

September 28th, 2023

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Hawks Highlights

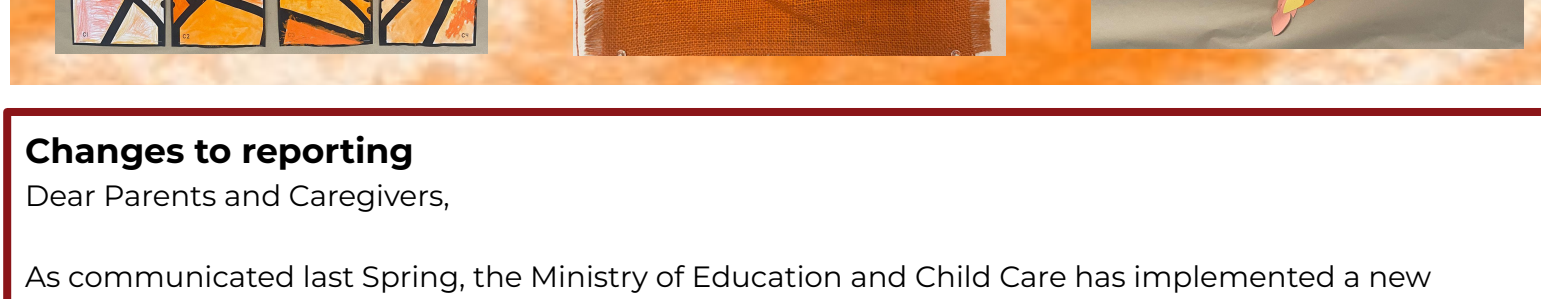
Sept	29th	Orange Shirt Day
Oct	2nd	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - no classes
	3rd	#3 Cross Country Meet Grades 3-7 3:45 pm @ Ambleside Park
	5th	PAC Annual General Meeting 1:00 pm @ in the library
	9th	Thanksgiving Day - no classes
	18th	Caribou Contest #1 @ 7:30 am
	19th	Emergency Release Drill *see below @ 1:15 pm
	19th	PAC Cedardale Movie Night (tentative) 6:30pm @ Park Royal Cineplex
	20th	Provincial Professional Development Day - school not in session
	25-26th	Learning Conferences - early dismissal 11:30 am /11:50 am
	27th	Photo Retake Day

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Friday, September 29th, 2023

We invite everyone to wear orange tomorrow in recognition of **Orange Shirt Day** (on Saturday, Sept. 30)

[Learn more about National Day for Truth and Reconciliation by clicking here](#)



Changes to reporting

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As communicated last Spring, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has implemented a new Learning Update Policy which defines and provides direction for the ways our school will be communicating your child's learning. The goal of the Learning Updates is to provide personalized, descriptive feedback to effectively communicate with students, parents, and caregivers about where students are in their learning, next steps, and how families and teachers can work together to support student growth.

The provincial Reporting Policy mandates that students in Kindergarten through Grade 9 will be assessed using the four-point proficiency scale and students in Grade 10 through Grade 12 courses will be assessed using letter grades and percentages. Each term, students at all levels will be sharing self-reflections and making goals around British Columbia's Core Competencies – Communication Skills, Thinking Skills, and Personal and Social Skills.

Teachers will be communicating and reporting throughout the year in the following formats:

- 3 Formal Written Learning Updates (2 Mid-year Learning Updates, and 1 Summary of Learning)
- 2 Informal Learning Updates (ex. Parent-Teacher Conferences, Student-Family-Teacher Conference, Interim Report)

The Ministry of Education and Child Care, responsible for creating reporting requirements, has provided [reporting information for parents and caregivers](#) in the following languages: [English](#), [French](#), [Chinese](#) [\(Simplified and Traditional\)](#), [Tagalog](#), [Farsi](#), [Urdu](#), [Punjabi Gurmukhi](#)

Should you have any further questions, please reach out to me directly at khaves@wvschools.ca.

Sincerely,

Mme Hayes

It's that time of year again! - Stay home if you are sick!

If your child is demonstrating any signs of illness, please keep them home so that they may rest and return to school in good health. As we are in the middle of cold and flu season, we are making every effort to reduce student and staff absence due to illness. Thank you for doing your part!

If your child will be absent, be sure to inform the school before classes begin by emailing [Mme Frezell](mailto:Mme.Frezell@mrezell@wvschools.ca) or by leaving a message on the school voicemail (604-981-1390).

Emergency Release Drill - Thursday, October 19th @ 1:15 pm

This is a simulated emergency drill to practise releasing students to emergency contacts before the regular dismissal time. We practise this in the event of an earthquake or other emergency evacuation.

Have you returned your child(ren)'s verification forms? Who have you listed as an emergency contact for your child? For whom are you listed as an emergency contact?

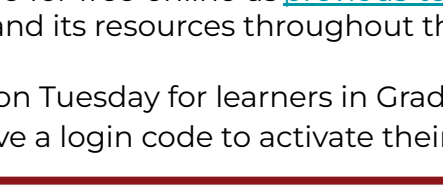
Please make sure that anyone listed as your child(ren)'s emergency contact is aware of this responsibility. In the event of an emergency release, it would be their responsibility to check-on/pick-up your child if you are unable.

