



**WEAR RED OR WHITE**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 24**

**\$1,000 SCHOOL GOAL**

ALL DONATIONS GO TO  
THE TERRY FOX FOUNDATION  
FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Cash donations accepted in the office.

**DONATE ONLINE NOW**

**DONATE**



**REQUIRED TO FULLY PARTICIPATE**

Complete the online Policies and  
Procedures form before the run.

The Terry Fox Run is a walking field trip.

**COMPLETE THE FORM**



**VOLUNTEER PARENT COURSE MARSHALS NEEDED**

11:00a.m.-12:00p.m. | Email Vice-PrincipalLee:jlee@wvschools.ca

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

**EMAIL**

## TERRY FOX POSTER CONTEST

**How was Terry mindful, resilient and kind?**

Posters should demonstrate:

**CREATIVITY**

**EFFORT**

**POSITIVE MESSAGE**

**DUE TO THE OFFICE: TUESDAY, SEPT. 22**

**Winners announced by Sept. 25**

Prizes include Terry Fox T-shirts and posters.



# Chartwell Reminders

## 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.

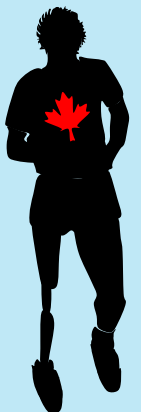
Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal or to [feedingfutures@wvschools.ca](mailto:feedingfutures@wvschools.ca) if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.



## Bring Toonies for Terry!

Bring a \$2 donation to school next week to support the Terry Fox Foundation and cancer research.

Help us reach our school goal of \$1000  
to fight cancer!



# Chartwell Reminders

## A Reminder for Our Cross Country Families

As we prepare for our Cross Country events, we want to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all students, families, and community members using the park. If you are bringing your dog to watch the race, please be aware of the District and municipal requirements regarding dogs at Ambleside and in park areas:

- Dogs are not permitted on grass, sports fields, beaches, playgrounds, piers, or gravel paths.
- Dogs must be on a leash no longer than 2 metres on permitted paved footpaths and paved areas.
- Please keep dogs clear of the Cross Country course and student running areas, even when they are leashed.
- Please pick up after your dog and dispose of waste in the bins provided.

These guidelines are particularly important during Cross Country events, when students are running in groups and may be moving quickly through shared park spaces. Keeping dogs on permitted pathways and away from the course helps us maintain a safe environment for all of our students.

Thank you for helping us keep our Cross Country events safe, welcoming, and enjoyable for everyone.

The [District map](#) provided by the District of West Vancouver illustrates the permitted areas for leashed dogs at Ambleside, including the requirement that leashes be 2 metres or less and that dogs remain off grass, fields, beaches, playgrounds, piers, and gravel paths



FORMERLY NORTH SHORE  
MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS)

Support for you and your family as you  
navigate the Canadian school system

**CHECK OUT THE  
UPCOMING WORKSHOPS  
& EVENTS!**



SWIS hosts a variety of workshops for newcomers and community events. Our newcomer workshops explore topics such as Canadian culture and systems, employment options, English language, parenting, health and so much more. Our community events explore themes of immigrant inclusion, belonging, and anti-racism.

<https://impactnorthshore.ca/immigrant-service-centre/settlement-workers-in-schools/>

# Chartwell Reminders

## School Supplies 2026-2027

Please order your child's school supplies if you haven't already. All required items are needed for learning activities. If you already have any of the optional items at home, you are welcome to send those rather than purchasing new ones.

Please note that Comfort Kits are not required and should not be sent to school.

**Online Ordering [LINKED HERE](#) , Password: 4516**

# STAY Connected



### SMS Text Messaging

For parents/guardians who would like to be notified of a school emergency such as power outages, severe weather or safety alerts via

**SMS - Please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.**

## Follow, Chat & Stay Updated



Subscribe to our Instagram account to see more information

**@Chartwellelementary**

Join the Chartwell PAC WhatsApp group.



