



HOLLYBURN THIS WEEK: November 20th - 24th, 2023

The Week Ahead		
Monday	8:10AM GRADE 7 GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE in Hollyburn Gym	
	3-3:40PM GRADE 7 BOYS' VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE in Hollyburn Gym	
Tuesday	Boys' Volleyball Jamboree, 1:30pm - 5pm @ Rockridge	
Wednesday		
Thursday	Girls' Volleyball Jamboree, 1:30 - 5pm @ Rockridge	
Friday		
UPCOMING	See more details on our calendar at the end of this document	

Information, Request, Reminders		
HPAC MEETINGS	All parents are members of the Hollyburn Parent Advisory Council (HPAC). We encourage parents to attend meetings to meet other members of our community and learn how the PAC and Hollyburn staff work together to support the teaching and learning. The next meeting will be held Thursday , November 30th at 9am in our library. We are excited to welcome two Behaviour Specialists who work in West Vancouver Schools, Kristin Sickavish and Tara Rodas. They will be sharing tips, routines and strategies to help parents set their child up for success at school.	
STAFFING UPDATE	We are pleased to welcome a new member to our teaching staff. Alexis de la Torre will be working at Hollyburn two days a week (Wednesdays and Thursdays) supporting ELL Students (English Language Learners). She will be collaborating with Ms. Stephenson and Ms. Ilan in the delivery of our ELL program.	
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR	Our Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success this year and we thank all of our volunteers for making it such a rewarding experience for students! On Wednesday and Friday, each class came down to visit the Book Fair and parents had their own shopping opportunity Wednesday evening. Over \$5000 in books were sold at the Book Fair, resulting in many titles being purchased for the library and teachers' classrooms! Look for new books in our library as they get catalogued and processed for book borrowing over the next month. A huge THANK YOU goes out to our volunteer parent team (Yuka, Vika, Lei Lauri, Anya, Kyoko, Andrea, Miyuki, Windy, Fiona, Earlene, Meng,	





	Mahdokht) and Administrative Assistant, Ms Denman - we couldn't have done this Book Fair without all of your help!
	And special thanks to our student team for assisting with shopping details and calculations for our younger students.
WV DISTRICT FOOD SECURITY PLAN	As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare Feeding Futures Initiative, the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to the school principal (iduncan@wvschools.ca) if support is needed with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.
HOLIDAY PLANT SALE!	Our Hollyburn staff is hosting a Winter plant fundraiser to raise money for our ongoing school initiatives! Please support our school by purchasing beautiful poinsettias, fresh Christmas wreaths and Christmas planters. Whether it's to decorate your home for the holidays or to give as gifts, these plants are sure to brighten up any space! Please follow this link https://hollyburn.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home to place your order and pay online. Pickup will be on December 13 in the school gym between 2:30pm and 3:30pm. Thank you very much in advance for your support! Last day to order is November 24th.
HOLLYBURN IS NUT AWARE	Please note that a number of our students have severe allergies. We would ask that you DO NOT SEND NUTS OR PRODUCTS WITH NUTS to school as part of snack and lunch. Please see HERE for more information.
MYED PARENT PORTAL ACCESS	Our first term marks will be posted on the MyEd Parent Portal in December. If you are not familiar with this site, now is a good time to make sure you can access your account. HERE is a helpful link to access your Parent Portal. Or watch THIS VIDEO for step-by-step instructions. Please email cdenman@wvschools.ca if you need any assistance with your login or password.





