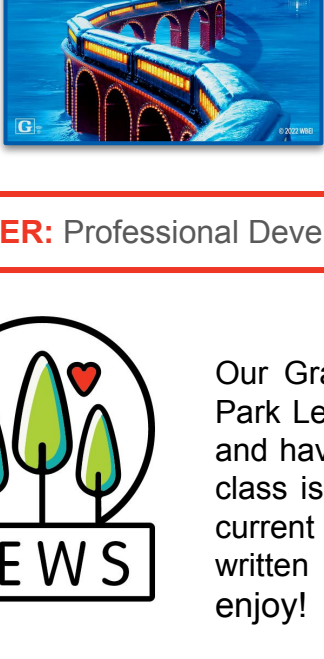


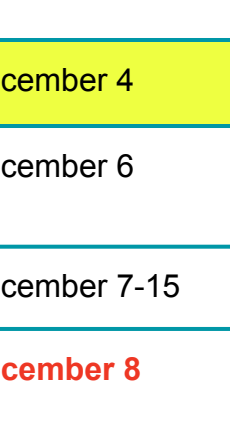
November 30, 2023



MOVIE NIGHT TONIGHT!

POLAR EXPRESS
DATE: Thurs, Nov 30 (Doors open at 4:45PM)
MOVIE: The Polar Express
LOCATION: Cypress Park School Gym
DETAILS: PJ's, Blankets, Stuffedies, Hot Chocolate, Treats, Live Raffle Draw, Top Student Award

REMINDER: Professional Development day, Monday December 4th, schools will not be in session



TERM ONE CP NEWS SHOW

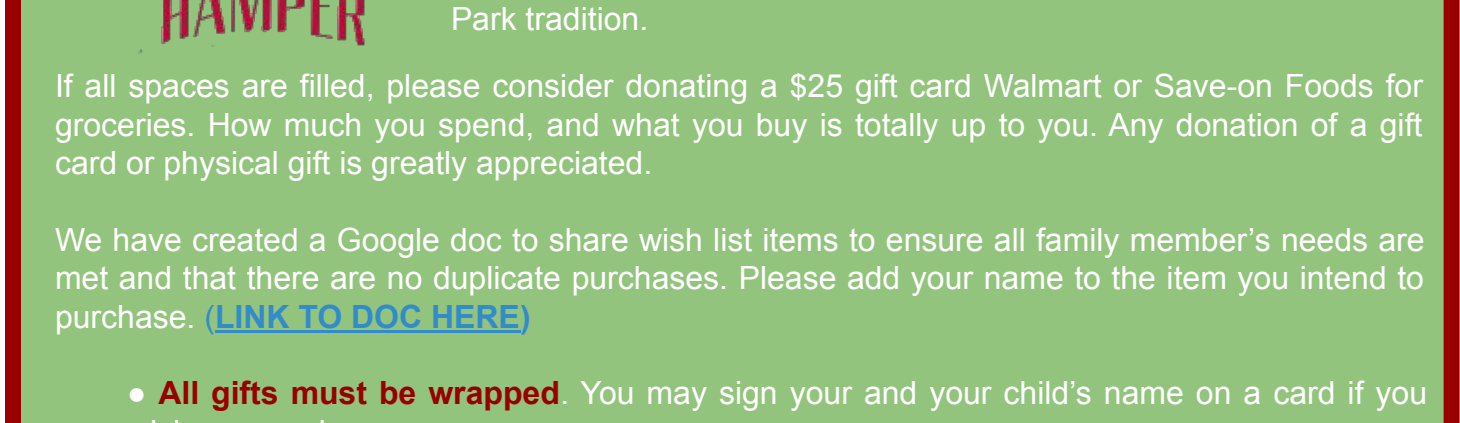
Our Grade 3 students are investigating **Who We Are**, as Cypress Park Leaders. The students are inquiring into the qualities of leaders and have brainstormed how we can be leaders at Cypress Park. The class is practicing their communication skills as they share past and current events. This is our first installment of the CP News this year - written and directed by the Grade three students. We hope you enjoy! [WATCH HERE](#)