# Chartwell Reminders

## Personal Digital Device Use – Elementary School Expectations

At West Vancouver Schools, we know that digital devices can support learning—but they can also be a distraction. To help students stay focused and safe at school, new provincial guidelines now require consistent rules across all schools.

The school expectations are:

- Personal devices (including cell phones) may only be used with permission from a teacher or administrator.
- Devices are not to be used during the school day, including before school, recess, lunch, and after school.
- Exceptions will be made for medical, accessibility, or other accommodation needs.



### How you can help:

- Review the Parent/Guardian Guide to Personal Digital Devices and any expectations from your child's teacher.
- Model healthy tech habits at home—especially during family time.
- Support balance by encouraging reading, outdoor play, and screen-free time.
- Avoid texting or calling your child during school hours. If it is an emergency call the office for help. We can pass on important information to your child.

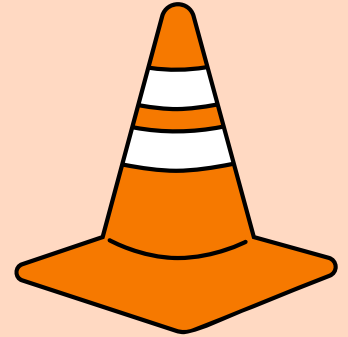
By working together, we can help all students focus, learn, and thrive. Thank you for your support!

**Thank you for your partnership and continued support. Let's keep building on the success of this initiative and continue supporting safe, focused learning for all.**

# Chartwell Traffic

## SAFE ARRIVAL AND PICK-UP INFORMATION

At Chartwell, student safety is our top priority. Please follow the school's drop-off and pick-up procedures to help keep everyone safe and reduce traffic congestion. Traffic is especially busy before and after school.