SEAMLESS DAY	Here at Hollyburn we are lucky to have a specific before and after school program designed specifically to support our Kindergarten students. Ms. Dhalla and Ms. Law work alongside Ms. Wong and Ms. Ashford to support students in the classroom as well as provide learning opportunities in their before and after-school care. If you are interested to learn more about the program, the teachers, or what learning they are engaging in, please check out the website HERE.
K-3 MULTI-SPORT AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM	This excitement-filled program focuses on FUN, physical literacy and sport skill improvement through fun games and activities. Participants will move through a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, tennis, football, hockey, volleyball, handball, and more. Participants will be fully submerged in the world of sports and are bound to leave the day with a smile on their face, eager for the next day! NOTE: This is a non-competitive program and is suitable for athletes of any experience or level Dates: Wednesdays, January 17th - March 13th (9 Sessions) Times: 2:50-3:50pm Grades: K-3 Cost: \$180 + GST Registration: Sign Up Here
CHRISTMAS BUREAU A Family Services Program	Each year, the Christmas Bureau helps some of the North Shore's most vulnerable community members by providing grocery gift cards, toys and holiday gift baskets. The support the Bureau provides helps reduce some of the overwhelming stress of financial hardship that is often felt deeply during the holiday season. Need help? Do you know someone who may benefit from this giving program? To find out more about the program and what support is available, families, couples or individuals can call the Christmas Bureau at 604-984-9627 (Monday - Friday from 10am - 4pm) or visit here.
JUSTB4 EARLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITY	JustB4 is a preschool program for 4 year children who will be entering Kindergarten starting in September 2024. Click HERE for more information. This program is offered through the West Vancouver School District. Please contact WV School District Vice-Principal of Early Learning, Laine Anderson (landerson@wvschools.ca) to register.





DISTRICT INFORMATION SESSIONS	The following event is being offered for families and the community: Family Smart Workshop Series and Information Sessions: FamilySmart Monthly Online Events - Fall Series 2023.pdf

In the Community		
LANGUAGE CLASSES AT WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE	Spanish Classes, for Children and Adults, Mondays Beginner French, Tuesdays at 6pm: Parlez-vous français? Join our native French-speaking instructor and learn this beautiful language. https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/westvanrec/activity/search/detail/1 48260 Mandarin class for children, Wednesdays and Thursdays Farsi class, Thursdays at 6pm: Join the class to learn how to greet, introduce yourself, count and more! Open to all ages. https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/westvanrec/activity/search/detail/1 48029 Beginner Korean Class, Saturdays at 10am Do you like Korean music, TV series or movies? Why not learn Korean with our native Korean-speaking instructor. Open to all ages. https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/westvanrec/activity/search/detail/1 51630 Visit www.westvancouver.ca/learning for more information.	
WEST VANCOUVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY	The WVML November/December 2023 e-newsletter for families can be accessed here. As always, everything is free, open to all and no library card is required. Please check out the WVML website for more information.	
FALL PROGRAM REGISTRATION AT WV COMMUNITY CENTER AND GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTER NOW	Click here to view the programs and activities available Want to learn indigenous arts & culture, languages, science, Lego, Chess, visit https://westvancouver.ca/learning Music Program: https://westvancouver.ca/music Weekly Group & Private Music Lessons	





OPEN! Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers

Live! Music Series returns this September in the Atrium.

COMING UP!

Friday, November 24th

Last day to order Winter Plants

Thursday November 30th

- HPAC Meeting, 9:00-10:30am in the Library

Friday December 1st

- NSBIT (delayed start for students)

Monday December 4th

- Professional Development Day (school not in session for students)

Friday December 8th

- Family Friday - families invited into their child's class from 8:50-9:30am to participate in the learning. We are going to be focusing on math as it is part of our Framework for Enhancing Student Learning school goal.

Wednesday, December 13th

- Winter Plants pick up in gym 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Friday December 15th

- Report Cards to be posted on MyEd (parents can access through parent portal)

Monday December 18th

- Winter Concert @6:30pm in the Hollyburn Gym
- *tickets will be available on SchoolCashOnline in December*

Tuesday December 19th

- Winter Concert @5:30pm in the Hollyburn Gym
- *tickets will be available on SchoolCashOnline in December*

Friday December 22nd

- Last day of school before Winter Break