

June 28th, 2024

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## Hawks Highlights

<b>Jun</b>	28	First day of Summer Holidays
<b>Jul</b>	1	Canada Day
	2	School office closed
<b>Aug</b>	26	School office re-opens
<b>Sep</b>	2	Labour Day
	3	First day of classes

Bonjour à tous,

As the school year comes to a close, this week has been bittersweet. We have said farewell to our wonderful Grade Seven class of 2024. Seventh graders, you've reached a milestone, and we couldn't be more proud of each and every one of you. Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm have truly shone throughout your time at Ecole Cedardale.

To all of our amazing HAWKS, you've grown so much this year and you've made our school a vibrant place of learning and discovery.

A heartfelt thank you to the parents and families for your partnership, support, and involvement. Together, we've created a strong, supportive community that values educational excellence and personal growth. On behalf of the staff, we are so appreciative of your kindness and generosity in this last week of school. Your thoughtful gifts and words fill our hearts with gratitude.

To our dedicated staff, your passion and commitment have made a lasting impact on everyone. You've gone above and beyond to provide a rich, caring, and nurturing learning environment. We also want to extend our best wishes to those beloved staff members who are moving on to new adventures. Thank you Mme Rimi, Mme Daw, and Mme Du for everything that you have done for us over the years. Your contributions have been invaluable, your impacts will be lasting, and you will be greatly missed.

A special mention goes to our incredible custodian, M. Mac, who is retiring this year. Your hard work and dedication have ensured that our school is always a welcoming and safe place. Thank you for every fist-bump and high-five! Thank you for rinsing off our muddy shoes and balls after recess! Thank you for helping us zip our jackets and tie our shoes! Thank you for teaching us the value of taking care of one another and human kindness and connection. We wish you a wonderful and fulfilling retirement. ❤️

Have a fantastic summer, filled with fun, relaxation, and memorable experiences. We can't wait to hear about your summer adventures and to continue our journey together in the new school year. See you in September!

Mme Hayes and the Cedardale Staff

### Personal Digital Devices - IMPORTANT!

On January 26th, 2024, the Province announced three significant actions to enhance the safety and well-being of learners in relation to digital technology, including the introduction of restrictions on the use of personal digital devices in schools (this would apply to cell phones, laptops, tablets, smartwatches, etc.). These updated policies will be in place for the 24-25 school year.

Most West Vancouver Schools already have technology guidelines in place. We recognize that the unregulated use of personal devices can be a significant distraction from learning. These devices can interrupt class time, interfere with student focus and disrupt the educational environment. However, we also understand that when used thoughtfully and with supervision, digital technology can offer valuable opportunities for our learners. These tools can enhance the learning by enabling students to create content, communicate, collaborate and share.

Starting in September we will be refocusing our approach with personal digital device use in both elementary and secondary schools. In compliance with our technology guidelines, personal digital devices will only be used with the direct permission of the teacher and/or administrator, who will provide clear guidelines to ensure their use is intentional and purposeful in supporting student learning. Additionally, considerations will be made to accommodate students' medical and health needs, accessibility, and accommodation requirements.

Applicable times:

**Secondary Schools:** Personal digital device expectations will be in effect during instructional time.

**Elementary Schools:** Personal digital device expectations will be in effect throughout the full school day, including before school, after school, and during break times.

More detailed information about these new expectations will be shared at the start of the 2024-25 school year. In September, we will ask parents and guardians to support these guidelines by minimizing calls and texts to their children during school hours. It is important for students to remain focused and engaged in their learning without the expectation of responding immediately to messages. We also encourage families to start thinking about how they can support these new expectations to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation as we work together to create a safe and productive learning environment for our learners.

### Summary of Learning - Final Report Card

On **Thursday, June 27th**, families received a *Summary of Learning* document, similar to a report card. Unlike the *Learning Updates* of Terms One and Two, this report is a summary of the progress your child has made this school year and the performance descriptors (Emerging, Developing, Proficient, or Extending) indicate your child's ability after the school year.