LOOKING AHEAD

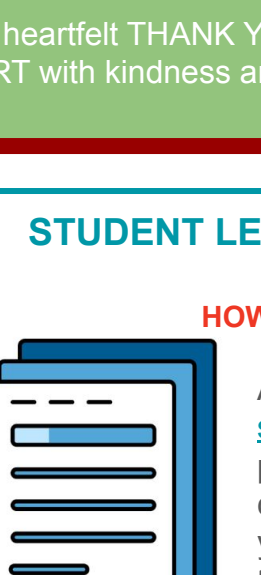
December 1	First Festive Friday - Spirit Wear / Red and Green clothing Grade 3's to Dundarave to decorate the CP tree in the PM
December 4	Professional Development Day (school not in session)
December 6	Martial Arts lesson in PE Grade 3's to visit West Bay in the PM
December 7-15	Happy Hanukkah
December 8	Festive Friday - Spirit Wear / Hats, Toques, Antler Ears, Santa Hat Term 1 Learning Update Published to MYED Family Portal
December 11-15	Dance Week - Final performance in the gym on Dec 15 at 2:00 PM
December 15	Festive Friday - Spirit Wear / Holiday Sweater
December 18	Holiday Sing-a-long 2:15 PM in the Gym
December 19	PAC meeting 7:00 PM at the PAC Chair's Residence
December 20	Lacrosse lesson in PE
December 22	Festive Friday - Holiday Pajama Day Early dismissal 12:05 - Last day of school
December 25 - January 5	Winter Break
January 8	First day back to school

FESTIVE FRIDAYS

Students are invited to get festive every Friday and come to school wearing their festive colours, headgear, sweaters, and PJ's on the designated day.



HOLIDAY HAMPERS - TIS THE SEASON TO GIVE BACK!



In the spirit of giving, Cypress Park we will be supporting 2 families in need this year from Queen Mary School in North Vancouver. Let's make these children and their families' holiday season a little brighter. We are asking all Cypress Park parents to look at our holiday hamper wish list and bring in an item to donate!

Please bring in the new item(s) **gift wrapped** or in an envelope for gift cards **labelled** with "Family #1 - mom" or "Family #2 - 9 year old girl" for example. Please join us to make a difference in these families' lives. Thank you for your support in continuing this Cypress Park tradition.

If all spaces are filled, please consider donating a \$25 gift card Walmart or Save-on Foods for groceries. How much you spend, and what you buy is totally up to you. Any donation of a gift card or physical gift is greatly appreciated.

We have created a Google doc to share wish list items to ensure all family member's needs are met and that there are no duplicate purchases. Please add your name to the item you intend to purchase. ([LINK TO DOC HERE](#))

- **All gifts must be wrapped.** You may sign your and your child's name on a card if you wish, or remain anonymous.
- Please indicate on each gift who it is intended for: ie: Family # 1 Girl 9 years old.
- Please include gift receipts with all purchases.
- Please **drop off** your wrapped gift no later than **Thursday, December 14th.**

A big heartfelt THANK YOU we believe more than ever it is a time to show our Cypress Park HEART with kindness and compassion.

STUDENT LEARNING UPDATE REPORTS WILL BE PUBLISHED ON DECEMBER 8 at 2:30PM

HOW TO ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT ON MYEDUCATION BC IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ACCOUNT

