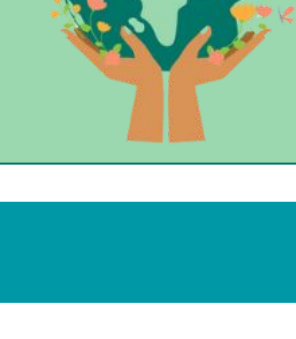


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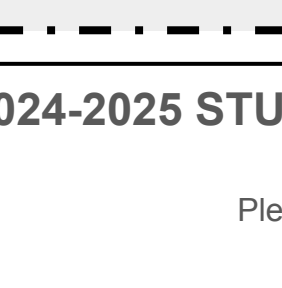
CELEBRATING EARTH DAY - MONDAY APRIL 22ND

At Cypress Park we will be taking small efforts to celebrate Earth Day. Beginning at 8:35am students and staff will start the day cleaning the school grounds from litter and debris. We will also be turning off any overheads lights to save energy. Students are encouraged to wear **BLUE** and **GREEN** earth day colour. For more information on Earth Day please [visit](#).



LOOKING AHEAD

April 19	Spirit Wear Day & Earthbites
April 22	Earth Day - Planet vs. Plastics
April 22	Lockdown Drill with the WVDP at 9:45
April 23	Kindergarten Immunization Clinic
April 25	Class / School Photo day
April 26	Spirit Wear Day
April 30	9:15 PAC meeting - CP gym
May 3	Spirit Wear Day
May 8	Early dismissal 12:05 - Student Led Conferences
May 9	Early dismissal 12:05 - Student Led Conferences
May 12	Mother's Day
May 17	Professional Development Day - school not in session
May 20	Victoria Day Stat Holiday - school not in session



STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

On Wednesday, May 8th and Thursday, May 9th we will be having our Student-led Conferences. There will be an **early dismissal on both day at 12:05pm** to accommodate the conferences.

Student-led conferences involve the student and their family. The students are responsible for leading the conference, and also take responsibility for their learning by sharing the process with their family. The conference involves the student discussing and reflecting upon samples of work that they have previously chosen to share with their family. The purpose of these conferences is to show the process of learning and growth. Please come prepared to engage in learning activities together!

Instructions for signing up for the conferences will be posted in *next week's* Thursday bulletin.

2024-2025 STUDENT SUPPLY ORDER SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

Please find attached our student school supply lists for next year

- [Kindergarten 2024-2025 supply list](#)
- [Grade 1 2024-2025 supply list](#)
- [Grade 2 2024-2025 supply list](#)
- [Grade 3 2024-2025 supply list](#)

We kindly ask that you place your supply order(s) before **June 14**, through [schoolcashionline](#). Supplies will be delivered to the school on August 30, 2024, and placed into your child's new classroom. Please note that all items listed are consumable products, and supplies will not be returned to parents at the end of the school year, unless the office receives an email from you in June 2025 requesting any leftover supplies.

While it is not mandatory to purchase the school supplies via schoolcashionline, please note that the supplies on the list must be provided for the first week of school in September. It is also helpful for all children to have the same supplies. If you choose to purchase school supplies separately, please keep in mind that an additional payment for the workbook and planner or organizer will be required.



REMINDERS

2024-25 IB FEE PAYMENT REQUEST

The annual fee of \$500.00 per student is due for the 2024-25 school year.

Please [click here](#) to access School Cash Online. The IB Fee Request Letter can be accessed [here](#).

ACCESS YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL REPORTS ON MYED HERE

These reports will only be available until until the end of June 2024. We advise you to download and save for future reference. Due to privacy laws we are no longer able to email school reports.

LATE AND EARLY PICK-UP

Parents please remember to contact Ms. Thoma in the office at ethoma@wvschools.ca if your child will be late in the morning or you are picking your child up early from school.