Because the summary captures the entire school year, it is focused on the skills, competencies, and approaches to learning that students developed throughout the year rather than the *knowledge* and *understandings* that are typically developed in the Units of Inquiry each term. The descriptive feedback is reflective of the year and communicates strengths and areas for growth to prepare students for the next grade or course.

Your child(ren)'s Summary of Learning will be available via the MyEd Parent Portal on Thursday, June 27th, 2024 until July 31, 2024. Please be sure you will be able to access the MyEd Parent Portal. For support, please [CLICK HERE](#). For an instructional video, please click below.



If you are having difficulty accessing the portal using the resources above, please contact Mme Frezell at [mfrezell@wvschools.ca](mailto:mfrezell@wvschools.ca). Please note the office will be closed on Friday, July 5, 2024.

### Returning to Cedardale? Plans changing over the summer?

As we are currently accepting new registrations for the 2024-25 school year, we are trying to predict as closely as possible whether or not we have room for those new students interested in joining our school.

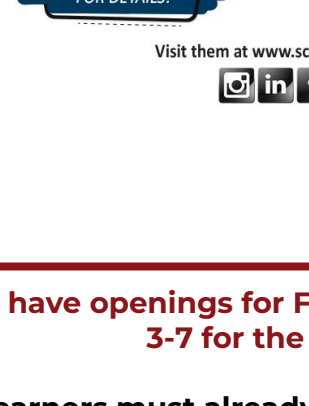
We understand that job transfers happen and relocations can occur without much notice however, please indicate to the best of your knowledge if your child will **not** be returning to us in September (and we certainly hope your family will be!). This will greatly assist us in knowing how many spaces are available.

If your child will **not** be returning to Cedardale for the 2024-2025 school year, please contact Mme Frezell at [mfrezell@wvschools.ca](mailto:mfrezell@wvschools.ca).

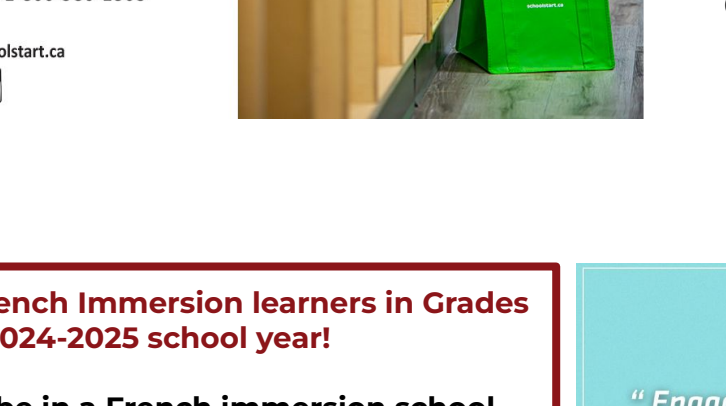
**Please note that if you are planning to return to Cedardale, learners are expected to be present (at school) by September 5, 2024 to guarantee their spot for the 2024-2025 school year.**

### Planning ahead for next year...

West Vancouver Schools  
Annual Calendar



2024-2025  
SCHOOL CALENDAR



Cedardale Calendar  
Important Dates

August 19-20	Summer Camp
August 26-27	Summer Camp
September 2-3	Summer Camp
September 9-10	Summer Camp
September 16-17	Summer Camp
September 23-24	Summer Camp
September 30-October 1	Summer Camp
October 7-8	Summer Camp
October 14-15	Summer Camp
October 21-22	Summer Camp
October 28-29	Summer Camp
November 4-5	Summer Camp
November 11-12	Summer Camp
November 18-19	Summer Camp
November 25-26	Summer Camp
December 2-3	Summer Camp
December 9-10	Summer Camp
December 16-17	Summer Camp
December 23-24	Summer Camp
December 30-January 1	Summer Camp



