



CYPRESS PARK PRIMARY THURSDAY NEWS eBULLETIN

12 FEBRUARY 2026

REMINDER - LONG WEEKEND AHEAD

This is a friendly reminder that **tomorrow, Friday, February 13, is Reading Day Break** and **Monday, February 16, is Family Day**, schools not be in session. We look forward to welcoming students back to school on **Tuesday, February 17.**



Family Day is a time to celebrate the bonds that tie us together and to recognize the importance of family in our lives. We hope you enjoy this four-day weekend and have the opportunity to spend meaningful time with loved ones through activities, gatherings, and shared moments of joy and connection.

LOOKING AHEAD

FEB	Black History Month
FEB 13	Reading Day Break - School not in Session
FEB 14	Valentine's Day 
FEB 16	Family Day Stat - School not in Session
FEB 17	 Happy Lunar New Year
FEB 18	 Ramadan Kareem
FEB 19	GR3 fieldtrip to NV Museum schoolcashionline
FEB 20	Mother Language Day
FEB 24	Fencing Sessions 5PM PAC Meeting
FEB 25	Pink Shirt Day https://www.pinkshirtday.ca/
MAR 8	Daylight Savings - clocks spring forward 1 hour

HOT LUNCH ORDERING

Ongoing Ordering [Here](#)

- Monday - Well Fed
- Tuesday - Booster Juice / Wraps
- Wednesday - Panago Pizza
- Friday - Aburi Sushi



2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

If your child/ren are not returning to Cypress Park in September please let the school office know as soon as possible - email ethoma@wvschools.ca

We have many families waiting to hear about placement for the 26-27 school year.



Ramadan is a special month observed by many families around the world. It is a time of reflection, kindness, prayer, and community. During Ramadan, many people fast from sunrise to sunset and focus on gratitude, generosity, and caring for others. We wish all families observing Ramadan a peaceful and meaningful month.

We wish a happy Lunar New Year to all families celebrating! This year marks the Year of the Horse, a symbol of energy, confidence, kindness, and perseverance. Lunar New Year is a time for renewal, gratitude, and coming together with family and community. May the year ahead bring good health, happiness, and new opportunities to all.



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 Vice Principal McLeod or to 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.

IMPORTANT LINKS

[CYPRESS PARK CODE OF CONDUCT](#)
[25-26 YEAR AT A GLANCE CALENDAR](#)
[CYPRESS PARK BELL TIMES](#)
[EXPECTED AND UNEXPECTED PLAYGROUND RULES](#)
[SCHOOL CASH ONLINE](#)
[MYEDUCATION BC](#)
[CP WEBSITE](#)

GRADE 3 UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

North Vancouver Museum
February 19th
Permission slip [HERE](#)

Indigenous Cultural Program at Cheakamus Centre
May 1st.
Permission Slip [HERE](#)

Payment for both is made on **SCHOOL CASH** [HERE](#)

Today we celebrated kindness, friendship, and the strong sense of community that makes our school so special. We are incredibly grateful for the love, support, and partnership you show every day. Your involvement, encouragement, and care help our students thrive and make our school a place filled with warmth and joy.

We also want to extend a heartfelt thank you for the thoughtful and delicious teacher treats today! The sweet surprises brightened our day and reminded us how lucky we are to work alongside such amazing families.

Wishing you and your family a happy Valentine's Day! ❤️



Happy
Valentine's
Day



Be Mine

100TH DAY CELEBRATION

Grade Three recently celebrated the 100th Day of School—marking 100 days of learning, inquiry, and growth. Throughout the year, our students have demonstrated what it means to be inquirers, thinkers, and reflective learners, while also showing caring, kindness, and respect as they continue their IB journey. As part of the celebration, students engaged in a special writing craft connected to the 100th Day. They were invited to dress either as someone who was born 100 years ago or as how they imagine themselves 100 years in the future, sparking creativity and thoughtful reflection about the past and the future.