Release Procedures:

- Parent/Caregiver will be directed to the alphabetical "Parent/Caregiver Reception Tables" where they will show their government issued **photo identification**
 - If you have **not** filled out and returned an **emergency contact form** (i.e. completed your child(ren)'s verification forms in the white envelope), you will be asked to do so, before a runner can be sent for your child
- A runner will be sent to get your child from their respective classroom while you await them in the "Parent/Caregiver Waiting Area" before leaving the school

All students who are not picked up during the release drill will be dismissed at their usual dismissal time.

Your patience and participation are truly appreciated as we work to ensure the safety of all our Cedardale community.



Once again Cedardale will be providing the opportunity for learners in **Grades 2-7** to participate in a series of **Online Mathematics Contests** called the Caribou Cup. The Caribou Mathematics Competition is a world wide online contest that is held six times throughout the school year. The Caribou Cup is the series of all Caribou Contests in one school year. Each participant's ranking in the Caribou Cup is determined by their performance in their best 5 of 6 contests through the school year.

All of previous contests are available for free online as [previous tests](#) so learners can prepare. They can access and practice using this site and its resources throughout the year.

[Permission forms](#) were sent home on Tuesday for learners in Grades 2-7. Once permission forms have been completed, learners will receive a login code to activate their account for the 2023-2024 year.

Lunch Reminder - Action Item!

Please remember to send cutlery with your child. Fun Lunch DOES NOT come with cutlery.

Fun Lunch is underway!

After a bit of a rocky start, our fun lunch program is up and running. You can still order using these links:

- Returning families: <https://munchalunch.com/login>
- Families new to Cedardale: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Cedardale>

You can order the same food for multiple weeks all term, or create separate orders for different dates if you'd like more variety. Please note that orders must be received by Monday to be delivered the following week, and **unpaid orders will be cancelled.**

If you have any concerns about Monday's White Spot delivery (there were errors), or have any questions about fun lunch in general, please email cedardalehotlunch@gmail.com.

If you'd like to volunteer to help distribute fun lunch at the school, please email jeanne_you@hotmail.com.

Cedardale Athletics



Our Cross-Country season is almost over! Our last meet is on **Tuesday, October 3rd** from **3:45 – 5:00 pm at Ambleside Park.**

Practices are on Mondays and Fridays at 8:00 am.

Weather cancellations will be communicated by 1:00 pm on the day of the meet.

Parent Advisory Council

Cedardale PAC Annual General Meeting - Thursday, October 5th

We look forward to seeing you on **Thursday, October 5th at 1:00pm** in the Cedardale Learning Commons/Library!

Resources and Opportunities for Students and Families

A Coding Club for Girls in Grades 6, 7 and 8

If you are a girl in Grade 6, 7 or 8 who attends a West Vancouver School and you are interested in coding, this club might be for you!

This year, there will be three cohorts, as follows:

- COHORT 1** - for real beginners. We will be learning block based coding to create simple games and interactive stories. Group meets online Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 7:40, Mid October to December. Laptop, desktop or iPad needed.
- COHORT 2** - need some experience. We will be using language based coding to look at blending art and tech. Group meets online Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 7:40, February to April. Laptop, desktop
- COHORT 3** - need some experience AND an Apple device (Macbook, iMac or newer iPad). This group will be using Apple's Swift Language and working towards designing and creating app prototypes. This groups meets online Tuesday nights from 7:45 to 8:45, Mid October to April/May.

If you are interested, please email Ms Wilson (District Vice Principal of Innovation and Technology) at cwilson@wvschools.ca. Please include your name, school and grade. Registration will remain open until October 6th. Space is limited in all three cohorts, so register soon!

There is no cost for this club but students need to have access to a device (as noted above) and need to be able to attend regularly.

GIRLS WITH SUPERPOWERS!

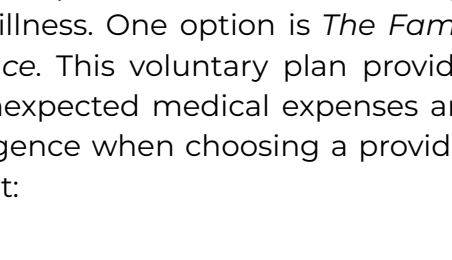
Opportunity for Grade 6s and 7s

Have you ever wondered how technology products are built, what skills and abilities are required, and what the various career options are available in technology?

Join us at Game of Apps (season 07) where professional software developers and product designers teach and mentor students on a weekly basis. You will learn coding and design skills, as well as important soft skills such as teamwork, communication, critical thinking, problem solving, time management and much more.

Intro to Coding program details: <https://youtu.be/nWJq7T5bUis>
Registration: <https://gameofapps.org/register>

Early-bird pricing is available before September 30. There are also two Info Sessions scheduled (details at gameofapps.org).