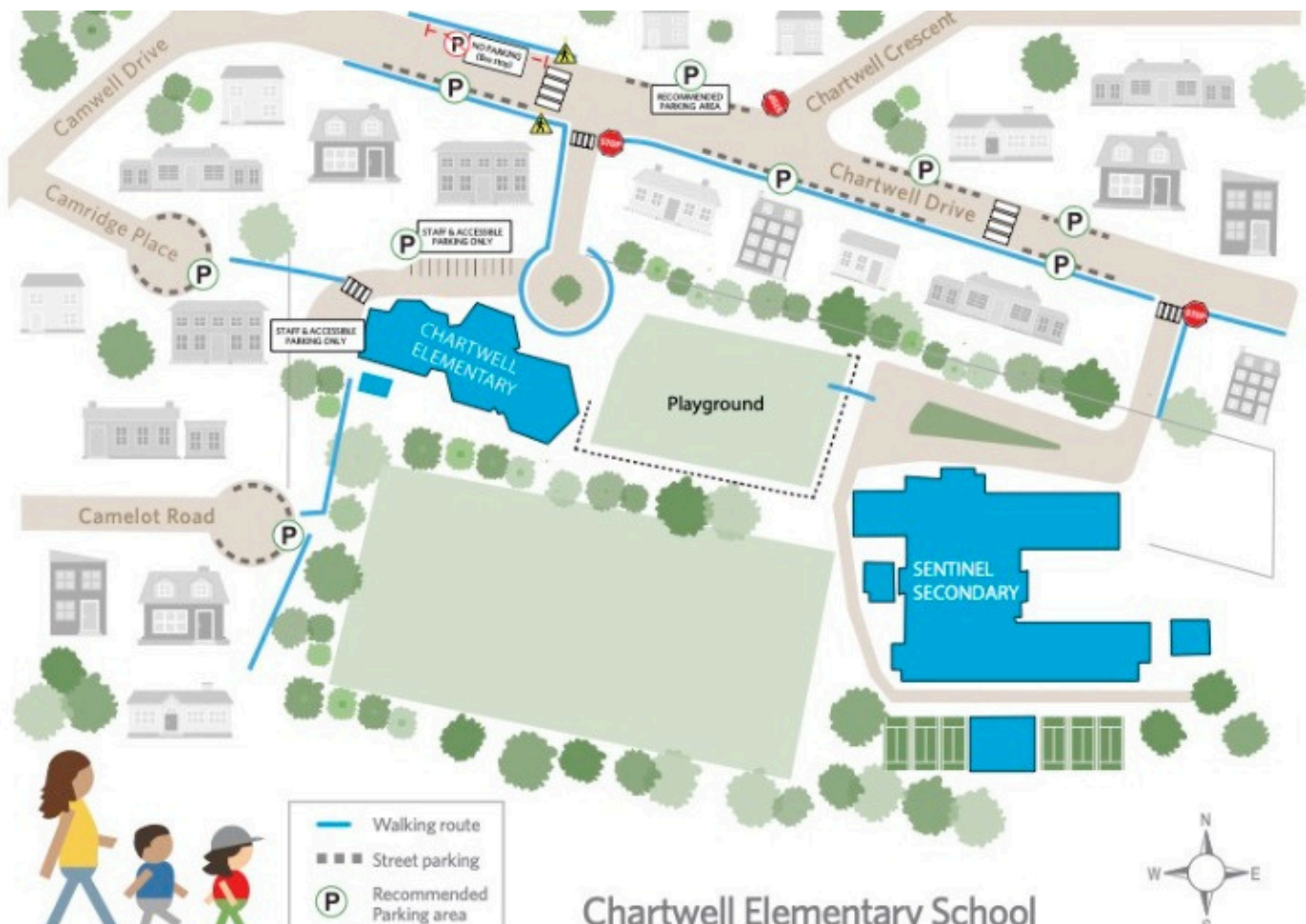


Tips to support smooth drop-off and pick-up:

- Carpool or use active transportation (walk, roll, or bus).
- Drop off/pick up Grade 4-7 students on Cambridge Pl. or Camelot Rd.
- Arrange a meeting spot with your child on Chartwell Drive.
- If your child is not ready when you arrive, please leave the roundabout and re-enter once they are ready.

We recommend parking on Chartwell Drive and walking in to meet your child instead of waiting in the roundabout.

**Important:** Please share this information with **anyone** who may be dropping off or picking up your child



# E-TRANSPORT:

## Know Before You Buy or Ride

Not all small or electric transportation is treated the same.  
*Know the Micromobility rules for Personal Electric Vehicles in West Vancouver.*

| Vehicle Type                                                                                                  | Where Can I Ride?                      | How Old Do I Need To Be?                          | Max Speed                                 | License & Insurance?             | Other Important Rules           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <br><b>e-bike</b>            | Anywhere bicycles can ride             | 14+ for light e-bikes<br>16+ for standard e-bikes | Light bikes: 25 km/h<br>Standard: 32 km/h | No license or insurance required | Must have fully operable pedals |
| <br><b>e-scooter</b>        | Anywhere bicycles can ride in West Van | 16+                                               | 25 km/h                                   | No license or insurance required | Solo riders only                |
| <br><b>moped/LSM</b>       | Public Roads Only                      | 16+                                               | 70 km/h                                   | License & insurance required     | BC licence plate required       |
| <br><b>e-dirt bike</b>     | Not on roads, sidewalks, or bike lanes | Not legal at any age on public roads              | Not permitted on public roads             | Cannot be registered or insured  | Not legal on public roads       |
| <br><b>mini-motorcycle</b> | Not on roads, sidewalks, or bike lanes | Not legal at any age on public roads              | Not permitted on public roads             | Cannot be registered or insured  | Not legal on public roads       |



