

SCHOOL FEES PAYMENT IS NOW OPEN

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Thursday, November 29th 2018

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CALENDAR UPCOMING:

December

- 11 Collaboration Day (Grade 9's - Safeteen)
- 13-14 Senior Drama Festive Cabaret**
- 14 Term One Report Cards**
- 19 Winter Concert 7:00 p.m. Main Gym**
- 21 Early Dismissal - Last day of classes
- 22 Winter Break until next classes on Monday, January 7

January

- 7 School Re-opens
- 9 **PAC MEETING**
- 10 **Grade 7 Parent Information Evening**
- 15 Collaboration Day
- 22 **AP Information Night**
- 24 **Grad Semi-Formal**
- 25 Professional Day
- 29 Quarter 3 Begins for Grade 8
- 30 **Grade 8-11 Course Planning Night**

SCHOOL FEES NOW AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENT

School fees are now available for payment online with School Cash online. If you have any questions regarding school cash online or school fee payments, please contact Allison Carruthers at acarruthers@wvschools.ca.

School cash online link: <https://westvancouver.schoolcashionline.com/>

DECEMBER 3 - 14 12 DAYS 144 PAIRS OF PAJAMAS

The 8th Annual Pajama Drive for Admiral Seymour will kick off Dec.3rd and run until Dec.14th. We are raising money to buy a new pair of PJ's for each of the 144 students at Sir Admiral Seymour Elementary, an inner city school on the edge of the Downtown East Side. Too many of these kids are living in poverty. Please help us make sure all of them have a warm pair of pajamas to wear this winter. Let's show them we care.

Donations by cash or cheque (made out to Sentinel) can be made in participating classes or at the office.

Thank you in advance for supporting this important initiative!!

EXCHANGE TO JAPAN

Please see the attached information for the 2 month Japan Exchange opportunity!

YEARBOOKS

2018/2019 Yearbooks available online! This years \$40. This years and last years \$60 (while supplies last). You can pay at the accounting office or [here](#) with school cash online.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 2019 TRIP AND FUNDRAISER

ORGANIC FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Anyone look to drink great coffee AND support a worthy cause: DR Trip 2019 (Building homes for families experiencing extreme poverty) is currently selling Organic Fair Trade Coffee – order forms attached.

Two deadlines for ordering: Friday Nov 16 and Fri Dec 7.

Please *return order forms and Cheques payable to Sentinel Secondary School* – to the attention of Angie Higgs, NO LATER THAN 3PM ON THE DEADLINE DATE.

Thank you for your support. (Coffee will be available one week later)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 2019

Currently there are 6 spots left/available for our Trip next May (2019) to build homes in the Dominican Republic for families experiencing extreme poverty. The trip is open to Grade 11 and 12 students. Please contact Angie Higgs at ahiggs@wvschools.ca if you would like information about the trip.

HOLIDAY MARKET

Eagle Harbour Montessori will hold a HOLIDAY MARKET event on Thursday, November 29 between 2:30-6:30 pm at Eagle Harbour Montessori. See the attached flyer.

COSTA RICA SPRING 2019

Costa Rica: Join us on a tropical adventure to Costa Rica this Spring break 2019! Speak to Nicole Page-Newman for more information and take a look at the brochure on the Sentinel's website (under 2018-19 school trips at the bottom of the page). I look forward meeting you. Hasta pronto!

ANTARCTICA TRIP DECEMBER 2019

Antarctica Trip - Join us! **All details in the Google Classroom v9cthd**
Contacts: Dawn Armstrong darmstrong@wvschools.ca
Bryn Hammett bhammett@wvschools.ca

VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH INFORMATION

Grade 9 Immunizations at Sentinel will take place February 14, 2019

Vancouver Coastal Health Tip

- Immunizations are one of the biggest successes of modern medicine
- Immunizations prevented at least 10 million deaths, world-wide, between 2010 – 2015
- Immunizations are the safest and most effective way to prevent diseases and death
- Unimmunized children (and people) are at greater risk of getting a serious disease

VCH Immunization clinics:

To book an appointment with VCH immunization clinic or **TB TEST** please call 604-983-6700

VCH Immunization drop-in clinics:

Central Community Health Centre
132 West Esplanade, 6th floor
Drive
North Vancouver
Wednesdays
3-5:30pm (4-19 years)

West Community Health Centre
Main Floor – 2121 Marine

West Vancouver
Thursdays
2:30-4:00pm (4-19 years)

Need vaccination for an upcoming trip?