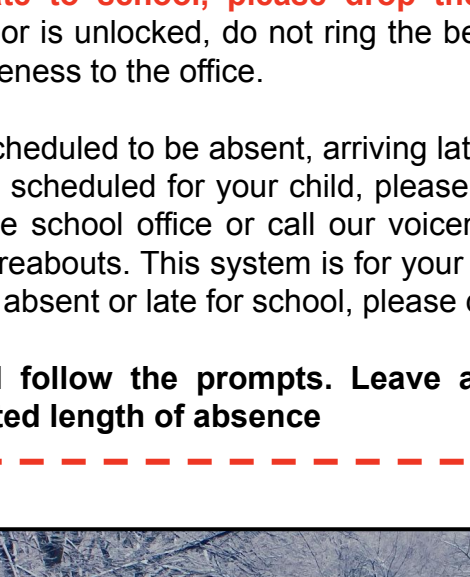


All new parents will have received an email on November 3rd from sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca or admin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca providing a temporary one-time password – you would have been asked to create a new password immediately. If you did not receive an email check your junkmail first as it could be in that folder. We encourage you to set up the Family Portal on receipt of your email with a new password and practice navigating the site so that you are ready for Report Cards, ELL Reports and IEPs when they are published on **8th December.**

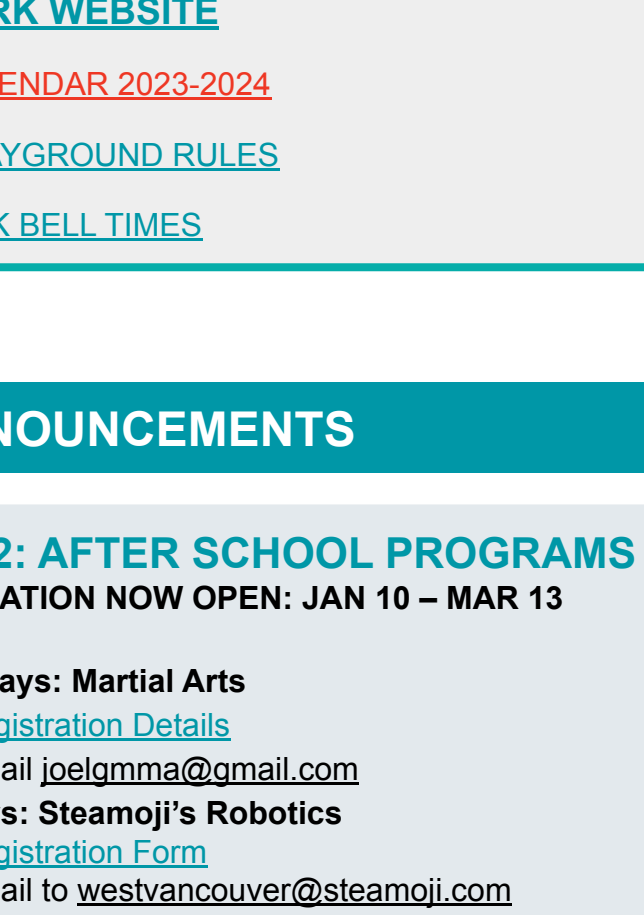
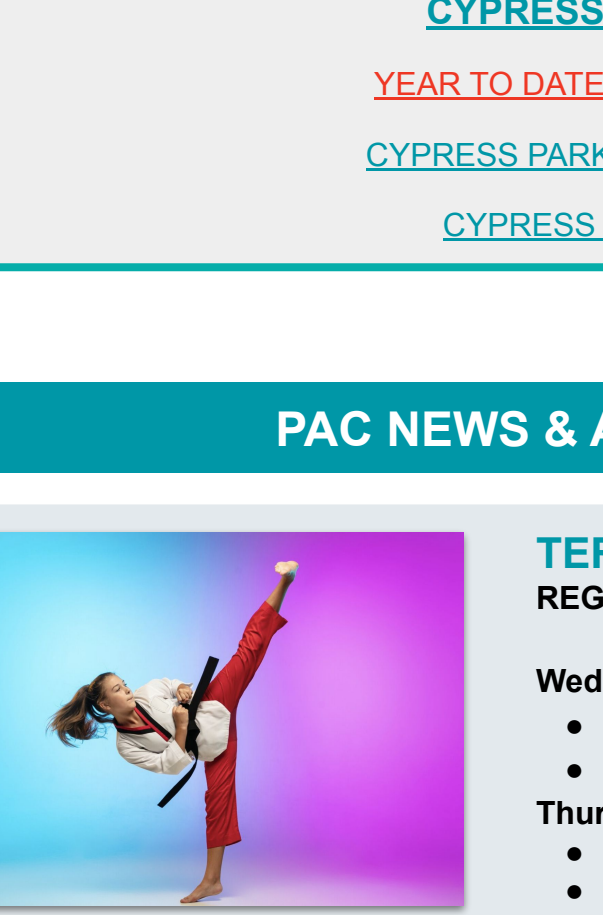
Please remember that if you have an older child in high school, you already have an account and can see all your children on that one account. These reports will only be available until 31st January 2024, so we advise you to download and save for future reference.

