



Eagle Harbour  
Montessori School

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## E-Bulletin EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI DECEMBER 19, 2024



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### IT'S SHOWTIME!!

#### \*\*“A KID’S LIFE” THE MUSICAL, TONIGHT!\*\*

- **When:** December 19, 2024
- **Where:** Drop off your child(ren) between 5:15-5:30 pm in Ms. Hardern’s classroom
- Parents are invited to Mr. Price’s room for an informal PAC Mingler
- **Showtime:** 6:00-7:00 pm (doors open just prior to showtime) in EH Gym
- **Tickets:** Bring two non perishable food items for the Harvest Project for entry to the show!
- **Costumes:** Sweatsuits (no pajamas please) or a matching sweatshirt and sweatpants in any colour or pattern. Solid coloured socks.



We would like to thank our whole EHMS community for your support as our students worked so hard to create this special performance. Thank you to the PAC for providing the resources to purchase the script and get the sound system/mics in place, and to Peter Gromer (Erik’s dad) for all the technical sound help. A very special thank you to Ms. Hardern for her leadership and passion for the arts, Mr. Price for ensuring the sound system was professional and all our voices were heard, Mrs. Mackenzie for the program, and Mrs. Atkinson and Mrs Mackenzie for the magical set!





Please do not park in the school round-about or in front of the gym doors TONIGHT. This is a safety issue and reserved for emergency vehicles only. There is additional parking along Marine Drive and by Parc Verdun on Gallagher Place.

Tomorrow, **Friday, December 20, 2024**, is PJ Day and early dismissal at 12:05pm.

## LOST & FOUND

Oh, the Land of Lost and Found,  
Where treasures big and small abound,  
Water bottles, hoodies, jackets too,  
A lunch box filled with something... goo?  
Each waits patiently, safe and sound,  
To be collected and homeward bound!

***Please take a moment to check the lost and found by December 19. All remaining items will be donated during the winter break.***



## MAGIC AND JOY



It has been a wonderful first term at Eagle Harbour, our “little school in the woods.” It has been a pleasure to watch the last few months unfold and each day is truly filled with joy and magic - the friendships, joy in learning, laughter on the playground, and the unbelievably supportive parent community. We are grateful to be part of such a wonderful community and want to thank you for making every day special. Wishing all of you a very happy winter holiday!  
–*Nathan and Jessica*

## ADMISSIONS 2025–26

K-12 registration for both in-district and out-of-district students opens on **January 15!** If you have students in your family or network who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.



West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student.

To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: [West Vancouver Schools Admissions](#)

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

## Personal Digital Device Expectations

As we reflect on the first four months of the school year, we're proud to recognize the progress we've made together in implementing our Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations. Thanks to the collective efforts of our students, families, and staff, we've seen a significant improvement in how digital devices are used in our schools. This has fostered more focused and engaged learning environments, aligning with our shared goal of supporting student success.

This success would not have been possible without everyone's ongoing support and commitment. While we celebrate these strides, it's important that we remain consistent in maintaining these expectations and continue to remind and support students to ensure this positive momentum is sustained.

## Why We're Doing This

The purpose of these expectations is to minimize distractions and maximize learning opportunities. Digital devices, when used appropriately, are powerful tools for collaboration, creativity, and communication. However, ensuring they don't interrupt instructional time or disrupt the learning environment remains a priority.

## What You Can Continue to Do

Here are some ways families can help reinforce these expectations at home:

1. **Celebrate Progress** -Acknowledge your child’s efforts in adhering to the guidelines and discuss how this has positively impacted their focus and learning.
2. **Reinforce Healthy Habits** - Continue encouraging a balanced approach to device use at home by promoting activities like reading, outdoor play, and family time.
3. **Model Consistency** - Show your support by modeling mindful device use when on the school grounds or in the school building AND during shared family time.
4. **Support School Communication** - Please avoid contacting your child during instructional time, this includes communication through phones and smartwatches. Remind them that non-urgent messages can wait until after school. If urgent communication is needed, please contact the school office.
5. **Stay Engaged** - Revisit the Parent/Guardian Guide to Personal Digital Devices to refresh your understanding of the expectations and discuss them with your child.

Thank you for your partnership and continued support in making this initiative a success.