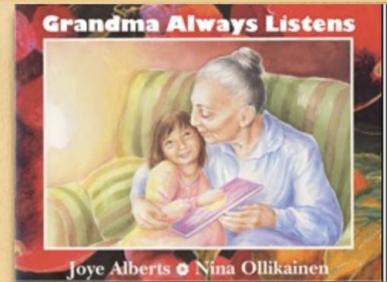
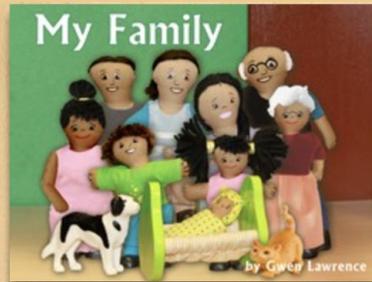
LES PETIT CHEF

This week, our French classes had a special treat: a visit from Chef Kevin from Les Petit Chef! Students rolled up their sleeves to help make crêpes, learned about French food culture, and followed the process from batter to bite. A tasty and unforgettable way to bring French learning to life! Thank you to the PAC for funding this tasty experience!



WORLD MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

International Mother Language Day is observed every year on February 20. At Cypress Park, we recognize that Languages and multilingualism can advance inclusion. Ms. Cassady, our English Language Learner teacher has shared a wonderful resource with our teachers and it is something families can utilise at home. <https://www.uniteforliteracy.com> is a website that has a library of digital books that can be read in multiple languages. We encourage you to explore this resource and participate in Mother Language Day by reading a book with your child in a different language. You can choose a different language and listen to the book in English and your chosen language.



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.

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

We have quite a few items collecting in our lost and found blue box. Please encourage your child/ren to come and look and reclaim their lost items. Items that are not claimed will be packed up on the morning of 27 February and dropped off at the Salvation Army. Our blue box is located just inside the foyer entrance door.



THE PINK SHIRT DAY STORY

In 2007, Berwick, Nova Scotia, after a new student at their school was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two grade 12 students bought 75 pink shirts and encouraged their classmates to wear pink. The next day they went to distribute the shirts and to their surprise the majority of students arrived wearing pink! With that act of kindness, Pink Shirt Day was born. In 2008, British Columbia proclaimed every last Wednesday of February to be the provincial anti-bullying day, and the movement has continued to grow.

Our district and school goal is centered around building a sense of belonging amongst our community. We are connecting our learning about inclusion, friendship, kindness and how to be a “principled” Cypress Park student. As primary school teachers, we recognize that our children are still developing the skills to navigate complex social situations. Cypress Park will celebrate Pink Shirt Day on **February 25th** with an assembly led by the Gr 3’s for all classes!





**CYPRESS PARK
PRIMARY PAC**



PAC NEWS, EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS



**NEW SPONSORSHIPS THIS WEEK
NEW FUNDING FUTURES**

—SPONSOR TODAY—

LET'S BRING LIFE, LIGHT & COMFORT TO OUR ENTRANCE

Our colorful & vibrant rug has transformed Cypress Park's entrance — let's keep it going!

With your sponsorship, we can add **warm lamps, benches, stools, potted plants & string lights** to make our common spaces inviting, functional & full of life. Together, we can create a welcoming environment where students, families & staff can gather, learn, play & relax — bringing comfort, connection & brightness to the heart of our school.

SMALL POTTED PLANTS

Bring Greens to Our Spaces – Add a touch of nature and warmth to Cypress Park's common...

CAD\$20.00



LARGE POTTED PLANTS

Bring Life to Our Common Space – Help make Cypress Park's shared areas more inviting and...

CAD\$40.00



ENTRANCE STOOLS

Flexible Seating for Our Common Spaces – Help make Cypress Park's shared areas more...

CAD\$40.00



ENTRANCE BENCH

Make Our Common Space More Comfortable – This modern cozy bench is a versatile, natural...

CAD\$65.00



STAR FAIRY STRING LIGHTS

Magical Glow for Our Space – Help us create a warm, inviting atmosphere in our common area...

CAD\$25.00



GLOBE FAIRY STRING LIGHTS

Warm, Welcoming Glow – Help brighten and beautify Cypress Park's common areas with...

CAD\$30.00



TABLE LAMP

Warm Welcome Lighting - This Table Lamp is a stylish glass table lamp that casts a warm, cozy...