HERE ARE LINKS TO HELP YOU
[MYED FAMILY PORTAL HELP](#)
[VIDEO VERSION HERE](#)

EXTENDED HOLIDAYS DURING SCHOOL TIME If your child is going to be absent from school please email your classroom teacher and call (604-981-1330) our school office, or email Ms. Thoma at ethoma@wvschools.ca to let us know.

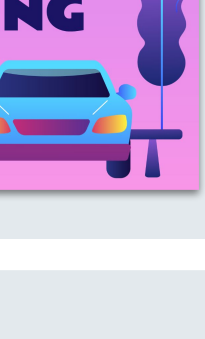


VOLUNTARY ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL Please understand that if you are choosing to take extended holidays when classes are in session, teachers cannot replicate the learning that happens within the classroom and are not able to provide online learning opportunities. Our teachers do their very best to support students during required absences due to illness, however, when the absence is voluntary and a family's choice (such as extending a weekend, holiday, or vacation), it is a family's responsibility to maintain academic learning at home. Please take time to read with your child, have them write in a "holiday" journal, and take advantage of other opportunities to practice foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and using math while cooking). Families may email their child's teacher(s) to see if there is other work their child can do, however, our teachers' energy and focus continues to be on the learning and safety of students within the classroom.



LATE AND ABSENT POLICY

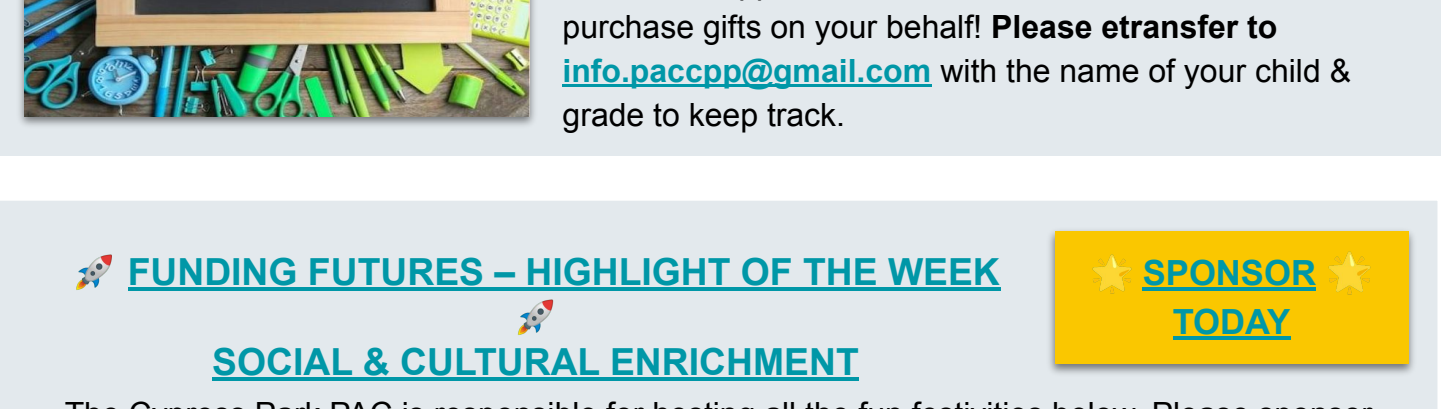
We realized that sometimes things come up in the morning beyond your control, however when students come to class late, it disrupts the flow of morning routine, distract other students and impede learning. One of the most important things your child can do to reach the goal of success is also one of the most basic: attend school every day on time!