VCH Travel Clinic 604-736-9244
601 Broadway W, Vancouver

Lynn Valley Medical & Travel Clinic 604-988-5389
1200 Lynn Valley Rd, North Vancouver

Travel Medicine & Immunization Centre 604-681-5656
#203-1075 Marine Drive, North Vancouver

For more information on Immunizations please see links below:

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/sites/default/files/pdf/immunization-infants-children.pdf>

http://www.vch.ca/Locations-Services/result?res_id=1389

<http://www.vch.ca/public-health/communicable-diseases-immunizations/immunizations>

<https://immunizebc.ca/>

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/immunization-vaccines>

If you have any questions or need more information on VCH health services and resources please contact your school nurse fara.lambing@vch.ca

GRAD PHOTOS

Grad photos at Artona are by appointment from November 22nd to 25th. Contact [Artona](#) directly to book your appointment.

ONLINE REPORT CARDS

Sentinel will be moving to the online Parent Portal to communicate student learning. Report cards for terms 1 and 2 will be accessible online. **USER NAMES AND PASSWORDS WERE EMAILED OUT LAST FRIDAY. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO LOG INTO TO THE BC MvEd FAMILY PORTAL TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE SITE BEFORE REPORT CARDS COME OUT ON DECEMBER 13.** If you have any problems contact dmoroz@wvschools.ca.

WEATHER CLOSURES

As we near the end of November, the possibility of winter weather is upon us. Please be reminded:

Our School District endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall. Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and is based on the safety of students. We aim to communicate any decision to close schools by 6:00 am

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

TRAFFIC AT SENTINEL SECONDARY

WE STILL HAVE A FEW PARENTS DROPPING OFF STUDENTS IN THE UPPER LOT OR STOPPING DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL. IT ONLY TAKES A FEW TO GRIND TRAFFIC TO A HALT.



SCHOOL MESSENGER

The School Messenger will primarily be used to let parents know if their child is absent from class. When the teacher marks the student absent without a prior phone call, he/she will be marked unexcused in the computer and School Messenger will call or email the parents.

SENTINEL'S COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

Sentinel School counsellors are teachers with knowledge of the developmental needs of students as well as an understanding of the pressures encountered while progressing through school. This places the counsellors in a position to:

- a. offer developmental and preventative programmes to students in educational, personal, and vocational areas, and
- b. provide a resource for teachers and parents to help create conditions that facilitate learning.

Since educational, vocational, and personal counselling are interrelated, all counselling is concerned with the whole individual and is, therefore, personal by nature.

The Counselling Team,

Lisa Ulinder (last names A-G)

Suzie McArthur (last names H-L)

Scott Derganc (last names M-SI)*

Kate Drew (last names Sm-Z)*

*Please note counselling loads have changed slightly this year

TEACHER AND STAFF COMMUNICATION

Every teacher and staff member at Sentinel is on email and may be reached by first initial last name example: jsmith@wvschools.ca

G.U.A.R.D.S.

Check out Sentinel's new value statements and more under the [G.U.A.R.D.S tab](#) on the Sentinel Website.

PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION

If your son(s) or daughter(s) does not primarily reside with you and you would like to receive a copy of their report card by email at each term end, please email Susan Leggatt, sleggatt@wvschools.ca, and provide/confirm your email address for inclusion in a distribution list.

ATHLETICS

For questions or information contact Mark Fenn or Lara Winstone at sentinelathletics@wvschools.ca or check out <http://www.sentinelathletics.ca>

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-2019

*Please note: Some dates are not yet set, or are subject to change.
Watch for updates in the newsletters.*

November

8 Thursday Parent-Teacher Interviews
12 **Monday** **Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday Observed**
19 **Monday** **Professional Day – School not in session**
22 – 25 Grad Portraits at Artona

December

14 Friday Term 1 Report Cards Issued
24 **Monday** **Winter Break (December 24 – January 4)**

January

7 Monday School Re-opens
25 **Friday** **Professional Day – School not in session**

February

1 Friday Interim Report Cards Issued
15 **Friday** **Reading Break – School not in session**
18 **Monday** **Family Day Statutory Holiday**

March

15 Friday Term 2 Report Cards Issued
18 **Monday** **Spring Break (March 18 – March 29)**

April

1 Monday School Re-opens
19 **Friday** **Good Friday Statutory Holiday**
22 **Monday** **Easter Monday Statutory Holiday**

May

17 **Friday** **Professional Day – School not in session**
20 **Monday** **Victoria Day Statutory Holiday**

June

16 Sunday Grad Banquet
20 **Thursday** **Last day of classes**
22 Saturday Commencement
27 Thursday Final Report Cards Issued
28 Friday School Year Ends/Administrative Day (Staff Only)

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