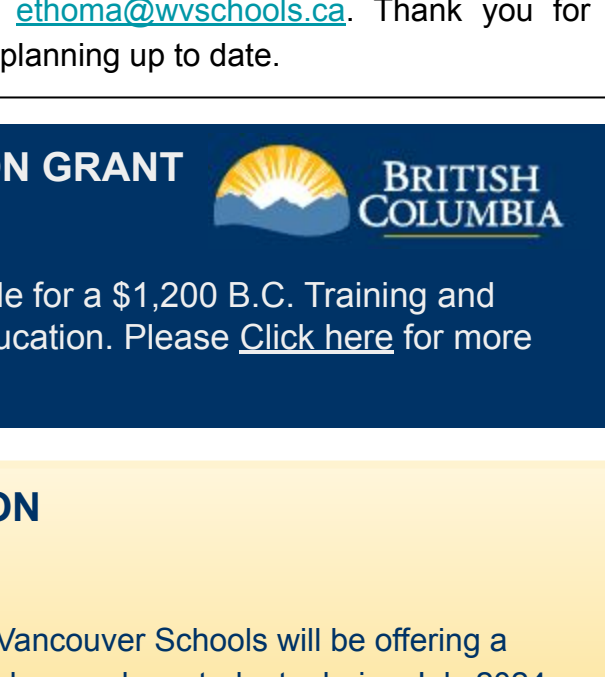
Please also inform the classroom teacher, as this helps minimize any classroom disruption. If your child is going home with another adult, you **MUST** email the classroom teacher and the office to let them know. This system is for your child's protection.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR WEST BAY PAC FUNDRAISER SPRING FAIR

24 MAY, 4-7 PM

West Bay Gravel Field

Please email if you are able to volunteer westbay.volunteer@gmail.com



NOT RETURNING NEXT YEAR?



We are working to prepare for September and the 2024-2025 school year. New registrations are being accepted which means making projections about our school size for next fall. If you know your child(ren) will not be returning to Cypress Park in September 2024, please notify Ms. Thoma as soon as possible via email at ethoma@wvschools.ca. Thank you for helping us keep our records and planning up to date.

DEPUTY MINISTER BULLETIN - EDUCATION GRANT **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

B.C Training and Education Savings Program Grant.

Students in Kindergarten to Grade four may be eligible for a \$1,200 B.C. Training and Education Savings Grant for their post-secondary education. Please [Click here](#) for more information.

SUMMER LEARNING 2024 COMMUNICATION

2024 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2024.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 8 at 8:00 AM. Elementary registration closes on May 10. Secondary registration closes on June 14.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#)) or on the [Summer Learning Website](#).

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

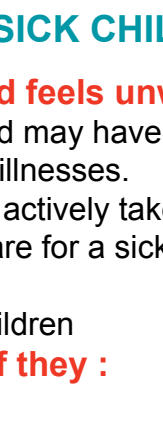
(NOTE : THERE IS A TWO WEEK WINDOW FOR ORDERING)

The system will continue to remain open throughout the session if you wish to order, make changes, or add to an existing order. Please be sure to pay for your order or it will be automatically deleted by the system after 24 hours.

[LOGIN HERE TO ORDER OR MAKE CHANGES](#)

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR OWN UTENSILS

Please ensure your child has their own reusable utensils for their lunch everyday.



K-3 STUDENT SNACK SCHEDULE

April 24

hummus and baby carrots

May 1

rice cake and applesauce

May 8

yogurt and dried edamame/cranberry mix

May 15

hummus and mini cucumbers

LEAVING EARLIER THAN 2:35 PM

Please email your child's teacher AND the office [first thing in the morning](#) of the early departure so that teaching staff are aware. Unscheduled student pick up should only occur in the case of emergency.

Students are responsible for getting themselves to the office for early departures. *Please help to reinforce this change of process with your child/ren.

SCHOOL OFFICE
ethoma@wvschools.ca
or call 604-981-1330

ARRIVING LATE SET THOSE ALARMS

The most crucial learning hours of a school day are often in the morning. Arriving late means students can miss out on this learning as well as efforts to set the stage for the day and sometimes disrupt the learning of others. If families are finding it difficult to arrive on time, please connect with your child's teacher so that we can support you and your child.



WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell :

- Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
- The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
- The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
- 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
- Are a suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. [pink eye](#), [strep throat](#), [chicken pox](#), [measles](#), or [hand foot and mouse disease](#).)
- 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](#)

[CYPRESS PARK PLAYGROUND RULES](#)

[CYPRESS PARK BELL TIMES](#)

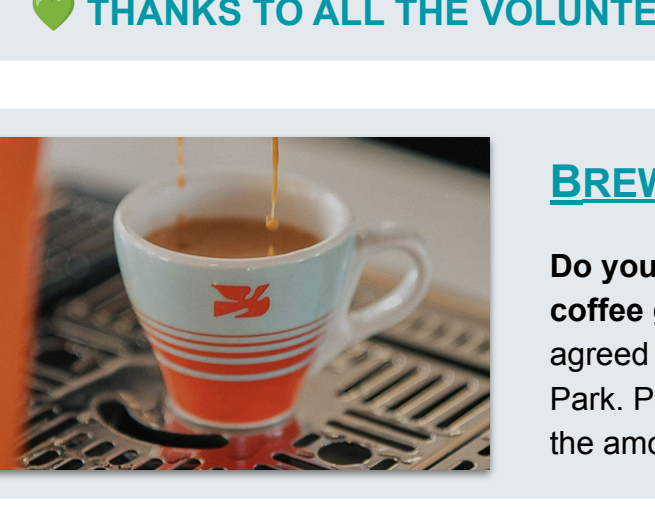
PAC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you hosting a birthday? Learning the importance of generosity is invaluable!

A great way to teach this is by opting for charitable donations over traditional gifts. Please consider sending out the link to [Funding Future](#) at your next birthday party & helping Cypress Park raise funds for exciting programs, additional resources & essential tools. **Added Bonus** - less toys around the house to tidy up! :) <https://bit.ly/CP-Futures>

THANKS to the following families for sponsoring these new items last week:

- Beaty Boxes (**NEW Cheng** & Hincks Families)
- Montessori Tools (**NEW Manhas** & Barrow Families)
- Science (Sichani Family)
- Jess Dance (Baldwin Family)
- Books (Manhas & Dosen Families)
- Kindergarten Tables (Wan & Antoni Families)



TEACHER'S APPRECIATION

Mon, April 29, 10:05-10:25AM & 12-1PM

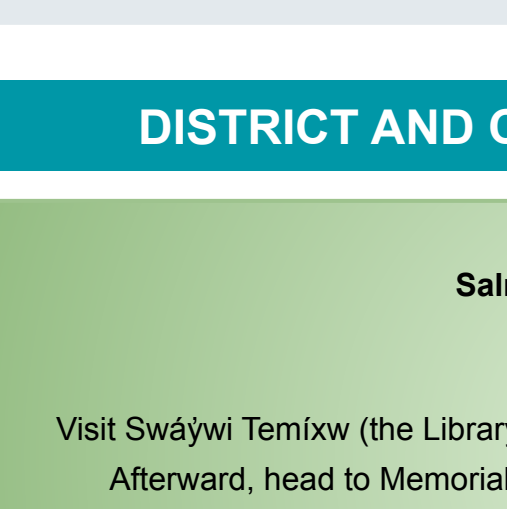
Still looking for volunteers! We need 4 more recess & classroom monitors & a few others to help out. Please [sign-up to volunteer](#) or let your class rep know if you'd like to help.

EARTHBITES – FRI, APRIL 19

We're kicking off Earthbites this week by getting the garden ready with compost, as well as planting weeds & radishes. The classes will be taking care of spring transplants with new seedling starter kits that will be used throughout our workshops. A great opportunity to watch the plants grow!



THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS!



