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Remembrance Day

A warm and proud thank you to the Adeniyi and Turnill families for representing PJ at Saturday's Remembrance Day Ceremony in West Vancouver.



Happy Diwali!

Thank you to PJ parent, Devika, for bringing [Diwali](#) to PJ. Children and staff had a great time last week learning about this annual Celebration of Light.

Primary Christmas Concert Grades K-3 – Save the Date!

Save **Tuesday December 19th** for this year's Primary Christmas Concert taking place at the Kay Meek Theatre. Show time is at 4:00pm. Come to see **Les étoiles d'hiver**. Please watch for more details to come about ticket purchasing.

Santa's Workshop: Drop-off Your Donations

We have started accepting donations for [Santa's Workshop](#). Drop-off gently used items to the gym outside access door on M/W/F before or after school until Dec 15th. For a list of accepted items, please see our [site](#).

PAC Meeting Minutes

Thanks to those who were able to attend last week's PAC meeting. If you were unable to attend please take a read through the [meeting minutes](#).

Purdy's Chocolates Fundraiser – Last week to order!

Yes, it's that time of year again! Think of the time and energy you can save by ordering all your stocking stuffers and appreciation gifts [online from Purdy's](#), while also supporting a school fundraiser. Check out the [online catalogue](#) to see how you can support our school by buying great chocolates. If you don't know what you like, buy a couple to try! Fundraiser closes November 25, and orders will be ready to pick up at the school on December 12. For more details and instructions on how to order, visit our [website](#).

Winter Weather Reminders

With the days getting longer and the weather officially looking more like winter every day, we wanted to remind everyone of the West Vancouver Schools Winter Weather protocols.

West Vancouver Schools endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall ([Weather Closures and Procedures](#)). Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and will be based on the safety of students and staff. We aim to communicate any decision to close schools by 6:00 am.

If a school or schools are closed by the Superintendent, staff are not expected to attend those specific site(s) but would be expected to work from home and would contact their families via email.

If schools are open and you are uncomfortable driving in winter conditions, you may wish to arrange to carpool or review your options with respect to taking transit. Transit may be delayed but it is an option for those of you who prefer not to drive. Nothing is consistent about our weather, so it is important to remain current in your knowledge about the weather, school closure status and local driving conditions.

Please check the [school district website](#) for the most current information on school closures.

School closures may also appear on several local news sources including:

News 1130	http://www.news1130.com/
CKNW 98	http://www.cknw.com/news/
Global TV	http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/
CBC	http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia

If you have any questions, please connect with Mme Zielinski.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

Please note that any opportunities from previous weeks can be found in [past e-bulletins](#).

PJ REPORTING OF STUDENT ABSENCES

Is your child sick? Have an appointment, or something happened and your child cannot be at school? Please email paulinejohnson@wvschools.ca with any and all of this information. Merci.

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov 21	Student-Led Open House – See messaging from your child’s teacher
Nov 24	Gr 6 Immunization Clinic
Dec 1 st	First Term Ends – Report Cards posted on the Family Portal
Dec 4	Pro-D Day – No Students in Session
Dec 12	Winter Band and Choir Concert @ Irwin Park at 5:00pm
Dec 19	Primary Christmas Concert – at Kay Meek Gr. K-3 @ 4:00pm
Dec 20	Santa’s Workshop
Dec 22	Last day before Winter Break – EARLY DISMISSAL 12:10/12:20pm

[2023-2024 Calendar](#)

[PJ Year at a Glance Calendar 2023-2024](#)

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