

HOLLYBURN THIS WEEK: February 19th - Feb 23rd, 2024




The Week Ahead

Monday	Family Day Holiday - School not in session
Tuesday	Basketball Game #5 vs. Pauline Johnson Girls @ Pauline Johnson Boys @ Hollyburn
Wednesday	
Thursday	Boys' Basketball Practice 8:00-8:45am Girls' Basketball Practice 3:00-3:30pm
Friday	
UPCOMING...	See more details on our calendar at the end of this document

Information, Request, Reminders

MINISTRY LEARNING SURVEY 2023-24	<p>The Provincial Student Learning Survey gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.</p> <p>The 2024 Student Learning Survey is now being administered to students in grades 4 and 7. We encourage all parents/guardians/caregivers, and school staff to also complete the survey. The results are important in identifying and celebrating current</p>
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	<p>strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province.</p> <p>The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet here. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link without an anonymous logon code by selecting the school district (West Vancouver) and school name (Hollyburn). Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the <i>Results</i> section. The e-survey site will be open until May 3rd.</p>
<p>LIBRARY GUESTS ENHANCE THE LEARNING AT HOLLYBURN</p> 	<p>Special guest readers, Ann Fu and Olya Kutsiuruba will be visiting our primary students in the library next week. Both Ann and Olya work at City Farmer's Compost Demonstration Garden in Vancouver. They spend lots of time cultivating plants and contemplating the beauty of our natural environment. When they heard about our school's multi-ethnic diversity and the focus on "Stories Connect us to Identity, Culture and Community", Ann and Olya wanted to share their favourite stories with us. Ann will read her own illustrated story in Mandarin and English; Olya will read from her favourite childhood stories in both Spanish and Ukrainian. We look forward to their visit next week!</p> <p>Ann Fu is a published artist and author and her work, including her book, "What is Momo Up To?" about her dog can be found on her website: https://afuarts.com. Families wishing to purchase an autographed book can contact Ann on her website.</p> <p>We are also excited to welcome Emmy nominated animation director and highly acclaimed author and illustrator Jeff Chiba Stearns to Hollyburn next Friday, February 23rd. He will be presenting his best-selling graphic novel ON BEING YUKIKO to our intermediate students and inspire imagination through an engaging drawing workshop. Following his presentation, students will have an opportunity to order personalized signed books with an original drawing by Jeff. Feel free to learn more about Jeff and his work by visiting his website at https://meditatingbunny.com.</p> <p>Last Friday, Gavian Whishaw of Blizzard Entertainment treated our grade 6/7s to a short Career presentation of what it's like to be an executive producer/vice president of a video game company. His advice to students was "stay in school"! MATH is logic and statistics; LITERACY is key to communicating instructions; TEAMWORK is essential for all projects; AND be open to reworking your plan as needed, because coding is constantly reworked with ITERATIONS. Thank you Gavian for an inspiring, relevant presentation and thank you Ms.</p>

	Gratton for organizing these visits and enhancing the learning at Hollyburn!
HOLLYBURN LIBRARY CORNER	Check HERE to see Ms Gratton's February book recommendations for Black Peoples History Month and Lunar New Year!
FESL UPDATE (Framework for Enhancing Student Learning)	Our school goal this year is to improve number sense and increase student ownership of Math learning from K-7. School goals typically span three years and Hollyburn has reached the midpoint of its journey. The document HERE provides highlights and data of Year Two. It is also posted on our school website.
PURDYS FUNDRAISER	<p>Want to know the most DELICIOUS way to support us? Order Purdys chocolate from our fundraiser! Pamphlets have been sent home.</p> <p>From now until February 26th, you can order Purdy's treats from our online campaign. Shop gifts for family, friends, and neighbours, AND yourself in one convenient place!</p> <p>What you'll need to order:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Our campaign number: 58622 2. Go to our fundraising website: https://fundraising.purdys.com/1571749-115920 3. Click 'Join Campaign' 4. Shop, shop, away! <p>Last day to order is February 26th, 2024. Order pick up is March 13th.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please email idelucrezia@wvschools.ca</p>
SKWXWU7MESH LANGUAGE LESSONS	 <p>In the coming months, all of our classes at Hollyburn will be learning Skwxwu7mesh Language Lessons with K'etximtn (Mr. Alroy Baker). K'etximtn is a Skwxwu7mesh elder, weaver, language holder, and knowledge keeper. We are so lucky to have him as part of our Hollyburn community and he will be running weekly sessions with classes from January until June.</p>
NORTH SHORE HARVEST PROJECT FOOD DRIVE	Ms. Gratton and our Grade 6/7 classes are organising a Food Drive for the North Shore Harvest Project.

