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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.

Term 1 Learning Updates

Term 1 Learning Updates were posted to the MyEd BC Portal last Friday, November 28th. Families are asked to please take time to review these documents. A reminder, to download a copy for your records, as paper copies will not be supplied from the office.

Winter Weather

It's that time of year... rain, snow and cold temperatures are coming! This is a reminder as we head into winter that at PJ we go outside for recess and lunch every day, RAIN or SHINE. Students are outside for at least 40 minutes each day and we want to make sure they are warm and dry. Please ensure your child/ren come to school in appropriate waterproof clothing and footwear; A change of clothes including tops, bottoms, socks, and underpants is helpful to keep at school as well. It helps make our learning a lot more fun when we are dry, warm, and regulated!

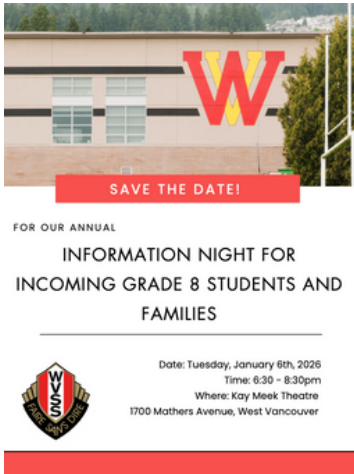
Winter Concerts

We are excited to have two upcoming winter concerts. Our Intermediate Concert, featuring our grade 6 and 7 bands and our choir (gr 5-7), will be held on Wednesday, December 10th at 5:30pm at Irwin Park Elementary (school gym). Details have been sent home to families who have students performing.

Our Primary students will once again host an (early) evening of song at the Kay Meek Theatre on Wednesday, December 17th beginning at 4:30pm. Details regarding tickets and show specifics will be sent home tomorrow to families who have students performing.

Grade 8 Information Nights

During the first week of January, both Sentinel and West Vancouver Secondary will host Grade 8 Information Nights for incoming students. Please see the attached flyers for more information: [Sentinel Jan 7](#), [WVSS Jan 6](#)



Important Dates

2025-2026 Year at a Glance

Wed Dec 10 th	Intermediate Band & Choir Concert <i>5:30pm at Irwin Park</i>
Wed Dec 17 th	Primary Winter Concert <i>4:30pm at Kay Meek</i>
Thurs Dec 18 th	Santa's Workshop
Fri Dec 19 th	Early Dismissal – last day before Winter Break <i>12:10pm primary, 12:20pm intermediate</i>

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Family Bingo Night – Thank You!

A big thank you to PJ parents Paige, Stephanie, and Karina for organizing our first [Family Bingo Night](#) event, to the best MC ever Rafael, to the parent volunteers who helped make it happen, and to all the PJ families who attended and made it such a success! Your support and community spirit are truly appreciated, and we can't wait to do it again!

Hot Chocolate Thursday Today

Join us after school today for some holiday cheer and hot chocolate! We'll be serving hot chocolate by donation outside the gym doors, south west corner of the school. A big thank you to lead Hot Cocoa Elf Aaliya for organizing this event and to all the parent volunteers who have signed up to help. We're so excited to have it back!

A Time-Honoured PJ Tradition

[Santa's Workshop](#) has been a beloved tradition at PJ for over a decade, bringing joy, community spirit and generosity to life within our school. Each year, our children have the special opportunity to choose gifts for their loved ones, practicing the true spirit of giving – kindness, thoughtfulness, and the magic that comes from thinking of others first.

This beautiful event is entirely community-supported, made possible through the generosity of our PJ families who donate gift-worthy items for children to “shop” from and bring home wrapped with love. Thank you for helping us keep this treasured tradition alive, and for creating magical memories our children will remember forever.

Santa's Workshop Needs Your Help

[Santa's Workshop](#) is just a couple weeks away on December 18, and we are in the final push for donations! Parents, please help us reach the finish line by bringing in all NEW, like-new (CLEAN), or UNOPENED items ASAP! If you can kindly pre-clean the items before bringing them in, it saves our volunteers a lot of time and effort, especially during these final 2 weeks.

We will be accepting donations outside the exterior gym doors (near the parking lot) before and after school every day until December 16. Thank you for helping create a magical gift-giving experience for EVERY child!

We are especially in need of parent and teen gifts. Here are some donation item ideas:

- Self-Care & Beauty: unopened toiletries (makeup, skincare, bath products, fancy soaps, and hand creams), new hair accessories (scrunchies, claw clips), individually packaged face masks.
- Home & Décor: picture frames, small plants/succulents, candles, diffusers, tabletop décor, small signs, small kitchen gadgets & accessories
- Sports & Outdoors: water bottles, travel mugs, NEW accessories (hats, gloves, scarves, socks, slippers), sports accessories, balls, jump ropes, sunglasses
- Food & Treats: NEW boxed chocolates, cookies & treats, NEW boxes of tea & coffee, NEW honey, jam, specialty spreads, cute reusable containers/bento boxes
- Tech & Teen Favorites: earbuds, phone chargers, pop sockets, phone stands, LED string lights/mini room décor, photo clip string lights or frames
- Stationery & Creative: journals, notebooks, planners, stationery sets, pens, craft kits, diamond art, paint-by-number, puzzles, card games, board games
- Fashion & Accessories: simple jewelry, NEW pajamas/loungewear, NEW sock packs & slippers, small purses or wallets

We also still need parent volunteers to help with this event in various capacities, including donation management (collecting and sorting) and event day support (set up, decorating, wrapping, and clean up). Please sign up to volunteer for [donation management](#) and/or [event support](#).

Dundarave Christmas Tree

Our kindies have done a wonderful job crafting ornaments and decorating PJ's Christmas tree at the [Dundarave Festival of Light](#). Take a trip down to Dundarave beach and check it out. This annual tradition is funded by PJPAC and helps support a local charity.

Community

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

Physical Literacy

Please [see here](#) for more information on Physical Activity and Physical Literacy for Children and Youth ages 5-12. Every move counts!



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