****If your child is arriving late to school, please ring the bell, off outside the undercover entrance door.** Our outside door is unlocked, do not ring the bell, our child can enter the school on their own and report their lateness to the office.

If for any reason your child is scheduled to be absent, arriving late after the morning bell at 8:30am, or you have an early departure scheduled for your child, please be sure to advise your classroom teacher via email and email the school office or call our voicemail system. Cypress Park has to account for each student's whereabouts. This system is for your child's protection. How It Works: If you know that your child will be absent or late for school, please do the following:

Telephone 604-981-1330 and follow the prompts. Leave a message with: Child's name, teacher, grade # and anticipated length of absence



WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell :

1. Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
2. The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
3. The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
4. The protection of other children



Please keep your child home if they :

- ❖ Have a fever
- ❖ Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities
- ❖ Have a suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox or measles)
- ❖ Is vomiting or has diarrhea. It is recommended that students be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to School.

More information can be found online at Vancouver Coastal Health link vch.ca

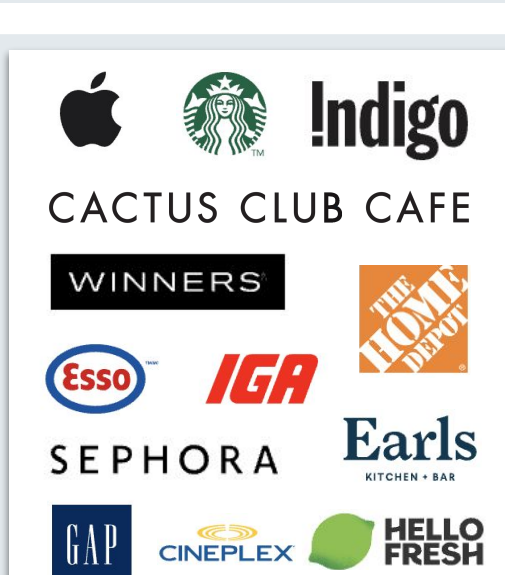
CYPRESS PARK WEBSITE

[YEAR TO DATE CALENDAR 2023-2024](#)

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[CYPRESS PARK BELL TIMES](#)