CAD\$15.00



ENTRANCE LAMP

Brighten Our Common Space - Help make Cypress Park's common areas more inviting and...

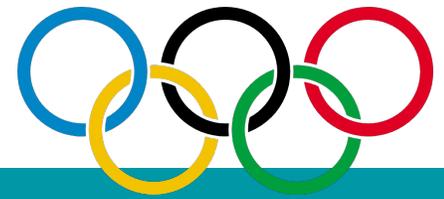
CAD\$50.00



**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Lights Up Musical Theatre**

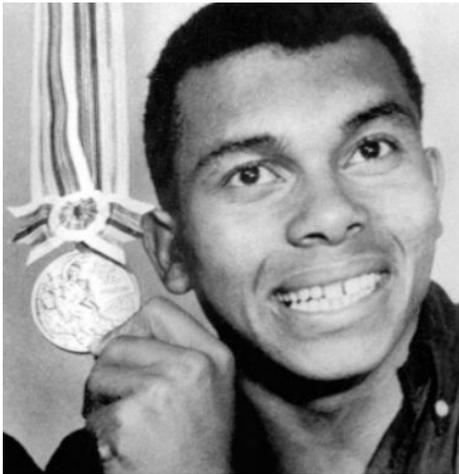
—REGISTER TODAY—

In Lights Up Musical Theatre, students will sing, dance & act in this fun after school program, performing **Mary Poppins** in a final show for family & friends. Wednesdays, Apr 15–June 10, 2:30–4:45 pm, \$365+GST ✨



FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH — OLYMPICS WEEK! Celebrate Black Canadian Olympic athletes who have made history and inspired others! Learn about their achievements, determination, and contributions, and spark your child's curiosity.

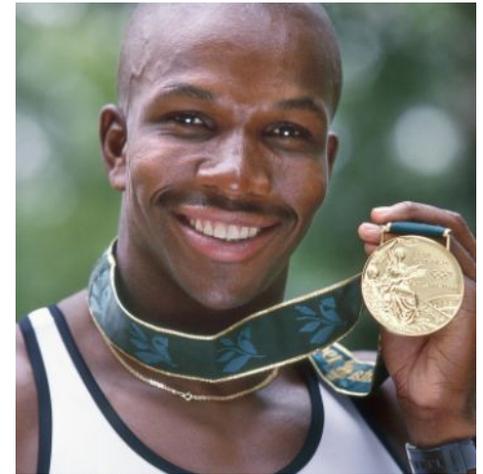
ASK YOUR KIDS — INQUIRY OF THE WEEK: What challenges do you think these athletes faced & how did they stay motivated to reach the Olympics?



HARRY JEROME was a Canadian track star who won world titles & an Olympic bronze, setting records and inspiring generations of athletes. **Have you visited the Harry Jerome Oval?**



SARAH NURSE is a trailblazing Canadian ice hockey player who became the first Black woman to win Olympic gold with Team Canada's women's hockey team, inspiring young athletes across the country.

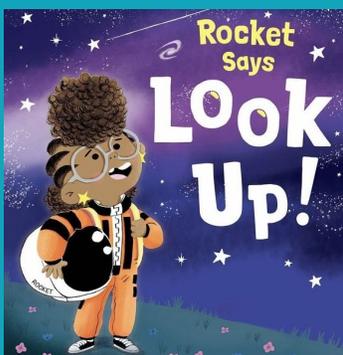


DONOVAN BAILEY was a Canadian sprinter who won Olympic gold in the 100 m at the 1996 Atlanta Games, becoming one of Canada's most celebrated track athletes.

