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Thursday, April 18th 2019

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CALENDAR UPCOMING:

April

- 1 School re-opens after Spring Break
- 15 Quarter 4 Begins (grade 8's)
- 19 Good Friday No School
- 22 Easter Monday No School
- 23 AP study weeks begin
- 23 Sentinel Stage Production "Seussical the Musical" opens
- 27 Sentinel Stage Production "Seussical the Musical" closes

May

- 6-17 AP EXAMS
- 17 Professional Development Day No Classes
- 20 Victoria Day No School
- 24/27 The Show! Fine Arts and Applied Skills Celebration
- 29 Collaboration Day

PURSUIT APPLICATIONS PAST DUE

Pursuit Applications were due prior to spring break. If your student wishes to apply to the Pursuit program and has not this must be done as soon as possible. Pursuit applications must be submitted every year regardless of whether or not you were in the program the previous year. https://westvancouverschools.ca/pursuit

WEST VANCOUVER PLACE FOR SPORT

Please see the attached joint letter of support from West Vancouver Schools and West Vancouver District regarding WVPFS.

PROVINCIAL MEASLES IMMUNIZATION CAMPAIGN

Please see the attached information from Vancouver Coastal Health.

AP COMPUTER SCIENCE REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

Help – Are you an Industry Computer Programmer or Software/App Developer?

Sentinel Secondary has been approved to partner with TEALS (Microsoft Philanthropies helping to bring Computer Science to every school).

We are happy to confirm that we will be offering the following course in the 2019-2020 school year:

 AP Computer Science A: A course that is taught in the Java Programming Language that will prepare students to take the college board's AP CS A exam in May of 2020

As a TEALS partner school, Sentinel Secondary needs to assist with **volunteer recruitment** from the computer science and software engineering fields to team-teach these courses with our teachers. Any volunteer who helps at Sentinel Secondary would only be required to do so once every two-week cycle, when the course meets during the 8:30-9:50 am first block.

Please help – if you or someone you know works in the computer science or software engineering fields and **would be interested** in making a difference in our students' future success, then please consider volunteering!

For the volunteer application and more details about the program, please visit http://www.tealsk12.org/volunteers/ and/or contact the BC Regional Manger Erica Huang at erica@tealsk12.org if you have any questions.

Or here at the school, send your questions to Lara Winstone (lwinstone@wvschools.ca). Also please see the attached letter.

MUSIC PROGRAM – UPCOMING EVENTS!

<u>Wednesday, April 24th</u> - Concert Choir, RnB Band, Sentinel Dance at Lighthouse Festival 1:45pm - 3:00pm, West Vancouver Community Centre

Thursday, April 25th - Whistler Band 8 and Orchestra Trip Parent Info Night 6:30pm - Music Room

All parents/students welcome to attend a review of the festival, itinerary, Code of Conduct and rooming list

Wednesday, May 1st - Sentinel Family of Schools Band Night

7:00pm, Kay Meek Theatre

Featuring: Sentinel Band 8, Concert Band, and grade 6 and 7 bands from Chartwell, Westcott, Cedardale and Pauline Johnson Elementary Schools

Free admission

May 2-5 - Whistler Con Brio Band 8 and Orchestra Trip

2:00pm Departure from Sentinel Secondary on Thursday, May 2 Students must bring carry-on size suitcase to Music Room by 8:15am

Tuesday, May 14th - Symphonic Bridges Concert

7:30pm, Kay Meek Theatre
Musicians to arrive by 5:00pm for rehearsal
Admission by Donation

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

The Numeracy Assessment is a graduation requirement as mandated by the BC Ministry of Education. This year all grade 11 students will write this assessment as well as any grade 12 students that have not yet completed the assessment. Lists of students writing times and locations have been posted in Math classrooms and in the Main Office.

SENTINEL CLASS OF 1969 50th REUNION!

This summer on Tuesday, August 20th it's reunion time! See the attachment for all of the information!

ARTISTS FOR KIDS - SUMMER VISUAL ARTS INTENSIVE JULY 2-6

See the attachment for more!

LIGHTHOUSE FESTIVAL 2019

West Vancouver Schools' annual *Lighthouse Festival of Creative and Performing Arts* is coming up soon. You're invited to the West Vancouver Community Centre and the Gleneagles Community Centre from April 18- 26 to celebrate the amazing creative and performing art from all 17 of our schools.

Please click on the attached poster for more details and for a complete school performance schedule, visit our website here.



APRIL 18-26

Join us to celebrate the amazing work of Kindergarten to Grade 12 students and staff at our 17 public schools.



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PERFORMANCES BY CHORAL, BAND, THEATRE AND DANCE STUDENTS

ON STAGE AT WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE

APRIL 23-25

ART GALLERY AND DISPLAYS BY VISUAL ARTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY STUDENTS

AT GLENEAGLES & WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRES | APRIL 18-26

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HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT, BRING THE WORLD TO YOUR HOME!

Each year, West Vancouver School District hosts students from over 20 countries in our International Programs. Many of these students stay with local families to fully experience Canadian culture and improve their English skills. Students attend Sentinel, Rockridge, and West Vancouver for either five or ten months each academic year.

We are looking for new host families for our students. If you would like to open your home to a visiting student, please visit our website for more information on the requirements, responsibilities and monthly compensation you can expect.

Many students end up making life- long friendships with their host families, hosting is a great way to expose your own children to other cultures.

Please visit our website at:

https://westvancouverschools.ca/international/for-families/

HARVEST PROJECT ON THE NORTH SHORE

Harvest Project on the North Shore: More than just a hand out – it's a hand up. The Harvest Project is a multi-faceted support network for people and families experiencing hardship and poverty on the North Shore.

This April we are collecting canned goods, toiletries and cooking items such as flour, oils, and spices – donation boxes can be found in various rooms, the office, and library.

You may also make a cash donation at the school office, or with Ms. Takahashi or Ms. Higgs. In addition to our monthly hard good drives, we will also be trying to raise \$2400 to support a family each year. No donation amount is too small.

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.schoolcashonline.com/

TRAFFIC AT SENTINEL SECONDARY

There has been a recent increase in parents dropping in the upper lot. Not only does this stop traffic but it is dangerous as students then need to cross the flow of traffic to get into the building. Please stick to the designated drop zones.



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)

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

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.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-2019

Please note: Some dates are not yet set, or are subject to change.

Watch for updates in the newsletters.

April

1 Monday School Re-opens

19 Friday Good Friday Statutory Holiday22 Monday Easter Monday Statutory Holiday

May

17	Friday	Professional Day – School not in session
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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)

ATHLETICS

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

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