



## E-Bulletin

## **EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI**

April 6, 2023

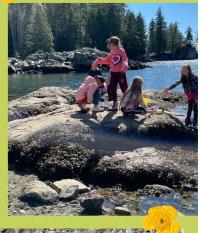




"Our pictures are our footprints.

It's the best way to tell people we were here."

- Joe McNally



Outdoor learning is alive and well at our little school in the woods. Some sounds bytes from our day:

"Do you know how to tell if it's a boy crab or a girl crab?" "You need to look for the lighthouse on the bottom of them"

"Hey, I found an exoskeleton."

"WOW!!!! so many crabs under this rock! "

" No sea stars today."

"Look, Mr. Price's class is here. What are they doing?"

"Walking history - a tradition in Mr. Price's class where the children learn first hand about the history of British Columbia by walking the local land"

"Oh ... so cool!"

**Remember** there is no school on **Friday April 7** or **Monday April 10**. We wish all of you a wonderful long weekend.



## **DATES AT A GLANCE**

**NEW**	Mondays	Ball Lab <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information and to register
After School	Tuesdays	Chess Club CLICK HERE for more information and to register
Programs March - June	Wednesdays	Artmania CLICK HERE for more information and to register
APRIL	7	Good Friday - School not in Session
	10	Easter Monday - School not in Session
	11	Last Day to Access your child's CSL Document on the Parent Portal PAC Meeting - 8:45 am please find the agenda <u>HERE</u>
	19	Silent Auction - Get your babysitters booked
	28	Treat Day
2022-23 EHMS SCHOOL CALENDAR		

## SILENT AUCTION PAC FUNDRAISER



We are 2 weeks away from our annual Silent Auction - we are looking for help from our families collecting donations for this much anticipated community event. Here's what we need from you:

- 1. Print 5-10 copies of the letter in the link attached: <u>DONATION LETTER\_OR PICK THEM UP</u> FROM THE OFFICE
- 2. Share them with friends and family that may be able to donate products or services for us to auction off
- 3. Share them with service providers you frequent hairdressers, grocery stores, stores or anyone else you may think can donate something to the auction
- 4. Send Randeep (rstjacques83@qmail.com) the donation details or drop off at the office.
- 5. Reach out to Randeep if you have any questions we are hoping that each family can find us 2-3 donations!

## **PARKING REMINDER**

Please do not park in the school round-about or in front of the gym doors. This is a safety issue for our children and our drivers. The space by the gym doors is reserved for emergency vehicles only. The roundabout is for drop off and pick only. If you need to get out of your car, to help your child with their backpack or walk them inside the school we kindly ask you to park along Marine Drive OR by Parc Verdun on Gallagher Place.



### **NOT RETURNING NEXT YEAR?**

We are working in the office to prepare for September and the 2023-2024 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 Eagle Harbour Montessori in September 2023, please notify Mrs. Undseth as soon as possible via email at <a href="mailto:aundseth@wvschools.ca">aundseth@wvschools.ca</a>. Thank you for helping us keep our records and planning up to date.

## 2023 SUMMER LEARNING WITH WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS REGISTRATION OPENED MONDAY, APRIL 3 AT 8:00AM



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 2023.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opened on Monday, April 3 at 8:00 AM.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (<u>elementary</u> or <u>secondary</u>) or on the <u>Summer Learning Website</u>.

## 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



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 <a href="mailto:aundseth@wvschools.ca">aundseth@wvschools.ca</a> or <a href="mailto:jmackenzie@wvschools.ca">jmackenzie@wvschools.ca</a>.

## **CSL (COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING) DOCUMENTS**

Student CSL documents (Report cards) were published on the MyEd Parent Portal on Friday March 10th. The last day to access these documents is **Tuesday April 11, 2023**.

If you have not already done so, please login <a href="https://westvancouverschools.ca/family-portal">https://westvancouverschools.ca/family-portal</a> and familiarize yourself with the parent portal. Most of you will have done this last December, but those of you who have not had a chance should have received a reminder email from me earlier this week with instructions on how to do this. These instructions are listed below for your convenience.

- Click <a href="https://westvancouverschools.ca/family-portal">https://westvancouverschools.ca/family-portal</a> to log into MyEd BC with your Family Portal account login information this week.
- To initialize your account you will need to replace the temporary password provided. This must be done on a COMPUTER (PC or laptop) and will not work on a smartphone or tablet.
- If you do not have your login information or need assistance, please email Mrs Undseth at aundseth@wvschools.ca

### **READING LINK CHALLENGE 2023**



Students in Upper Elementary have been busy reading these six books to prepare for the School Level Competition for the reading link challenge hosted by our very Mrs. Smith and the West Vancouver Public Library. Upper Elemenatrians will be finalizing their teams and studying hard in the coming weeks!

The Reading Link Challenge will take place on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:45 am – 12:10 pm. The in-person competition will be run by Lise, the Youth Librarian from the West Van Memorial

Library, and will be held in the Caulfeild Learning Commons this year for our Eagle Harbour Teams. More information to follow. The winners in both schools will advance to the District Level Challenge which will be held on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00 – 2:30 pm at the W.

## EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI (EHMS) PAC NEWS

### FEBRUARY PAC MEETING MINUTES AND NEXT PAC MEETING

February Meeting Minutes available <u>here</u>. Our next meeting is **April 11th 8:45 AM**; please find the agenda <u>here</u>. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend!