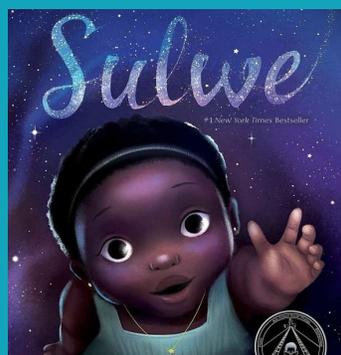


Student Learning BOOK CLUB

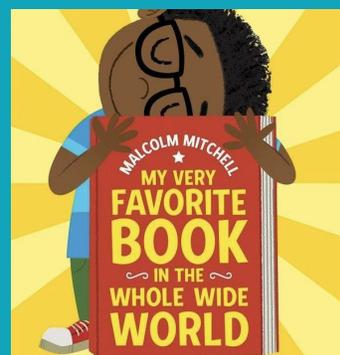
Children's Books to Celebrate Black Culture



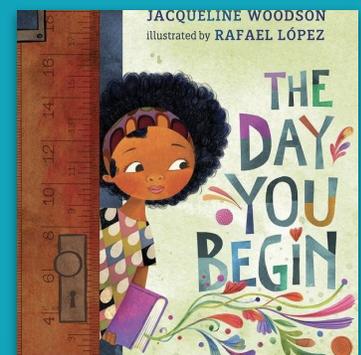
ROCKET SAYS LOOK UP! by Nathan Bryon



SULWE by Lupita Nyong'o



MY FAVORITE BOOK IN THE WHOLE WIDE WORLD by Malcolm Mitchell



THE DAY YOU BEGIN by Jacqueline Woodson



FAMILY DAY WEEKEND



FEB 13 TO 16

AT GROUSE MOUNTAIN



FREE MOUNTAIN ADMISSION & LIFT TICKETS FOR KIDS!

Kids Visit or Ski FREE: February 13-16

On Family Day Weekend from February 13th - 16th, **kids 12 and under** receive FREE Mountain Admission and Lift Tickets! Join us for a weekend full of fun family activities, fireworks, and more.

Family Day Weekend: Feb 13-16

- 👦 Kids 12 & under: FREE Mountain Admission & Lift Tickets
- 👨‍👩‍👧 Family Activities (Sat-Mon): Owl Talks, Crafts & Scavenger Hunt

Special Events

- 👞 Family Snowshoe Tours: Sat-Mon, 1pm (advance booking required)
- 🎆 Fireworks: Saturday & Sunday, 6pm
- 🎧 DJ Skate Party: Sunday, 2-7pm
- 🥞 Pancake Breakfast: Monday, 9-11am (by donation)

SPRING ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM FOR NEURODIVERSE PLAYERS

10 Week Program on Thursdays from 3:45-4:45 PM

April 9th is the first session!
For ages 5 to 16

Location: Ambleside Field D

[Register Here](#)

Free Jersey Included with Registration fee

Our Adaptive Soccer Program is designed especially for neurodiverse players who are eager to explore the game of soccer in a fun, welcoming, and supportive environment. Whether a player is brand new to organized soccer or has some experience, everyone is encouraged to join, learn, and grow. The program is open to players aged 5 to 16.



School Year 2026 - 2027 (August 2026 - June 2027)

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Stat Holiday
 Winter & Spring Breaks
 Professional Day

First and last day of classes
 Reading Break / NID

WV MEMORIAL LIBRARY FEBRUARY EVENTS

**School's Out! Movie Matinee:
The Incredibles**
Friday, February 13, 1 - 3 p.m.



As Mr. Incredible and Elastigirl, Bob and his wife Helen were among the world's greatest crime fighters. Itching to get back into action, they get their chance to return when a mysterious communication summons Bob to a remote island.
Register [HERE](#)



Get into the Olympic spirit this February at West Vancouver Memorial Library. Explore the stories, sports, and moments that define the Winter Olympics with curated reading lists and special watch parties to celebrate and support Team Canada.

DISTRICT and COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) rather than detailed in school newsletters.

Olympic Watch Parties - Come and Cheer On Canada!



**Women's Hockey Gold Medal Game Watch Party:
Thursday, February 19 | 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Welsh Hall**

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY ACCESS PROGRAMS INFORMATION SESSION — March 5

Capilano University is hosting a [virtual information session](#) on Thursday, March 5 at 4 p.m. for students and their families to learn more two Access programs designed to support students with learning differences: [Discover Employability](#) and [Education and Employment Access](#). Both programs are full-time at the Capilano University North Vancouver main campus and start in September 2026.

While this information session is primarily designed for secondary age students and their families, Grade 6-7 families who are interested are also welcome to attend to learn more about future pathways, growth opportunities, and transition-to-adult life planning.

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