PAC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

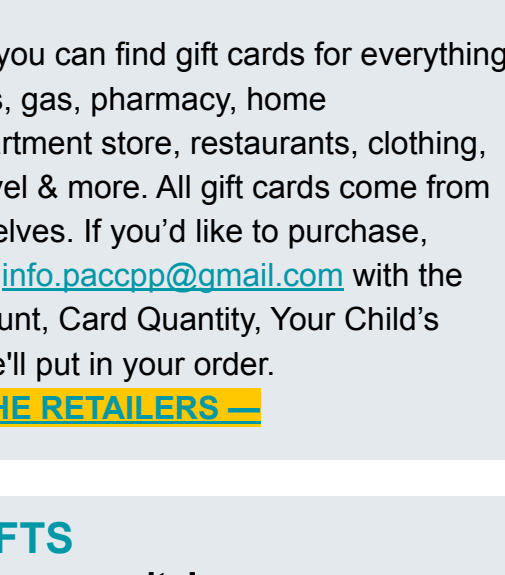


TERM 2: AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: JAN 10 – MAR 13

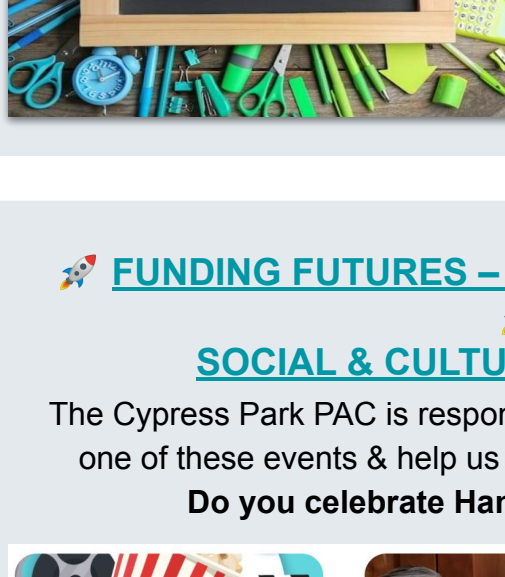
- Wednesdays: Martial Arts**
- [Registration Details](#)
 - Email joelgmma@gmail.com
- Thursdays: Steamoji's Robotics**
- [Registration Form](#)
 - Email to westvancouver@steamoji.com

VIP PARKING – SILENT AUCTION

Did missed out last term on the VIP park spot & are you tired of the morning rush? This is your chance!



- **What?** 2 designated VIP Parking spots available for silent auction (Term 2: Jan - Mar)
- **How?** Send bids to info.paccpp@gmail.com
- **DEADLINE?** Friday, December 22



TEACHER'S GIFTS

Thank you for your generosity!

We're 91% of the way to our goal - thank you! We're collecting \$40 per student (feel free to send more!) for the Winter Holiday/Year End gifts for our lovely teachers & School Support Staff. These funds will be used to purchase gifts on your behalf! Please **transfer to info.paccpp@gmail.com** with the name of your child & grade to keep track.

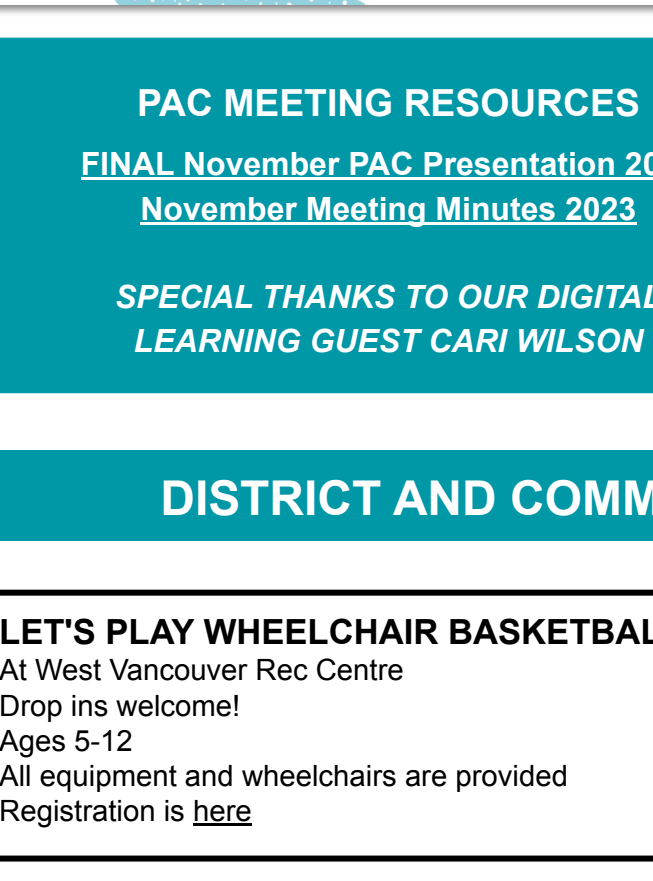
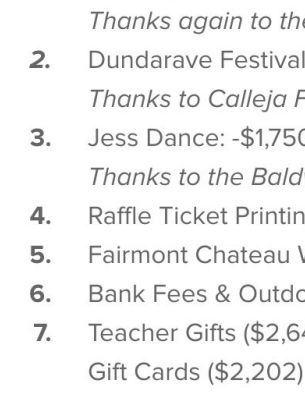
FUNDING FUTURES – HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK

SOCIAL & CULTURAL ENRICHMENT



The Cypress Park PAC is responsible for hosting all the fun festivities below. Please sponsor one of these events & help us make these special social & cultural occasions a success.