**WEST VANCOUVER**  
**POLICE**

# Term 1 After School Activities

CLICK HERE



|           | Lunchtime | After school in Library or Room 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Afterschool in the Gym                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Everyday  |           | <a href="#">Top Drawer Daycare Club</a><br>In the portable, everyday before and after school. Pro-D Days and school holidays. <a href="#">More Info here.</a> <a href="#">Register here</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Monday    |           | <b>Artmania</b> in Room1<br>Architecture<br><b>Age:</b> K - 7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 4:45 pm<br><b>Cost:</b> \$420 per paragraph text<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 21 - Dec. 14<br>(No class Oct. 12)<br><a href="#">Register HERE</a><br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><br><b>Debate</b> – Library<br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 6-7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45-4:45 pm<br><b>Cost:</b> \$955.50 (GST included)<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 14 - Dec. 14 (no class Oct. 12)<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a> | <b>Sports Explorer</b><br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 1-4<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 pm - 4:15pm<br><b>Cost:</b> \$240 + GST<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 21 - Nov.9<br>(No class Oct. 12, Nov.9)<br><a href="#">Register HERE</a>                                           |
| Tuesday   |           | <a href="#">Lego Robotics</a> - Library<br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 3-7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 3:45 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 29 - Dec. 1<br><b>Cost:</b> \$499<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Cross Country Gr.3-7</b><br>Sept 15, 22, 29 - 3:30 pm<br>@ Ambleside Field<br><br><b>Gr. 7 Volleyball Games</b><br>Oct. 20 - Nov. 17, 3:30 pm                                                                                                     |
| Wednesday |           | <b>Yoga</b> -Library<br><b>Age:</b> K-7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 3:45 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept 16- Dec 3 (No class Sept 30 and Nov 11) Early Class on Sept 23 and Oct 14.<br><b>Cost:</b> \$171(GST Included)<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Red Fox</b><br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 1-7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 pm - 4:30 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 23 - Dec. 9<br>(No class on Sept. 30, Nov. 11) Early class on Sept. 23 and Oct. 14.<br><b>Cost:</b> FREE to register<br><a href="#">Register HERE</a> |

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| Thursday | <b>Chess</b><br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 1-7<br><b>Time:</b> Lunch and Noon Recess<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 10 - Dec. 10 (no class Oct. 15)<br><b>Cost:</b> \$150<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a> | <b><a href="#">Coding</a></b> - Room 1<br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 4 - 7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 4:00 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 24th - Dec. 10 (No class Oct. 8, Oct. 15)<br><b>Cost:</b> \$500<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a><br><br><b><a href="#">Debate</a></b> – Library<br><b>Age:</b> Gr. 4-5<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 4:45 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Sept. 17 - Dec.17 (Oct.15 early class from 12:15 - 2:15 pm)<br><b>Cost:</b> \$1029 (GST included)<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a> | <b>Hoops Basketball</b><br><b>Age:</b> Gr. K- 3<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 - 4:00 pm<br><b>Dates:</b> Oct. 8 - Nov. 26 (No class Oct. 15, Oct. 22)<br><b>Cost:</b> \$290<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a> |
| Friday   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Lights Up (Musical Theatre)</b> - Library<br><b>Age:</b> Gr. K-7<br><b>Time:</b> 2:45 pm- 5:00 pm<br><b>Cost:</b> \$380 + GST<br><b>Dates:</b> Oct. 2 - Dec. 11 (no class Oct. 23 and Nov. 27)<br><a href="#">Info HERE</a><br><a href="#">Register HERE</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

**Grades 1-4**

## ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM FOR NEURODIVERSE PLAYERS

13 Week Program  
Fridays 3:45-4:45 PM  
Ages 4 to 15  
First Session is Friday, Sept. 11th  
Location: Ambleside Field D




FUN AND INCLUSIVE





## Sport Explorers Development

Chartwell Elementary Gym



### Development

Grades 1-4

**Mondays 2:45pm - 4:15pm**

Sport Explorers Development allows athletes to build on their fundamental skills by focusing on sport specific skill development and tactical understanding. Athletes will refine techniques such as passing, dribbling, shooting, and defending.

Coaches introduce key concepts like teamwork, spacing, and communication, encouraging athletes to think critically and make decisions during active gameplay.

This program prepares young athletes for higher levels of physical education and organized sport.

**\$240 for 8 sessions**  
September 21st - November 16th  
STAT Holiday October 12th, No Session

[REGISTER HERE](#)


[privatecoachingco@gmail.com](mailto:privatecoachingco@gmail.com)  
[https://www.privatecoachingco.com/register/product-detail/ChartwellSENF2020/2020FT10\(Grade1-4\)](https://www.privatecoachingco.com/register/product-detail/ChartwellSENF2020/2020FT10(Grade1-4))  
All skill levels welcome  
[contact@privatecoachingco.com](mailto:contact@privatecoachingco.com)



# Chartwell Elementary Friday Badminton Program Enrollment (Fall 2026)

A PAC  
Fundraising  
Event

Good  
Friends  
Brighter Days!