## DATES AT A GLANCE

DECEMBER	
9-20	<b>NO AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS</b>
19	“A Kid's Life” Musical by EHMS 5:15-5:30 PM (drop off) Showtime 6:00 -7:00 PM Bring 2 non perishables for entry
20	PJ Day Early Dismissal 12:05 PM Last Day of classes before Winter Break Learning Updates (MyEd)
JANUARY	
6	School re-opens

## EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI (EHMS) PAC NEWS

### December PAC Mingler

Please join us for an informal holiday hang before the Winter Musical on December 19th! After you drop off your performer(s) in Ms Hardern's classroom at 5:15-5:30 PM, head on over to Mr Price's room for some light refreshments while we wait for doors to open at 6 PM.

Thanks to all the parents who participated in the sold out Holiday Centerpiece Fundraiser. It was such a lovely event; we all learned a lot, made a beautiful centerpiece and raised over \$500 for the school!

**Special thanks to Talia (Noga's Mom) for lending her incredible talents, stunning materials and creative guidance. Also thanks to Tatiana (Vera's Mom) for joining the fun and taking some beautiful photos. We are so lucky to have such a creative group of parents!**

With such success, many expressed interest in a Spring Centerpiece workshop. If you are interested in joining the next one, please email Andrea at [ehpac@wvschools.ca](mailto:ehpac@wvschools.ca) to get yourself on the list! Details TBC.



## EAGLE HARBOUR MONTESSORI AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

**After school programs are now finished for this term. Kids will need to be picked up promptly at 2:35 PM unless alternative arrangements have been made. Thank you so much for supporting these PAC-initiated programs!**

Please contact Carrie Siu (Jowan's mom) at [siucarrie6@gmail.com](mailto:siucarrie6@gmail.com) with any feedback or questions.

**NEW!! MONDAY THEATRE BUGS with Art Mania** for K-Gr 5

January 6 - March 10, 2025 (no class Jan 27 & Feb 17)

2:40-3:40 pm

\$216



Perfect for kids who love stories and expressing themselves through performing, this class offers budding performers a chance to dive into the world of acting through engaging games and activities. Kids will build confidence, teamwork and imagination while having a blast! Please see attached poster for more info.

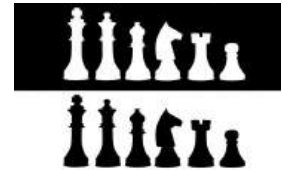
Register [here](#).

**TUESDAY CHESS** with Coaches James, Clement & Keith for 6-11yrs

January 7 - March 11, 2025

2:45-3:45 pm

Our popular Chess club is returning next term! Eagle Harbour kids are invited to explore the strategic world of chess. This club includes fundamentals for beginners along with strategies for the more advanced players. Players will have the opportunity to improve their skills by playing against other players of various levels. Register [here](#).



**WEDNESDAY STORY BOOK CREATIONS** with *Art Mania* K-Gr 5

January 8 - March 12, 2025

2:40-3:40 pm

\$270 (includes all art materials)

In this engaging class, students will explore traditional folk tales from around the world and create art inspired by these stories. Each week, they will dive into projects such as colourful Carp Streamers from Japan, Inuit multi-media paintings, Russian nesting dolls, and more! See attached poster for more info.

Register [here](#).



**THURSDAY YOGA WITH MENKA** K-Gr 5

January 9 - March 13, 2025

2:45-3:45 pm

\$150+GST

Children will become aware about making good food choices and how practicing yoga can help us digest the nutrients in our food! Yoga also helps the digestive tract, making us think better and feel clearer! Please see the poster for more info.

Register [here](#).



**FRIDAY SPORTBALL** for Grades 2 - 5

January 10 - March 14, 2025 (no class Feb 14)

2:40-3:40 pm

\$162+GST



A multisport program where we introduce 8 different sports to the kids (soccer, volleyball, basketball, t-ball, tennis, golf, football and hockey). Baseline skills for each sport are introduced along with team-building and coordination games. The program is based upon physical literacy and giving the kids a chance to thrive in a fun and non-competitive environment. This program has a maximum of 12 kids, so sign up early to avoid disappointment!

Register [here](#).

## DISTRICT NEWS

### Performance Programme:

<http://dundaravefestival.com>

**Saturday Dec 21st 4-8pm**

**Christmas Wassail and Bonfire Night - Presented by  
Maclean Homes**

Los Duendes - Psych Latin Funk Fusion

Square Dancing

Community Carolling around the bonfire

Santa arrives by Search and Rescue Boat, Music Dancing etc.



**We want to make information accessible and easy to find, when looking for local programs, events, and resources in West Vancouver. Check out this link [HERE](#) for more information.**

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*I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Sʷwx\_wú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.*