



# École Pauline Johnson

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At PJ, every student, staff and community member – regardless of race, culture, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or ability – is welcome and should feel comfortable and cared for at our school.

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## Inclusivity Corner

Ways to promote diversity and inclusion at home

The best way for kids to learn about diversity and inclusion is to see it modeled by trusted adults. Parents can take active steps to make sure their child is immersed in communities and opportunities that embrace and celebrate differences.

Questions parents can ask themselves

- What implicit biases do I have? [Take a test.](#)
- What is unique about our family culture? How do we celebrate that uniqueness? How do we respect and celebrate other cultures?
- What types of diversity do we have in our family?
- Who do we invite to our home for social time?
- Is our neighborhood diverse and inclusive? If not, what makes it that way?
- What types of diversity and inclusion are reflected in our religious or ethical community? How can we be more diverse and inclusive?
- Does my child see diverse people in positions of authority (e.g., teachers, coaches, health care providers, faith leaders, etc.)? If not, how can I change that?
- Do our extracurricular or leisure time activities include diverse groups of people? What opportunities exist to become more involved?
- Does the media we consume (e.g., books, shows, videos, games, etc.) feature diverse characters and storylines without stereotypes? Do we use media as an opportunity to talk about diversity and inclusion?

Have you heard any quotes, witnessed any actions, or read any stories about equity, diversity, and inclusion? If so, please share them with us at [hwilliams@wvschools.ca](mailto:hwilliams@wvschools.ca) for future sharing in this space.

## Areas for Future Growth Conferences (Term Three)

Grades K–7

**Wednesday, May 14th – Early Dismissal**

**12:10pm for K–4 Students**

**12:20pm for Grades 5–7**

**Thursday, May 15th – Regular Dismissal for Students**

Online sign-up starts **Monday, May 5th at 9:00 am.**

Please book your appointments using your email by going to:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/puwcv> -

Code = w6hbs

If parents wish to sign up for their child's ELL teacher, they need to sign up using the same code, but click on Mme Virjee or Mme Visona and book a separate interview.

Sign up will close at 9:00am the morning of May 12th.

## Earth Week - BIKE, WALK, or SCOOTER to school

Mark your calendars! Earth Week is next week (April 21–25) and the PJ Environment Club is encouraging kids to celebrate Earth Day by wearing GREEN on Tuesday, April 22. Also, Bike to School Week is returning to Pauline Johnson and we'd love to have you and your children participate! Next week, try to BIKE WALK, or SCOOTER to school!

We encourage you to start having a conversation with your children about joining this movement, planning your routes, and safety on the roads.

### BENEFITS OF ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Using active transportation ensures that everyone is active during their day and this helps us

be healthier! There are many other benefits as well:

- Exercise and fresh air every day
- Get rid of extra energy, better concentration in class
- Get to know your neighbourhood and feel safe in it
- Learn important pedestrian safety skills
- Builds children's independence and confidence
- Fewer students being dropped off = fewer cars at school = a safer school zone
- Fewer cars = less pollution & greenhouse gas emissions
- Walking is free!

Looking for a way to participate, but live too far away?

Consider dropping your child off at Marine Drive and 22nd, Hay Park, Ottawa and 22nd, or Mathers and 24th for a short walk to PJ!

We look forward to seeing you and your children participate next week from April 21–25 when we will BIKE, WALK, or SCOOTER to school!

## PAC Meeting

Save the date! Our next [PAC meeting](#) is on Thursday, April 24th from 6 to 8 pm. This in-person meeting will be held in the PJ library. It will be a very informative night with a Q&A focussing on next year's PAC, including volunteering, fundraising, and legacy funds. We hope to see you there!

## Student Learning Survey Reminder

School District #45 is participating in the 2025 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province. Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Grade 4 and 7 students can complete the online Anonymous Student Learning Survey any time before 11:59 May 2nd, 2025, providing immediate results to the school and district.