We want to thank all parents for your support and participation in this PAC fundraising event. We are pleased to announce the registration details for this term Friday Badminton activity.

Here are the full details:

## 1 Family Badminton Play



**Fee option 1: \$30 per family per term**  
(includes access for all family members)

**Fee option 2: Drop-in option:**  
\$5 per session for occasional attendance.



**Dates:** Every Friday from September 18th to December 11th (except September 25th, October 23rd, and November 27th.)



**Time:** 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM



**Total Weeks:** 10 weeks



**Court Availability:**

- 3:00 – 4:00 PM → All 3 courts available
- 4:00 – 7:00 PM → 2 courts available



## 2 Supervised Student Badminton Training

(Limited to 4 students  
per session)



**Dates:** Every Friday from September 18th to December 11th (except September 25th, October 23rd, and November 27th.)



**Time:** 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM



**Total Weeks:** 7 weeks

| Time Slot      | Skill Level               | Fees                                                |
|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 4:00 – 5:00 PM | Beginner/<br>Intermediate | \$266<br>(includes family<br>badminton play access) |
| 5:00 – 6:00 PM | Intermediate/<br>Advanced | \$266<br>(includes family<br>badminton play access) |
| 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Intermediate/<br>Advanced | \$266<br>(includes family<br>badminton play access) |

Build Skills  
Make Friends  
Have Fun!



### Clarification on Supervision Requirement:

1

For safety reasons, we kindly ask that only Chartwell families who are registered for the activity remain in the gym.

2

Please note that children who participate in the family play session must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times.

3

If students' training ends and they wish to stay for the family play session, parents must be present and supervise throughout the activity. This is to ensure the safety of all participants, especially when younger and older students are sharing the gym space.

4

Please enter and exit through the gym's side door (closest to the parking lot), and make sure to sign in and out at the check-in table by the entrance. Thank you!

Safety  
Builds a  
Stronger  
Community!

REGISTRATION  
OPENS



**Sunday, September 13, 2026  
at 12:00 PM**

Register through  **Munchalunch.com**

Spots may  
be limited!  
Register early!



Active Kids • Stronger Families • A Brighter Chartwell



# PAC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



## September 17



CHARTWELL ELEMENTARY PAC

Funded by Parents | Powered by CPAC

### Welcome new and returning families.

As a parent or guardian of a student at Chartwell, you are automatically a member of CPAC. Our executive team is already hard at work planning an exciting year ahead.

CPAC enriches students' school experience through community events, cultural celebrations, and fundraising initiatives such as community events, celebrating our diverse culture, and driving key fundraising initiatives. The funds we raise directly support crucial school enhancements, from library renovations and classroom learning tools to playground upgrades and sports equipment.

Join our first **CPAC meeting on September 18 at 9:00 AM in the Chartwell library**. This introductory meeting is the perfect opportunity to meet the new committee, learn about our upcoming goals, and find out how you can get involved. Whether you can volunteer your time or simply want to stay informed, we look forward to connecting with you and working together to support our students.

Sincerely, Chartwell PA



### Class Representatives Needed

We need one parent volunteer from each division to represent their class and attend PAC meetings. Interested? Please email us at [CHPac@wvschools.ca](mailto:CHPac@wvschools.ca)

#### MEETING AGENDA for GENERAL MEETING

**Date:** September 18th (Fri) 2026

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM **Place:** Library

#### CHAIR'S WELCOME

Territory Acknowledgement

Meeting Call to Order

Approval of last meetings minutes : June 12, 2026

Approval of agenda for current meeting : Sept 18, 2026

#### QUESTIONS & BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING MINUTES

#### OFFICER'S REPORTS

Chair's Report - John A. (5 min)

Principal's Report - Ms. Bell (10 min)

DPAC Report - Nooshin N. (2 min)

Treasurer's Report - Melissa G. (5 min)

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hot Lunch - Kevin H. (5 min)

Event and Fundraising - Rasmene A. (5 min)

1) Teacher's Day (Oct 5th, Monday).

