



#### **E-Bulletin**

#### EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI February 24th, 2022



It has been a short, but very busy week here at Eagle Harbour! On **Twosday** we celebrated the once-in-a-lifetime occurrence of a palindrome date 22-02-2022 - The date is so rare the National Weather Service says a "Twosday" won't happen again for another 400 years, **in 2422**.

As if <u>scouring the school for 222 hidden twos</u> wasn't enough excitement, all the staff wore twotwos and we had a 'two' themed playlist playing in the hallways (think 'Ruby Tuesday' ++). A shout out to Ms. Sutcliffe, who orchestrated all the crazy twoness!

Wednesday we were all looking through rose-coloured lenses at a sea of pink in support for the national anti-bullying Pink Shirt Day campaign. The afternoon was a big flash mob dance party outside ... Just how much fun can we have in one week? The answer is A LOT!



@EHNews two cheers for Twosday EHMS celebrated this once in a lifetime day with a pop up tworiffic scavenger hunt for 222s for our tworiffic students, complete with a Twosday dance party playlist. @tkolkea #westvanschools #22222Day



February	28	Covid Test Kits to be sent home with all students
March	11	Last day before Spring Break <b>REGULAR DISMISSAL TIMES</b>
	14 - 25	SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL
	28	First day back from Spring Break
April	14	EMERGENCY RELEASE DRILL - Staggered early dismissal beginning at 1:00. More details to come.
	15 - 18	Easter Break NO SCHOOL
	27	Class Photos

#### EHMS 2021-22 ANNUAL SCHOOL CALENDAR



#### **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND SCHOOL**

**<u>CLICK HERE</u>** for the most recent updates relating to international travel and school.

#### LATE ARRIVALS AND ABSENCES

Schedules and routines are extremely important to a child's development and academic achievement as key concepts and lessons begin at the start of our school day. When students are late they:

- miss the chance to meet with their teachers and peers at the door to start the day
- miss the routines and structures that each teacher strategically plans to promote self-regulation to help students get settled in a calm manner
- add a great deal of work to our office staff as we need to ensure each student is accounted for, signed in, hand sanitized and delivered to class.

We realize each family juggles many schedules and expectations and we are grateful that your planning includes ensuring that each of our students is supported with the ability to start the day right. In the event of an absence please be sure to call 604.981.1380 or email the office at

# EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI STRONG START NEW START TIMES



West Vancouver School District is pleased to welcome children ages 0 – 5 years and their families/caregivers to our Eagle Harbour StrongStart Centre from 9:15am – 12:15pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

This FREE early learning program offers play-based early

learning programs facilitated by certified Early Childhood Educators.

Children attending with their families will enjoy story time, music and singing, play-based activities, art and puzzles, and a healthy snack. Parents and caregivers will learn about effective early learning and child guidance practices, and meet and make connections with other families.

HOURS: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:15am – 12:15pm LOCATION: 5575 Marine drive – the Portable building at the back of the school

phone: (604) 783-6604 email: <u>ehss@wvschools.ca</u> Facilitator: Mariana Stiasny

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

This section of the E-Bulletin is included in each publication for your convenience.

## **COVID 19 RAPID TEST KITS**



The Ministry of Education has provided Covid 19 test kits for all Eagle Harbour students. You will find a box containing five tests in your child's backpack on Monday February 28th. Eagle Harbour staff will ensure that every child safely puts their box in their backpack. If your child is

absent Monday, a labelled box will be left for them with their teacher to pick up upon their return.

**Performing a Daily Health Check:** Families should continue to perform the <u>Daily Health Check</u> daily health check with your child(ren) prior to drop off each morning. If your child is not feeling well, please do not send them to school. VCH recommends that you can also use the <u>K-12</u> health-checker app.

**If you have Questions about Health Matters:** In all cases, West Vancouver Schools look to the health authorities for their guidance. With this in mind, we ask all our families with questions on testing and isolation to visit the BCCDC website <u>HERE</u>

**Q & A Recording:** Please follow the link <u>HERE</u> to the video to Q&A session with Dr. Mark Lysyshyn, Deputy Chief Medical Health Officer with Vancouver Coastal Health.

#### WINTER WEATHER - WHAT TO DO

As the winter weather continues, we are asking families to be prepared to make alternate arrangements in the event the forecast is such that a school closure is warranted for safety reasons. Updates are posted on our school district website and social media by 6:00 am. https://westvancouverschools.ca/news/weather-closures-and-procedures

#### EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI (EHMS) PAC NEWS



## EHMS PAC IS PLEASED TO OFFER HOT LUNCH ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

Parents can still order for the remainder of winter term and **we are now accepting credit card payments!** 

Important Things to Note:

- If your student has food allergies, please be aware that we cannot control ingredients used by our various vendors. Each menu has a vegetarian option and most have a gluten free option as well.
- Pizza is offered by Fresh Bay Pizza in Horseshoe Bay
- Tuesday menus alternate between A Moveable Feast and Sushi Katsu
- Click <u>HOT LUNCH FAQS</u> for frequently asked questions or to contact our hot lunch coordinator.