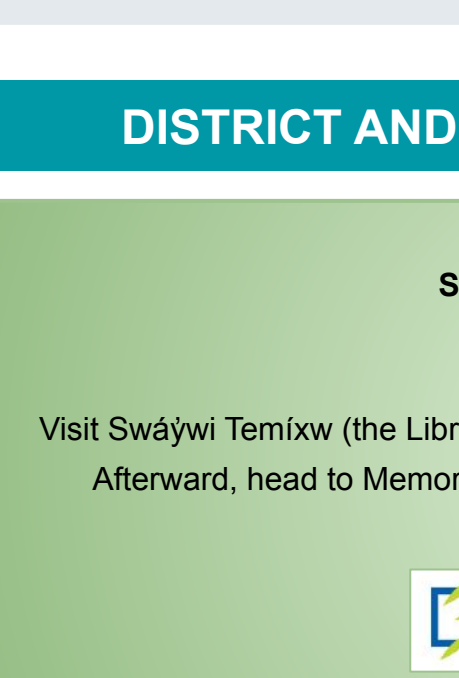
BREWING SUCCESS

Do you go it Isetta every day for a coffee? Isetta coffee gift cards are back! They have generously agreed to donate 15% of all gift card sales to Cypress Park. Please e-transfer to info.paccpp@gmail.com with the amount you'd like to purchase & "Isetta Gift Card."

NEXT PAC MEETING

Tues, April 30 @ 9:15 AM

- Join us & bring a friend!
- FINAL** February PAC Presentation 2024
- Meeting Link
 - Meeting ID: 266 182 511 488
 - Passcode: 65s42f



FUN RUN & YEAR-END BBQ

Save the Date – Fri, June 14 @ 2:00-5:30 PM

Save the date for our Fun Run & Year-End BBQ – a celebration packed with fun, food & community spirit! The day will feature a Parent's Social, family BBQ, fresh Farmer's Market, 8 Bouncy Games, Dunk Tank & more for the whole family to enjoy. Get ready to make lasting memories!

Looking for volunteers to start planning!

DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADOPT A FISH

Salmon Release and Storytime

Saturday, April 27,

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Visit Swáywi Temixw (the Library's rooftop garden) to collect your Adopt-a-Fish certificate.

Afterward, head to Memorial Park to release a juvenile Coho Salmon into the wild!

Learn more [here](#).



Families are advised to check immunization records

With measles outbreaks being reported internationally and spring break on the horizon, the provincial health officer, BC Centre for Disease Control and public health officials are reminding people in British Columbia to check their vaccination records before travelling to ensure they are protected.

VCH UP TO DATE MEASLES INFORMATION

[CLICK HERE FOR BOOKING FAMILY VACCINE CLINICS](#)

[FOR ADULTS - PHARMACIES OFFERING VACCINES](#)

WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

The WVBC is proud to be offering its 16th year of summer camps this July and August. This year the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVVS Teacher/Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum.

To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS
A world of opportunity

Parent Workshop Series #1
We are all in this together

Simple solutions for building durable kids.
Engaging and empowering parents & caregivers.

When: Saturday, May 4, 2024 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Where: West Vancouver Community Centre
Who: Parents & guardians of children (birth-6 years)

To register for this workshop please email asweeney@wvschools.ca

Limited childcare spots available at Cypress Corner for children 4-6 years. To register for childcare call 604-925-7270 and mention the workshop with code 166007.

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Parent Workshop Series #2
Exploring the world around us

Communication & Literacies

When: Wednesday, May 29th, 2024 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Where: West Vancouver Community Centre
Who: Parents & guardians of children (birth-6 years)

To register for this workshop email asweeney@wvschools.ca

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ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE / GLENEAGLES

Adult American Sign Language (NEW!), Beginner French, Indigenous Arts & Culture, Science, Chess,

Pro-D Day Camps (May 17) Visit here.

Important Dates:

Summer Camp Registrations Open on Wednesday, May 1st. Click here.

Other Summer program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 19th. Browse all your recreation activities and programs here

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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwáw7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.