2) Halloween Event

Parent Volunteers - John A. (5 min)

1) Grad Committee

2) Class Parents

#### NEW BUSINESS

Nomination of Chinese Liaison

#### Q&A PERIOD

#### MEETING ADJOURNMENT

# CHARTWELL HOT LUNCH IS BACK!

More choice. More variety. Five days a week.

Tasty Food Brighter Days! ♥



Ordering opens  
**SEPTEMBER 13**



Hot Lunch begins  
**SEPTEMBER 21**



## Good to know:

Orders must be placed at least one week before the lunch delivery date.



Two vendors  
each day



A variety of  
cuisines throughout  
the week



Halal options  
available  
every day



Smaller portion  
options available  
every day



New vendors this year: Zaatar, Aburi & Hatam!



Healthy  
Choices  
Happy Kids  
♥



## Want all the details?

See the full Hot Lunch Information Guide for vendors, menu rotations and ordering instructions.

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE FULL GUIDE](#)



Good  
Food  
Great  
Community  
♥



**ORDER NOW**



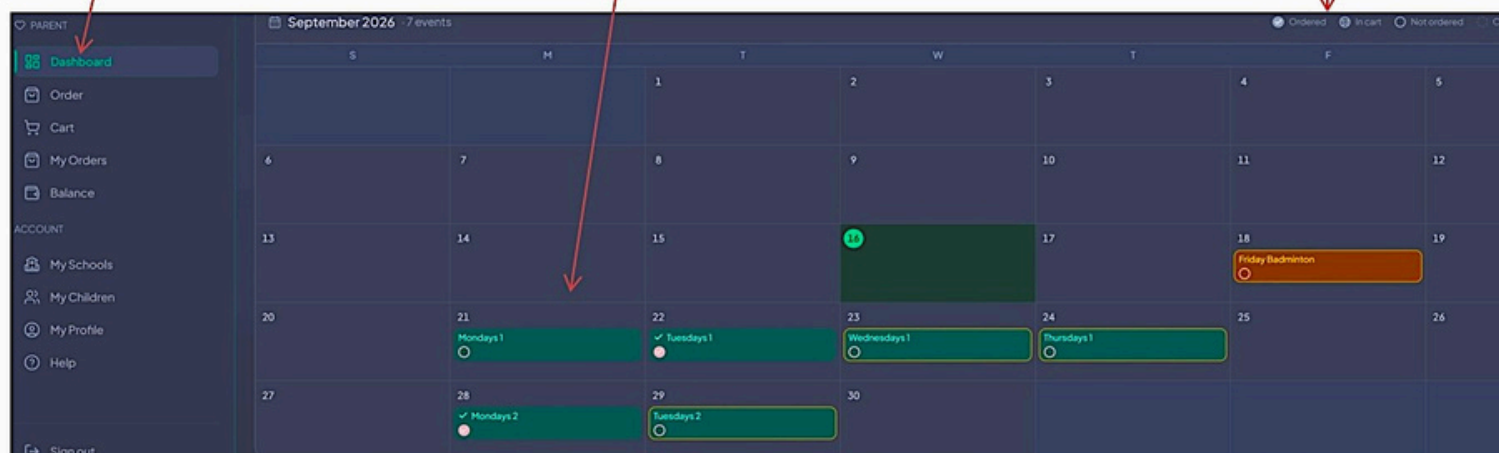
## Please Check your orders

Please check if you have successfully placed order for your child's lunch.

Step 1: click on the dashboard

Step 2: verify order status in the calendar:  
In this case, only 9/22 and 9/28 will have lunch delivered

Refer to the legend for details



For questions, please send email to:  
chartwellhotlunch@outlook.com

## Welcome to Our Parent's Monthly Physical Literacy Newsletter!

We are excited to share our Parent's Monthly Newsletter, created to support families in understanding the importance of physical literacy and the role movement plays in a child's development. As educators, we know that movement is about more than exercise—it is a foundation for confidence, creativity, connection, and lifelong well-being.

