



JANUARY 16, 2025

LOOKING AHEAD

January 17	Spirit Wear Day - Show Your School Spirit - wear your Cypress Park spirit wear tomorrow.
January 21	Lights Up continues every Tuesday until March 11 - after school program
January 23	Grade 3 online Intention Forms due
January 24	Spirit Wear Day - Show Your School Spirit - wear your Cypress Park spirit wear tomorrow.
January 27	Professional Development Day - school not in session
January 28	9:15AM PAC meeting - Gym
January 30	Lunar New Year celebration - families invited to join us at 2:30 in the gym
February 13	Valentine Day school activities
February 14	Reading Break - school not in session
February 17	Family Day Holiday - school not in session
February 21	Mother Language Day
February 26	Pink Shirt Day
March 9	Daylight Savings



IN PREPARATION OF
WINTER WEATHER

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR INFORMATION

REMEMBER CUTLERY



As we strive to create a supportive environment for all students, we kindly ask that you remember to send your child with their own reusable cutlery daily including Hot Lunch Days.



The Lunar New Year starts on January 29, 2025, and ushers in the Year of the Snake! More specifically, it's the year of the Wood Snake, which only happens every 60 years. People born in the Year of the Snake are known for being mysterious, intelligent, charming, and creative. They possess sharp wit and a keen eye for detail. However, they can also be secretive, cunning, and sometimes ruthless. Snakes are particularly recognized for their strong will and determination.

Thanks to our amazing PAC's - Lunar New Year Committee, students will have an opportunity to engage in a variety of New Year themed activities in the afternoon. From traditional crafts, storytelling, dance, food and more.

Parents are invited to join us on Thursday, January 30th at 2:30 in the gym.

SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMITS

There have been some concerns about the speed of car traffic in our neighborhood from our Cypress Park community and the WVPD. The WVPD will be coming by to help reinforce the school zone speed limit of 30 kph and the importance of stopping at crosswalks when pedestrians are crossing.

A rectangular sign with a black border and a white background. The text 'SLOW DOWN SCHOOL ZONE' is written in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters, centered on the sign.



FAMILY LITERACY DAY JANUARY 27th

Family Literacy Day a day where we raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

We would like to take a moment to emphasize the importance of regular school attendance and punctuality.

Consistent Attendance Matters: Every day in school is an opportunity for your child to learn, grow, and thrive. Regular attendance ensures they don't miss out on valuable classroom experiences and educational milestones. It's the foundation for success in their academic journey.

Vacations During School Time: While we understand that family vacations are a cherished tradition, we encourage you to plan them during school breaks whenever possible. Missing school for extended periods can disrupt your child's learning progress and make it challenging for them to catch up on missed lessons.

On-Time Arrival: Being on time is equally crucial. It sets a positive tone for the day and allows your child to settle in, engage with peers, and benefit fully from classroom instruction. Punctuality fosters good habits that will serve them well throughout life.

Late Arrival Policy: If your child is arriving late to school, please drop them off outside the undercover entrance door. The door is unlocked, there is no reason to ring the bell. Your child can enter the school on their own and report to the front office. Ms. Thoma will check them in, and help them to their classrooms.



THIS WEEK IN GRADE ONE
 We had a great week back connecting again. We launched a new inquiry into exploring and understanding our special places. We worked on the "friends of ten" through a few math games, we continued our word work stations and created winter sunrise landscapes. A busy week of learning and reconnecting.



NUMERACY

Grade two played a math game called "Bump Up". We used dice shakers to make 2 digit numbers and then bumped the number up 1 and down 1 to make 2 different numbers. In playing the game we practiced our place value (understanding of 10s and 1s). In working with a partner we were COMMUNICATORS as we had to share our thinking, decide how to take turns, and cooperate with each other.