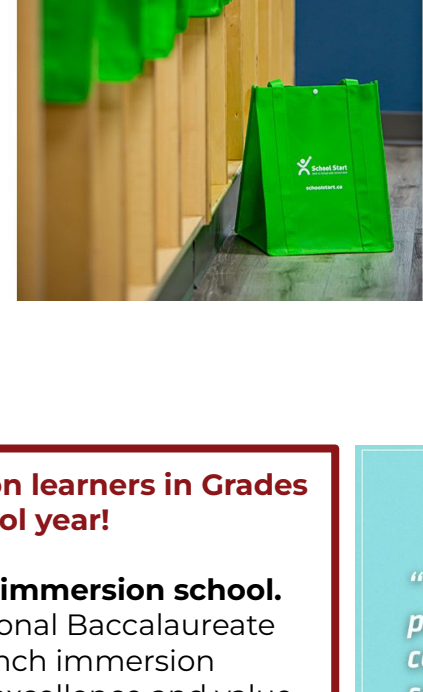
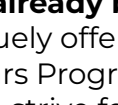
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1. Parents Shop Here
2. Purchase School Supply Kits
3. Select Province, then City, then School
4. Click Here to Purchase
5. Lasty, click on the next year grade and proceed from there

### We have openings for French Immersion in Grades 3-7 for the 2024-2025 school year!

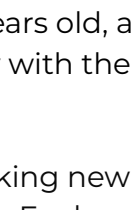
**Learners must already be in a French immersion school.** Cedardale uniquely offers the International Baccalaureate Primary Program in a French immersion environment. We strive for educational excellence and value and nurture the development of caring, active, and life-long learners. Be sure to tell your friends!

Learn more about the IB [Primary Years Programme](#).

Learn more about [Early French Immersion in West Vancouver Schools](#).

Learn more about how to register for [École Cedardale](#)

"Engaging with new families as they participate in school, district and community activities enhances the sense of belonging for students, staff, parents, and caregivers"



**Kristina Hayes**  
Principal, Ecole Cedardale

### Community Connections & Extracurricular Opportunities

#### EXPLORE French Language Experience for Grade 7s (ages 13+)

Explore offers language-learning programs for participants 13 to 15 years old, and students who are 16 or older. Learn to speak or improve your French in a fun, interactive way with the OLP-PLO Explore immersion programs

Imagine learning or improving your French-speaking skills while making new friends and experiencing a different local culture and way of life in another part of Canada. That's Explore.

Explore is an intensive, government-funded immersion programs offered during the spring and summer in exciting locations across the country. The sessions are taught at accredited institutions, and students live on campus or with local host families.

<https://youtu.be/SWsdmWrHU4>

### West Vancouver Basketball Club Summer Camps

The end of the school year is here which means the WVBC summer camps are just a few weeks away. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVBC Teacher/Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. Space is limited so best not to delay in signing up. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

### ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE / GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

Spring Term General Recreation Programs have begun:

Important Dates:

Summer Camp Registrations Open on Wednesday, May 1st.  
[www.westvancouver.ca/camps](http://www.westvancouver.ca/camps)

Other Summer program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 19th.

Browse all your recreation activities and programs here:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

[www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers](http://www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers)



### Summer Dates

BC Family French Camp is offered at different times and at three different locations throughout the province. Families camp for one week in their own campsite. Activities at each location are designed to take advantage of the local geography, flora, and fauna.

**Okanagan (Summerland)**  
July 6 - 13, 2024

**Gwillim Lake (between Chetwynd and Tumbler Ridge)**  
July 20-27, 2024

**Vancouver Island (Nanaimo)**  
Week 1: August 10-17, 2024  
Week 2: August 17-24, 2024

### CPF Membership

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH BRITISH COLUMBIA & YUKON

CPF Membership is required to attend French Camp. BC Family French Camp enjoys the support of CPF BC & Yukon and for that all campers are required to be members in good standing.



### Camp Registration

Returning campers: February 4, 2024  
New campers: February 11, 2024

