



ÉCOLE CEDARDALE ELEMENTARY 📃 E-BULLETIN

September 12th, 2024

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Hawks Highlights		
Sept	13th	Individual Photo Day - Tomorrow
	13th	WVS District Kindergarten Picnic 1:30-2:30 pm
	17th	#1 Cross Country Meet Grades 3-7
	19th	Terry Fox Run
	20th	Professional Development Day - School not in session
	23rd	Elementary Band Demo @ Sentinel 3:45-4:45 pm
	24th	#2 Cross Country Meet Grades 3-7
	25th	Curriculum Night 5:00 pm
	27th	Orange Shirt Day
	30th	National Day of Truth and Reconciliation - School not in session
Oct	lst	#2 Cross Country Meet Grades 3-7
	7th & 10th	Grade 4/5 Learn2Ride
	14th	Thanksgiving - School not in session

Pick-up, Drop-off, Parking - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Thank you for continuing to be cautious and patient when picking up and dropping off your child(ren).

NEW FOR 2024-2025

With reduced staff parking in the staff lot, the spots at the top of the turnaround (by the stairs to the back of the school and playground) will be reserved for staff only. Please do not park in these parking spots. When picking up your Grade 4-7 child(ren), please do not arrive before 3:00pm. Your child will be dismissed at 3:00pm (not before).

Staff will no longer be directing waiting parents/caregivers into these spots. If you are in the turnaround line and your child has not yet exited the school, you will be asked to exit the turnaround and get back in line at a later time.

We strongly encourage families to pre-arrange all pick-ups. You may wish to meet your child on Margaree Pl., at the back field on Inglewood Ave., or park a few blocks away and meet on foot. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



No Furry Friends on the Playground Please!

Although we love your pets, dogs are NOT permitted on school grounds. Please keep furry friends in the car or off school property.



Fun Lunch is back!

Ordering for the Fall/Winter Session is open (order by Sept 16th 9:00am for the week of Sept 23rd)

Things to remember:

- Fun lunch will be available Monday to Friday •
- Ordering will remain open after that but please be mindful of your first delivery date as it will likely be 10 + days from the date you ordered.
- You do not have to order for the whole session at once, ordering is always open.
- You can remove dates that you will be away and make changes to



- upcoming orders up to 10 days in advance.
- Please make sure you pack cutlery for you child
- If you do not receive a reminder, please log in to the site to make sure you have an order for the upcoming day.

Here is the link to the ordering site Munchalunch for Cedardale: https://munchalunch.com/schools/Cedardale

If you have not logged into your Munchalunch account this year or are a new parent, you will see this message upon doing so: "Welcome to the 2024-25 school year, please, update your child's grade/teacher/div BEFORE ordering". Please, do not skip this step as it is very important to place your child in the correct division.

The team is looking for **volunteers** to help with Fun Lunch distribution, please contact <u>cedardalehotlunch@gmail.com</u> if you are able to help out!

<u>Policy and Procedures Forms</u> & Emergency Contact Forms - Action Item!

Please take the time as soon as possible to complete our online Policy and Procedures Forms: https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Account/Login?rr=Form/PandP.

It is very important that each learner has these forms filled out in order to participate in all school-based opportunities (i.e., Terry Fox Run, community walks, accessing digital resources, using school wifi, etc).

Each learner will also be sent home with a package containing information and important (paper) forms which must be filled out and returned to the school by Monday, September 25th. It is necessary to provide the office with the most up-to-date contact information which is used to contact families in case of emergency as well as to communicate important information from the school. Please review the Student Verification Form carefully as the contact information within represents the information we have on file. Without this, you will not receive timely communication from the school or school district. Be on the lookout for this package Friday, September 13th!

Ecole Cedardale Spiritwear

You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

Scan the QR code or go online to https://ecolecedardalestore.itemorder.com/
Choose your items and add them to your cart
Securely checkout with your credit card

Online Store Deadline: Monday September 23rd, 2024 (11:59pm PDT)



Personal Digital Device Expectations – NEW!

At West Vancouver Schools, we understand that personal digital devices offer students valuable opportunities to collaborate, create, and communicate, enhancing their learning experiences. We also recognize the importance of maintaining focused and safe learning environments for all students. Recently, provincial guidelines and legislation have further highlighted the need to minimize distractions, as digital devices can interrupt class time, interfere with student concentration, and disrupt the educational setting. To support focused and safe learning environments, West Vancouver Schools is refining our approach to digital device use and will be uniformly applying personal digital device expectations across all schools. Starting this school year, personal digital devices will only be allowed with the explicit permission of a teacher or administrator, who will provide clear guidelines to ensure their use is intentional and directly supports student learning. Additionally, considerations will be made to accommodate students' medical and health needs, accessibility, and accommodation requirements.

Here's what this means for different school levels:

- Elementary Schools: Personal digital device expectations will apply throughout the entire school day, including before school, after school, and during break times. Cell phones will not be used at all during school hours.
- Secondary Schools: Personal digital device expectations will be in place during instructional time. Instructional time is during classes, assemblies and all school related learning activities.

How You Can Help:

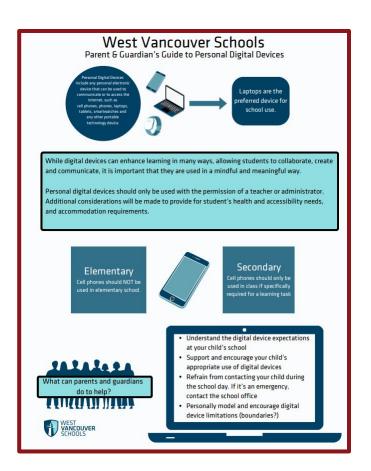
To support these updated expectations, we ask parents and guardians to:

Familiarize Yourself: Please take the time to read through the <u>Parent/Guardian Guide to</u> <u>Personal</u> Digital Devices to fully understand the new district-wide expectations. Additionally, review any specific guidelines or expectations provided by your child's teacher(s). Understanding both the general and specific expectations will help you support your child in following the new expectations effectively.