#### How to Order

- 1. Visit Munch a Lunch website
- 2. Create your family account by clicking on "New Users click here" and follow the prompts. If you already have an account from last year, your login and password remain the same.
- 3. Review the choices with your child and double check your quantities at the end of the ordering process. Scroll down all the way to the bottom to verify your order then press "Submit My Order". Remember, there are no refunds or changes after the deadline.
- 4. You can now pay for your orders by credit card.
- 5. After creating your account, you can return to your account anytime by clicking on "Returning Users click here".

Please note that if you already have a login from a previous school, it will not work at Eagle Harbour. Therefore, you must contact Munchalunch directly to have that changed.

## PAC MEETING AGENDAS AND MINUTES

# PAC MEETING AGENDAS AND MINUTES - PAST AND FUTURE

Please click on the link below to read the Minutes from our PAC Meetings. **The next PAC meeting will be held on Microsoft Teams Tuesday February 8th**, **2021** @ **9:00 AM**. The link to join our meetings can be found <u>HERE</u>. The agenda will be posted to the **WhatsApp groups** as listed below.



February PAC Meeting MinutesJanuary PAC Meeting MinutesNovember PAC Meeting MinutesOctober Meeting MinutesSeptember Meeting Minutes

Permanent Link to all virtual PAC meetings Teams Meeting link

# **CONNECT WITH THE EAGLE HARBOUR PAC**

1. **PAC Facebook group** - active Facebook group to build community by sharing information and promoting connectedness. The place to post questions, get recommendations, or share information with the entire EH school community. Join Group

2. WhatsApp class group - every class has a permanent WhatsApp group (same group every year). Parents can update each other, ask questions, set playdates, and whatever else relevant to that class. A parent can choose to join or not and leave the group whenever it's not needed anymore (kid graduated class for example). To join, click the below link from your mobile device:

> Class Parent - Katy Brier <u>Ms.Stephen</u> Class Parent - Shira Nitsan <u>Ms. Hardern</u> Class Parent - Tricia Foley <u>Ms. Tobin & Ms. Cameron</u> Class Parent - Tricia Foley <u>Mr. Price and Ms. Sutcliffe</u>

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## WEST VANCOUVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Read through our **<u>Spring Newsletter</u>** for exciting news from West Vancouver Memorial Library, including:

- New opening hours
- New Collection: Launchpads
- Spring Break Programs

Registration for our Spring Break programs opens on February 15.



THE WEST VAN RUN IS BACK!

As has become tradition, the school district is inviting students (and their parents) to participate in the West Van Run happening March 5 and 6, 2022. Students and parents have the option to join in the event at a

discounted rate (\$29.95) by registering here: <u>West Van Run</u> 1KM events (for Kids 13 & Under): FREE



#### WEST VAN SCHOOLS RUGBY ACADEMY



Have you ever thought about playing Rugby?! The **West** Vancouver Schools Rugby Academy is fortunate to have Curry Hitchborn, the UBC Mens' Rugby Team Head Coach, as our lead instructor in this exciting program. All genders and skill levels are encouraged to participate as students learn both individual skills and tactical game play in a fun, collaborative, and safe environment (there is no tackling in the Academy program). The Rugby Academy is for **students in grades 8 through 12** and takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 3pm at Ambleside E turf. One way bus transportation is provided from all three West Vancouver Secondary schools and during the winter months, the Rugby Academy students also partake in some indoor cross training activities. For further information on the Academy, please follow the link: <u>https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/rugby</u>



#### HONOUR CHOIR PROGRAM WVS GRADES 6-12

Does your child love to sing and to perform music with others at the highest level possible? If so, the WV Schools' Honour Choir Program is an exciting opportunity for you. Honour Choir is a district-wide program that extends the music learning of our students through choral music. The Honour Choirs are open to students who will be in **Grade 6/7 (Junior Honour Choir) and Grades 8-12 (Treble and Mixed** 

**Honour Choir)**. For more information about the program or to register for an audition to be part of these special courses, please click on the relevant link below:

Link for students going into Grades 6/7 in the 2022/2023 school year: Junior District Honour Choir

Link for students going into Grades 8-12 in the 2022/2023 school year: District Honour Choir

Please contact Program Director, Suzanne Fulton (sfulton@wvschools.ca), if you have any further questions.



#### WEST VANCOUVER FIELD HOCKEY

Spring League and Spring Break registration information - All kids ages K - 12

**CLICK HERE** 

# WEST VANCOUVER LITTLE LEAGUE

WVLL Spring 2022 Registration is open! Baseball Programs for boys/girls ages

5-16 https://wvll.ca/registration/#regular-season



#### CHRIS KENNEDY, WV SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

Get insight into the thoughts and ideas of Chris Kennedy, Superintendent of the West Vancouver School District. Read his latest blogs and follow him on Twitter to learn more from the CEO of WV Schools in: <u>https://cultureofyes.ca/</u> or <u>https://twitter.com/chrkennedy</u>

**CONTACT EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI** 

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We would also love to have you connect with us and follow our **Eagle Harbour School Twitter** account!