Optional Accident Insurance

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. One option is *The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan (FARP) provided by Industrial Alliance*. This voluntary plan provides coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. As always, families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.

Learn more here: <https://www.solutionsinsurance.com/aonbc> or contact:

- Phone: 1.800.266.5667
- Email: solutions@ia.ca

Opportunities for Families

The following events are being offered for families and the community. Please add to your weekly e-bulletin

- Kindergarten Info Session: [Kindergarten Info Session September 2023 \(1\).pdf](#)
- Family Smart Workshop Series and Information Sessions: [FamilySmart Monthly Online Events - Fall Series 2023.pdf](#) and [FamilySmart Workshop Open House for Professionals Fall 2023.pdf](#)
- Moving to Adulthood Information Fair: [Moving to Adulthood Fair October 2023 \(1\).pdf](#)

Canadian Parents for French

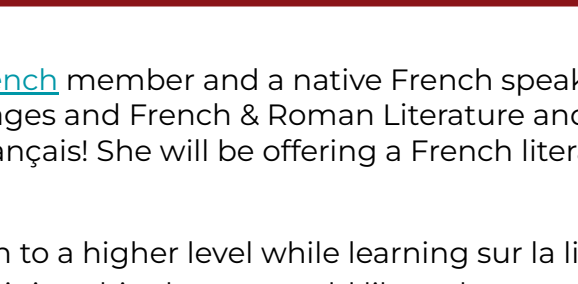
Canadian Parents for French Membership Drive

Sept. 1 - Oct. 31

All new and renewed memberships are automatically entered to win prizes, and Chapters receive more funding!

The chapter year gets the most during the first two months of the school year that gives ALL its local membership fees back, which it can use to bring in entertainers, host festivals and enrich students' French education. Support your West Vancouver Chapter by becoming a member and help us bringing more French activities into our community!

Click here to join or renew: <https://bc-yk.cpf.ca/en/membership-drive/#joinCPFbcyk>



CPF - French Classes

Nathalie Thibaut-Buffart is a [Canadian Parents for French](#) member and a native French speaker, born and raised in Belgium, with a Master's Degree in Languages and French & Roman Literature and a great passion for sharing her Literature knowledge, en Français! She will be offering a French literature class this fall.

This class is a great opportunity to bring your French to a higher level while learning sur la littérature française throughout time. If you are interested in joining this class or would like to know more details about it, please email Nathalie @ n_thibautbuffart@yahoo.fr

Please note that this class requires an advance French level (B+ Level). Below some details.

West Vancouver Community Centre - French Classes for Adults

LINK: https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/westvanrec/activity/search/detail/148260?onlineSiteId=0&fr_om_original_cui=true

In this class with a native French-speaking instructor, you will develop your conversation skills and communicate about yourself and your daily life. You will also improve your pronunciation, expressions and vocabulary.

By the end of the course, you will be able to:

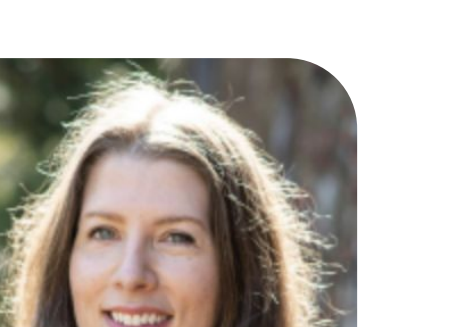
- Introduce yourself with more details
- Communicate with essential sentences and questions about different subjects
- Use a good range of vocabulary for everyday conversation
- Use present tense and more irregular verbs

And, of course, we will continue to discover other French cultural facts in a fun way!

Before and After School Programs & Community Connections

West Vancouver Memorial Library

Hello West Van Schools partners!



The WVML September / October 2023 e-newsletter for kids, families and educators is here!

[September/October 2023 Update from WVML \(patronpoint.com\)](#)

This issue features programs and resources related for the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**, an exciting Youth Department space planning project and so much more!

Everything is free, open to all and no library card is required.



Youth Department

Fencing is back!

WESTBAY WEDNESDAYS October 10 th , 16 th , 23 rd , 30 th November 6 th , 20 th , 27 th December 11 th Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM	CEDARDALE WEDNESDAYS October 4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th November 1 st , 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM	CHARTWELL THURSDAYS October 5 th , 12 th , 19 th , 26 th November 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM	WESTCOT FRIDAYS October 6 th , 13 th , 27 th November 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th December 1 st Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM
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CBST: \$170 per child (all fencing equipment provided). FREE brand new fencing mask and glove for new students (value of \$130). If you wish to purchase a full set of equipment, please contact the club or our pro shop.

- New Students - Scan the QR code to register
1. Create Account
 2. Drop in at 2380 Hill Ave, North Vancouver to make a payment and
 3. Pick up fencing mask and glove (new students only)
- Returning Students - Contact us directly
1. Call 604-990-8889 to make a payment and
 2. Please bring your equipment from the previous term to classes.