## PAC Executive Openings

We urgently need parents to step into [key roles on the PAC](#) for the upcoming school year. Your involvement makes a big difference in creating a vibrant and supportive school community. If you've been thinking about getting more involved, now's the time! We are currently looking to fill the following positions:

1. Chair – help lead and represent our parent community. This role involves organizing meetings, preparing agendas, appointing committees, and being the PAC's voice in school and district activities.
2. Events and Fundraising Coordinator – help plan and coordinate PJ's events and fundraising efforts. This role involves organizing traditional school events, exploring new ideas, and working closely with the PAC executive, principal, volunteer coordinator, and sub-committees.
3. Communications (Whatsapp) – help keep parents in the loop by posting reminders, event updates, and announcements in the parents WhatsApp group.

If you're interested in taking over any of these important roles, please send us an email at [chair@ecolepjpac.ca](mailto:chair@ecolepjpac.ca) or [info@ecolepjpac.ca](mailto:info@ecolepjpac.ca)

## PJ Spirit Wear Donations Needed

As you tackle your spring cleaning, consider donating any gently used PJ Spirit Wear your child has outgrown. Our amazing parent volunteers will clean, sort, and resell the items to other PJ families – and 100% of proceeds will go to support PAC initiatives! Collection starts May 1 at the school office (just like our Santa's Workshop setup). Sales will be after school on June 12–13.

## Staff Appreciation Potluck

It's a beloved PJ tradition to show our appreciation to all the teachers and staff with a special National Teacher Day Lunch. This year's lunch will be on Thursday May 22, 2025 and it will be a multicultural theme. [Sign up here](#) if you would like to bring in your favourite cultural dish.

## superpowHER

Give your daughter a head start in confidence, leadership, and self-belief.

superpowHER: Rising Stars is a confidence-building leadership program for girls ages 10–13. In this engaging series, girls will explore what makes them unique, build their inner confidence + strengths, and connect with other rising stars. Through vision boards, power poses, and personal pledges, they'll leave standing taller, speaking stronger, and believing in themselves more deeply than ever. Spots are limited—give your daughter the gift of discovering her inner superpower!

Please [see here for more details](#) on what the three classes will cover.

When: 3:00–5:00pm (after school)  
Where: PJ  
When: May 13, 20, and 27  
What: \$125.00 total

Spaces are limited!

If you would like to speak to me about this opportunity, your daughter, your family situation, or if you are interested in registering, please reach out to me!

Mme Zielinski

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## 2025 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 7 at 8:00 AM. Elementary registration closes on May 9. Secondary registration closes on June 13.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or on the [Summer Learning Website](#).

## Registration is Open for the Following West Vancouver Schools Academy Programs:

Basketball: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/basketball/>

Field Hockey: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey/>

Soccer: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/soccer/>

Tennis: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/tennis/>

[The West Vancouver Schools Basketball Academy Assessments for all students currently in Grade 7 are on Thursday, April 24 from 3:30 to 5:00pm at West Van Secondary's main gym. To register, kindly complete a student information form via this link.](#)

## Extended Holidays

Please be reminded that any extended holidays are to be requested of the Principal, Mme Zielinski, for approval. Please email [tzielinski@wvschools.ca](mailto:tzielinski@wvschools.ca)

## Reporting Student Absences

Is your child sick? Have an appointment, or something happened and your child cannot be at school? Please email [paulinejohnson@wvschools.ca](mailto:paulinejohnson@wvschools.ca) with any and all of this information, merci.

## Important Dates

April 18	Good Friday – School closed
April 21	Easter Monday – School Closed
Apr 22	Earth Day – Wear Green
Apr 21–25	Earth Week – Walk, ride and roll to school

Please visit the West Vancouver School District website for all important dates for the remainder of this school year.

[Past E-Bulletins can be found here](#)

[2024/2025 Calendar](#)

[PJ 2024/2025 Year at a Glance](#)

## Community

[Community Connections and events information found through this link and updated weekly.](#)



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