On Monday, April 24th, we will be hosting an in-person event focusing on building mental health resilience in children at the Kay Meek. Our incredible guest speaker is **Dr. Hayley Watson**, a clinical psychologist and the founder of Open Parachute, a mental health platform created by Clinical Psychologists & Educators supporting the well being of students. For <u>Tickets</u> or to learn about <u>Open Parachute</u> please visit the links.



## EHMS HOT LUNCH ORDERING IS NOW OPEN

## Winter/Spring Hot Lunch

Parents can NOW log onto their Munch-a-Lunch accounts and place Hot Lunch Orders for our Winter/Spring Session. We know life changes quickly along with our little one's food preferences, so please note:

- Ordering is left OPEN all semester in the event you want or need to make a change to an
  existing order or cancel an order all together (This must be done 7 days prior to hot lunch
  day)
- Orders must be placed at least 7 days prior to the next upcoming lunch date
- If your Child's food preferences change and you want to make a change to their upcoming hot lunch, YOU CAN!
- If you book a vacation or know your child will be away 7 days prior to their hot lunch day, you can cancel the order in your account
- In these cases, just log into your account, cancel the order, and then reorder something different from the menu or keep it canceled.
- If you choose to cancel, a credit will be reflected in your account to use for future orders or if not used up by end of year, your Hot Lunch Coordinator can issue a cheque for the refund.
- If your Child is sick or away on a Hot Lunch Day, please email Jenny/Andrea
   <u>aundseth@wvschools.ca</u> / <u>JMackenzie@wvschools.ca</u> before lunch that day if you would like
   them to set it aside for you to pick up later that same day. Otherwise the lunch will be thrown
   away.

## Eagle Harbour Montessori PAC Is Pleased To Offer Hot Lunch Two Wednesdays A Month & Every Thursday And Friday

#### WHAT ARE THE HOT LUNCH OPTIONS?

- 2 Wednesdays a month we offer Hot Lunch from A Moveable Feast
   Options include Hot Dogs, Chicken Fingers, Pasta & Grilled Cheese (Gluten Free &
   Vegetarian Options available)
- 2. **Sushi Thursday's** Every Thursday we offer Hot Lunch from Sushi Katsu Options include a variety of Sushi rolls, Miso soup, Gyoza, Teriyaki options, Fried Rice & Spring Rolls (Vegetarian options available)
- 3. **Pizza Friday's** Every Friday we offer Hot Lunch from Panago Pizza Options include individual slice Pizza, personal pizza's, Caesar salad & Cinnamon Sticks (Gluten Free & Vegetarian Options available)

#### HOW TO ORDER IF YOU ARE A NEW PARENT TO EAGLE HARBOUR

- 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 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.



## **CONNECT WITH THE EAGLE HARBOUR PAC**

**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** - Emilyn Golden <u>Ms.Stephen</u>

Class Parent - Carrie Siu and Parisa Serri Ms. Hardern
 Class Parent - Katy Brier Ms. Tobin & Ms. Cameron
 Class Parent - Sharon Lee Flynn Mr. Price and Ms. Yu

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Premier Academies & District Programs



The West Vancouver Premier Academies and District Programs are accepting registrations for a variety of programs from badminton to robotics. For detailed information on all our programs as well as the links to register please check out our **MORE DETAILS** section.

The WVS Premier Sports Academies are accepting registrations for the 2023-2024 school year. Please note the following **tryout dates** for students going into Grade 8 to 12 this September.

Students can register online for the Basketball Academy <u>Basketball | West Vancouver Schools</u> and Volleyball Academy <u>Volleyball Academy | West Vancouver Schools</u>. The Academy Office will provide further communication regarding the try outs.

## CHECK OUT THE SPRING OFFERINGS AT THE WVML

## Spring is in the air!

We have so many fun programs planned for Spring Break, and beyond! Registration is now open. Programs fill up quickly, so register soon! Read on to learn more. **Spring Update from WVML** 

## **HONOUR CHOIR PROGRAM GRADES 5-7**

## Ignite Your Passion (IYP): Junior Choir Open for Students



West Vancouver Schools Ignite Your Passion program continues to offer choir for students.

This upcoming 2023-2024 school year, the IYP Junior Choir is open to students Grades 5-7.

Does your child love to sing? If so and students are entering Grades 5, 6 or 7 for the 2023-2024 school year, this IYP Passion Junior Choir is an excellent extension for the music programs offered in our district's elementary schools. Singers will learn vocal techniques, how to sing in harmony, how to express themselves through music, how to begin to analyze a score and read music, how to be a singing actor, and so much more. For more information, please go to the district website by clicking: <a href="Iunior Honour Choir">Iunior Honour Choir</a> We look forward to receiving student registrations! Come on out and sing!

## **HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT**

Open your home and open a student's eyes to the real Canada: real people, real experiences, and real life.

Apply now and welcome a student for the upcoming 2023/2024 school year.



### Did you know?

- Hosting fees are \$1,100 per student per month.
- Many families will host two students which can provide up to \$22,000 per year income subsidy.
- Effective February 1, 2024 the fees increase to \$1,400 per student per month!

Don't miss out, placing students starts now. See below message from an actual student letter joining our program this fall.

"I genuinely believe that Canada is the place where I belong to. It has everything I'm looking for: contact with nature, beautiful landscapes, friendly people, security, and excellent public schools. But, the main reason why I chose Canada is the people; I will be welcome and feel at home"

Call Homestay Manager Martina Brazeau for more information at (604) 341 - 0515 or visit <u>West Vancouver Schools - Host an International Student</u>

## 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: <a href="https://cultureofyes.ca/">https://cultureofyes.ca/</a> or <a href="https://twitter.com/chrkennedy">https://twitter.com/chrkennedy</a>

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