Thank you for your continued dedication to helping your children grow, learn, and thrive through movement, exploration, and play. Together, we can inspire a lifelong love of being active!

### Jina Taylor

SD#71, Physical Literacy Lead  
Teacher, Learning in Motion Program  
Workshop Facilitator and Physical Literacy Lead

### Dwayne Roberts

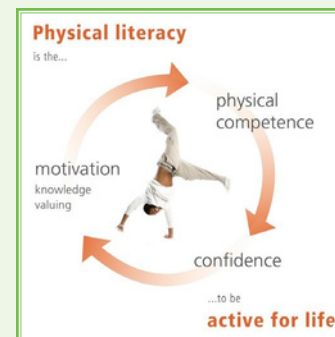
Program Manager, Indigenous Programs, Learning in Motion Program



## What is Physical Literacy

"Physical literacy is the motivation, confidence, physical competence, knowledge, and understanding to value and take responsibility for engagement in physical activities for life."

— *The International Physical Literacy Association, May 2014*



## How is Physical Literacy Developed?

Kids develop physical literacy gradually through a variety of structured and unstructured activities. The nature of these activities grow as kids grow in age and ability.



## What We Can Do to Develop Physical Literacy

### ROLE MODEL BEING ACTIVE

Children learn from what they see others do, so if you're active they'll see the behavior as normal. Chances are they'll want to be active too.



### FIND THE SPACE

Children need space to run around and be active. Maybe it's in the house with furniture to the side or maybe it is outside in nature, but they need a safe space to build their skills.

### EXPOSE CHILDREN TO A VARIETY OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

Being active can mean playing sports such as soccer, hockey or basketball, but can also mean skateboarding, yoga, dance, walking, cycling or hiking. The idea is to provide a variety of opportunities and different ways to be active and children will choose to continue doing what they enjoy.



### WE ALL NEED ENCOURAGEMENT

Just like with reading and math, physical literacy will take time to develop. Be patient and supportive while your child's brain and muscles grow and provide opportunities for practice.



## **A note from North Shore Black Bear Society on bear safety awareness:**

**With school back in session, and daylight hours becoming shorter, the North Shore Black Bear Society would like to share some bear safety and awareness information with families.**

**When families and children are walking to and from school, it's important to use your voices and stay together as a group. Talking out loud, singing or calling out lets any bears (or other wildlife) know that humans are present.**

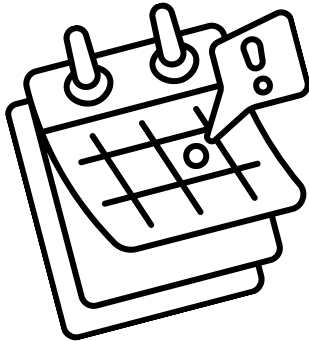
**If you do meet a bear, we recommend that you:**

- Stop.**
- Gather together as a group.**
- Speak to the bear in a calm voice (do not shout or scream).**
- Slowly back away (do not run).**

**The bear will either slowly and calmly move away, or will ignore you (which might mean changing your route). Please share this information with your children.**

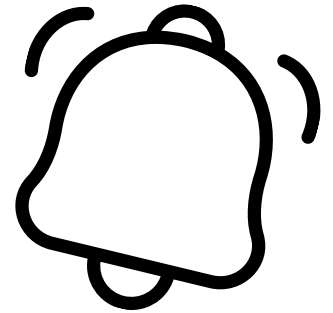
**Please check our website for more information about coexisting with these beautiful animals <https://northshorebears.com>**

# Chartwell Reminders



## IMPORTANT DATES 2026-2027

## CHARTWELL BELL TIMES



## West Vancouver Schools Community Connections

**Sara Bell**  
**Principal**  
**Chartwell (ECH)**  
**West Vancouver Schools**  
**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, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.