Model Appropriate Use: Demonstrate and discuss the importance of limiting device use at home, especially during family time or other important activities. Your behavior sets a powerful example for your child.

Encourage Balance: Help your child find a healthy balance between screen time and other activities, such as reading, outdoor play, or family interactions. This will reinforce the focus on learning during school hours.

Mindful Communication: Please avoid calling or texting your child during school time. Remind your child that school time is for learning, and that messages can wait until after school. If there is an emergency or urgent communication is needed, please contact the school office.



By working together, we can create a safer, more focused learning environment for all students. These small steps at home can make a big difference in reinforcing the positive changes we're implementing at school. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

School Fees

School fees in the amount of \$17 (for Gr. 1-7) will appear on School Cash Online in addition to the \$500 IB fee. These fees help support essential programs, classroom supplies such as agendas and yearbooks, and activities that enrich our learners' educational experience to ensure our learners have access to high-quality resources and opportunities. In addition, a portion of the cost is a School Cash Online User fee for all West Vancouver Students.

Optional Accident Insurance for Families

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. There are many different voluntary plans that provide coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. Families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.

Hawks Athletics

Cross Country Grades 3-7

The Cross Country season kicks off with our first practice tomorrow, Friday, September 13th at 8:00am. Meet Coach Ginny and Coach Valerie at the front of the school. Please be reminded permission forms are due to today, we will make an exception for late forms as long as they are given to coaches tomorrow am. If you are interested in supporting the team as a **volunteer coach**, please contact M. Hugo @ hpaquin@wvschools.ca. No experience necessary!

Before and After School Programs & Community Connections

User Pay Opportunities:

Hoops Basketball Academy

Basketball and Fitness After School Program (KG - Gr3)

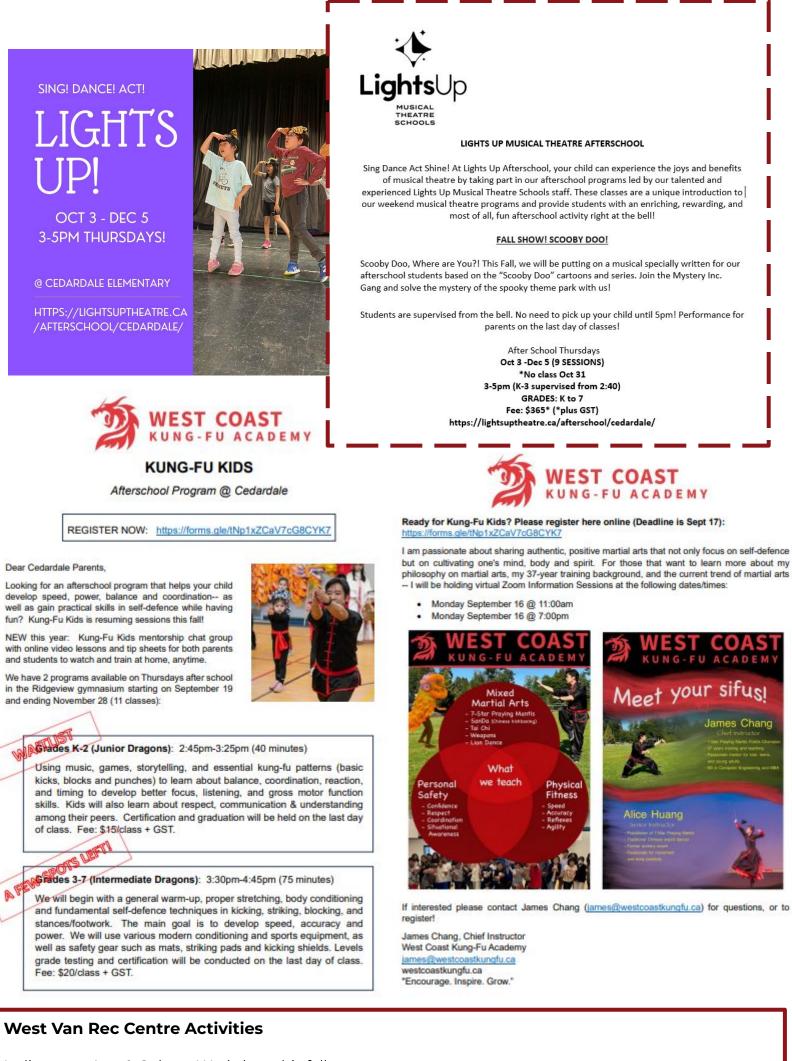
Learn the fundamental skills of basketball in a fun and encouraging environment. Fun and movement is the focus!!

Fall Registration NOW OPEN

(Gr2 – Gr3) ---- 2:40 pm – 4:00 pm (Fridays)

After school sessions @ Ecole Cedardale Elementary

For more information and to register, click <u>Here</u> or visit us at: <u>www.hoopsbasketball.ca</u>



Indigenous Arts & Culture Workshop this fall.

Small Group Music Classes: Ukulele, Acoustic Guitar and Singing Classes are starting in September.

Language Program for Various Ages:

Give yourself a gift of language skills in French, Spanish, Mandarin, Farsi, Korean, American Sign Language (ASL), Ukrainian and English as a Second/Third Language.

Click here for PD Day Camps

Browse all your recreation activities and programs here: https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities

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