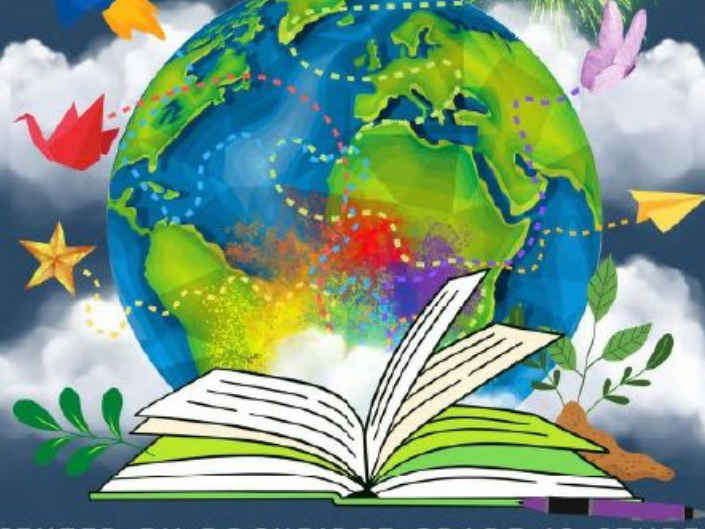
HOW THE WORLD WORKS

Grade three is enjoying their first week back, as they tune into new discussions and explorations of how the world works!



PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR

Personal Project Exhibition



PRESENTED BY ROCKRIDGE GRADE 10 STUDENTS
IN COMPLETION OF THEIR MYP CERTIFICATE

COME EXPLORE THEIR LEARNING JOURNEYS,
DISCOVERIES AND WHAT WAS CREATED IN THE PROCESS!

FEB. 6, 2025 - 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Rockridge Secondary - 5350 Headland Dr., West Vancouver

WHEN SHOULD I KEEP
MY SICK CHILD HOME
FROM SCHOOL?



Click [HERE](#)
to find out when.

2024-2025 YEAR TO DATE
CALENDAR
[HERE](#)

2024-2025 BELL SCHEDULE
[HERE](#)

PLAYGROUND RULES
[HERE](#)

CYPRESS PARK CODE OF
CONDUCT
[HERE](#)

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Community information will now be accessible in one convenient location. All local programs, events, and resources will be updated and shared with you each week by clicking [HERE](#)

DROPPING OFF ITEMS,
INCLUDING LUNCHES,
PLEASE MAKE SURE TO LABEL
THEM AND DROP OFF AT THE
OFFICE.

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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, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.



REMINDERS & QUICK LINKS...

- ✓ **ORDER CUTLERY & ACTIVITY BAGS:** Cypress Park Spirit Cutlery & Activity Bags are available for [purchase](#). Perfect for Hot Lunches & keeping after school activity supplies organized.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Thursday, Jan 30, 1-3:30PM @ the Gym

We need 12 more volunteers so please [SIGN-UP TO HELP](#). We are also looking for a polaroid camera.

Parents are invited to join our students after school for our celebration which includes, special performances by our Grandmas & students, homemade dumplings, games, calligraphy, photo booth, food, stories, music & more.



WVFC SOCCER WORKSHOP - EXPERTS IN RESIDENCE

Cypress Park has the exciting opportunity to bring in top coaches from the West Vancouver Football Club (WVFC) in March as part of our Experts in Residence Program. [SPONSOR TODAY](#) & we'll book it - **otherwise, it's not in the budget for this year**. This specialized workshop offers professional instructors, tailored training & skills development for students in all classes.

COST: \$50 per Class or \$200 for the Whole School

— SPONSOR WVFC SOCCER —

♥ KINDNESS CORNER ♥

A big **THANKS** to **Brittanie Campbell** for coordinating all of our After School Programs this year! [Lights Up](#) has had great registration & the students were excited to get started this week.





BEATY BOX SPONSORSHIP FUNDING FUTURES

This month Cypress Park PAC is pleased to be able to fund the UBC Beaty Boxes!

These award-winning kits contain touchable specimens, hands-on activities that explore biodiversity & information about UBC research scientists. This week, we're bringing in the **Forest Exploration Box** that focuses on our Pacific Coastal Temperate Rainforest & ecological connections.

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NOWRUZ CELEBRATION

As of now, we don't have a coordinator for our Nowruz celebration, which means we're unsure whether we'll be able to hold an event this year.

If you're interested in leading the celebration, we'd love to hear from you! If taking on the lead & coordination feels like too much, we would also welcome any parents who might be willing to come in & share the spirit of Nowruz with their class. Whether it's reading stories, explaining the significance of the holiday, or helping set up a traditional Sabzeh, your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

Please let us know if you're interested in getting involved. Thanks for your support & understanding!



PAC MEETING Tues, Jan 28 @ 9:15-10:15 AM

Let's all grab a coffee beforehand at Isetta after drop-off, then get together in the Cypress Park Gym to discuss Lunar New Year, Nowruz, Summer BBQ, Physical Literacy scores & more!

ONLINE INFO: [Meeting Link](#), ID: 269 143 965 41, Code: 9eo68BY7