

E-Bulletin October 9th, 2025



École Pauline Johnson School Website PAC website

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.

World Teachers' Day - PJ Thanks our Parents and PAC

PJ Staff would like to thank all those that brought treats and showed their gratitude to our Teachers for World Teachers' Day. Merci à tous! #PJproud

West Vancouver Schools Admissions

Admissions for the 2026/2027 school year begin on Wednesday October 15th at 8:00 am for all Kindergarten students and all Grade 1 -12 In-catchment students. Admissions for Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-District students opens on at 8:00am on Thursday, January 15th, 2025.

For more information about admissions processes, dates, guidelines, and information, please visit https://westvancouverschools.ca/admissions/ Please carefully read the information regarding documentation procedures before starting the application process.

Cross Country - final meet rescheduled

The final district cross country meet of the season has been rescheduled for Tuesday, October 14th at Ambleside, beginning by 3:45pm. Let's go PJ! Please note: there will be NO practice this Friday morning.

Construction Update

As work continues on the Early Learning and Childcare Centre, we anticipate some upcoming work to be done at the south end of the staff parking lot. There will be NO access to the south end of the lot on October 14th and 20th. (Note: these dates may be subject to change) Families are reminded to use the regular 'drop and go zones' on 22nd and Jefferson Avenue, or to park further away and walk in if you require in-person drop off.

School Photos – Available to order from Artona

Photos are available now to order online. Families are able to scan their QR codes to view their photos and order, or enter their access code on the Artona website: View and Order. All orders placed within 7 days of photo day will be shipped to the school free of charge. Any orders placed after this time will be shipped with retake day packages. If you do not have your QR code please fill out this form here: Don't Have Your Access Code? Photo retakes will be held on October 22nd. Please remember to send your original photo proof back with your child if they require retakes.

Important Dates 2025-2026 Year at a Glance

Thurs Oct 9 th	Learning Conferences (gr 1-7): Regular Dismissal
Mon Oct 13 th	Thanksgiving Holiday: School Closed
Oct 21-23	Grade 6 Outdoor School
Wed Oct 22 nd	Photo Retakes
Fri Oct 24 th	Provincial Pro-D Day: school not in session

PJPAC

Popsicle Friday

Popsicle Friday is back tomorrow, October 10! Bring \$2 and purchase a Rico & Lalo natural fruit popsicle under the covered area of the playground.

A big thank you to all the families who brought in treats for World Teachers' Day to celebrate our

World Teachers' Day – Thank You!

amazing teachers and staff at PJ. Your generosity and thoughtfulness were truly appreciated!

Danse des Monstres - Help Needed! Our spooky school dance is back on Thursday, October 31 and we need your help to make it

amazing! We're especially looking for donations or loans of large Halloween-themed inflatables to transform the space (donated items will also be kept for future Halloween dances). If you are lending an inflatable, please note that it must be picked up between 2:30-3:00 pm on October 31, as we can't store or hold items after the event. We're also looking for volunteers to help with set-up and take-down. If you are able to donate,

lend, or volunteer, please sign up <u>here</u>. Let's make this year's Danse des Monstres a frightfully fun success for the kids! Pitch in or Chip In – We Still Need Your Help!

Thank you to the families who have already signed up to help support PAC initiatives for our kids. Your support and contributions mean so much! If you haven't yet, there's still time to get involved.

hot lunch, classroom support, etc.). Choose a volunteer slot here.

Every family has two ways to give back this year: 1. Pitch In – Commit to 10 volunteer hours during the school year (help with events, fundraisers,

- 2. Chip In Prefer to give financially instead? Contribute \$100 per family to help fund the many programs and extras our PAC provides. To donate, simply log in to www.munchalunch.com,
- and select "Donate Now!" on the top menu next to Order Lunch. Your time, talents, or contributions directly enrich our kids' school experience — from community

best for your family, and let's make this another amazing year for our students! Sign up here.

events to classroom enhancements and so much more. Please choose the option that works

Vintage Spirit Wear Sale Thank you to everyone who has donated gently used spirit wear so far! Don't forget, the Vintage Spirit Wear Sale is happening next week on Wednesday, October 15 and Thursday, October 16, from 3:00-3:30 pm after school under the covered area. Every purchase supports PAC initiatives,

with 100% of proceeds going directly back to our school community. If you can help with the sale, please email Amee at amee.chande@gmail.com.

Community

DPAC Parent Meeting with Dr Molly Lawlor Equipping the Whole Child for Life - Monday October 20th 2025. Join us for an evening with Dr. Molly Lawlor-who

helps children and teens learn how to understand their feelings, build confidence and form healthy relationships. She is the lead author and Principal Scientific Advisor for MindUP—an evidence-based program that teaches kids how their brains work and gives them tools to manage emotions and thrive in school and life. For additional details and to register for the event, please click **HERE**.



Community Connections and events information found through this link and updated weekly.