Do you celebrate Hanukkah or another holiday? Please let us know!



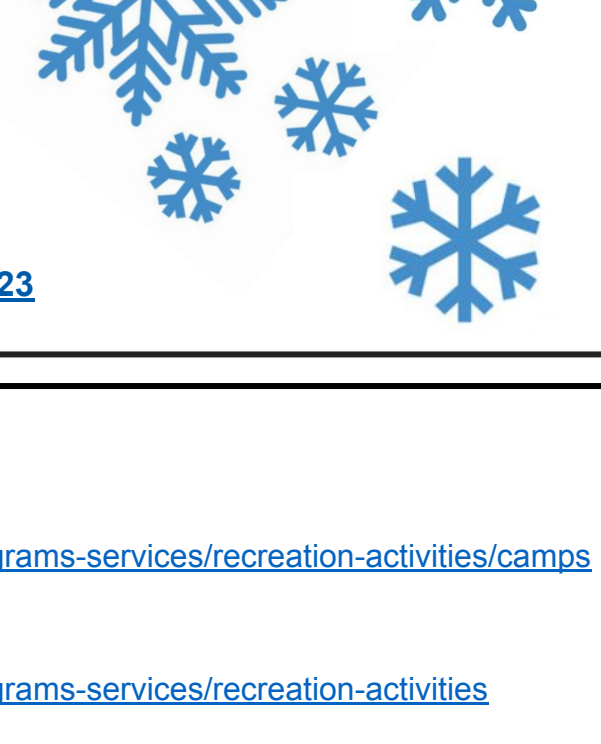
PAC PURCHASES THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER PURCHASES

1. Kindergarten Table Purchase - \$2,105.67
Thanks again to the Antoni & Wan Family!
2. Dundarave Festival of Lights Tree: - \$300
Thanks to Calleja Family!
3. Jess Dance: -\$1,750.00
Thanks to the Baldwin & Holmes Families
4. Raffle Ticket Printing: -\$212.80
5. Fairmont Cheateau Whistler Prize: -\$348
6. Bank Fees & Outdoor Classroom: -\$58.75
7. Teacher Gifts (\$2,645), Hot Lunches (\$8,506)
Gift Cards (\$2,202)

PAC MEETING RESOURCES

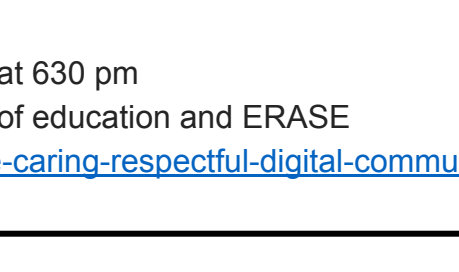
FINAL November PAC Presentation 2023
November Meeting Minutes 2023
SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR DIGITAL LEARNING GUEST CARI WILSON



DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET'S PLAY WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

At West Vancouver Rec Centre
 Drop ins welcome!
 Ages 5-12
 All equipment and wheelchairs are provided
 Registration is [here](#)



HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS GALORE!

- [Get Into the Holiday Spirit with Arts Umbrella Mixed Nuts](#)
- [Canyon Lights at Capilano Suspension Bridge](#)
- [Gateway Theatre Presents Cinderella](#)
- [Experience a "Traditional Christmas" with the VSO](#)
- [Santa in the Country at Glenda's Christmas Cottage](#)
- [Best Christmas Light Displays in Metro Vancouver](#)



WEST VANCOUVER REC CENTRE HAPPENINGS

Winter Break camp registrations are now open:
<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities/camps>

Browse your recreation activities and programs here:
<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:
<https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers>

SOCIAL MEDIA AWARENESS

Social Media Awareness Family Session on December 5th at 6:30 pm
 This free 60 minute session is being hosted by the Ministry of education and ERASE
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/family-session-establishing-safe-caring-respectful-digital-communities-tickets-765337273387?aff=oddtcreator>

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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwaxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.