	<p>Do you have an abundance of canned or boxed food in your cupboards after the holiday season? Please consider sending it this month as we are collecting for the North Shore Harvest Project.</p> <p>Consider doing a little extra shopping for the North Shore Harvest and donating over the next few weeks. Together, our school can show how much we care for the people in our community who are struggling this winter.</p>
<p>WVS 2024-2025 PREMIER ACADEMIES</p>	<p>The 2024-2025 Premier Academies are open for registration! Please visit https://westvancouver.schools.ca/programs/ for further information.</p> <p>Premier Academies: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Fencing, Field Hockey, Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball</p>
<p>WV DISTRICT FOOD SECURITY PLAN</p>	<p>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 (jduncan@wvschools.ca) if support is needed with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.</p>
<p>POP UP PLAY</p>	<p>Families with children ages 0-6 are invited to join WV Early Learning District Staff on Saturday March 2, 2024 for a Story Walk! Want to know more? Check out THIS POSTER for more information.</p>

In the Community	
<p>ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE / GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE</p>	<p>Spring Break Break camps – Music, Spanish or Korean Immersion, LEGO, Arts, Science/STEAM, Sports, Gymnastics, etc., access information here.</p> <p>Spring Break Intensive Group Classes Also Available for All Ages: Beginner French Intensive & Music Theory Intensive. Click here.</p> <p>Important Dates: Spring Program Registrations (April – June) General registration for Spring opens on Wednesday, March 6 Skating, Gymnastics, and Swimming registrations open on Wednesday, March 13</p>

	<p>Spring Learning Programs Interested in Indigenous beading or cedar weaving, learning Languages, STEAM, Chess, Lego? Adult Beginner French classes available: After-School Kids' Farsi, Korean, Mandarin classes are also available. Explore the Learning Program here.</p> <p>Browse your recreation activities and programs here.</p> <p>Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us: Click here.</p>
SAFE SCHOOLS PRESENTATIONS FOR PARENTS/ GUARDIANS/ CAREGIVERS	<p>The Ministry of Education and Child Care, in partnership with adolescent Clinical Psychologist, Dr. Hayley Watson, will be hosting free virtual sessions on youth substance use for parents/guardians, caregivers and caring adults. Dr. Watson will provide valuable insights, practical tips, and resources to equip participants with the tools needed to guide their children and youth toward making positive choices when it comes to substance use.</p> <p>Key Takeaways for Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances. ● Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs. ● Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances. ● Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home. <p>Participants must register in advance due to limited capacity. Session dates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● February 20th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST - Click here to Register ● February 22nd, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – Click here to Register ● February 28th, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – Click here to Register
SPRING BREAK SPORTS CAMP	<p>Private Coaching Company (PCC) is offering spring break camps for students ages 6-10. The camps will be held at Chartwell Elementary. Participants will move through a variety of sports and fun activities. Access flyer HERE for more information and registration details.</p>
REC CENTRE HAPPENINGS	<p>Winter and Spring Break camp information: Click here</p> <p>Browse our recreation activities and programs here</p> <p>Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us. Click here to learn about the programs and services designed to help newcomers feel welcome and connected to their new community.</p>
WV LITTLE	<p>West Vancouver Little League registration is open! Spring baseball for ages 5-16</p>

LEAGUE REGISTRATION	<p>We have girls only programs this year! https://wvll.ca/registration/</p>
AN AXIS THEATRE PRODUCTION - Frog Belly Rat Bone	<p>An Axis Theatre Production Target Audience: Pre-K - Grade 5 Saturday, April 6, 2024 3pm Grosvenor Theatre</p> <p>Incorporating beautifully handcrafted puppets and an original pop/rock musical score, Cementland comes to life as two enigmatic garbage collectors tell the story of a very special boy whose singular wish is to find a TREASURE!</p> <p>One day, the boy discovers a rusty tin box packed with colorful envelopes and an old wrinkled note: "Put my wondrous riches into the earth and enjoy." So the boy opens the envelope and tosses the contents - "hundreds of tiny gray specks" - onto the ground. Nothing happens! But night will come and the specks must be protected from junkyard thieves so the boy invents a guard... "he gathers wet smelly socks, moldy old pillow stuffing and scraggly wire bringing his creation, Frog Belly Rat Bone, to life."</p> <p>Frog Belly isn't the sharpest, or the quietest, but it works. In time, Cementland blooms with beautiful flowers and delicious vegetables, and the junk pile of dark grays yields to an explosion of colour. With some strategy, strong communication, a lot of patience and goodwill, we can all grow wondrous riches, transforming dark surroundings into something beautiful.</p> <p>Click HERE for more information and a link to purchase tickets.</p>

COMING UP!

Wednesday, February 28th

- Pink Shirt Day
- Girls Basketball Tournament at WVSS 1-4pm

Thursday, February 29th

- Boys Basketball Tournament at WVSS 1-4pm

Friday, March 1st

- NSBIT - delayed start for students (9:50am)
- ArtStarts Program - Dufflebag Theatre presents Robin Hood

March 4th-8th

- Tennis for ALL classes (2 sessions per student over the course of the week)

March 11th

- Math Festival at Hollyburn - parents are welcome to attend during their child's time slot. Watch for information closer to the date.

**Wednesday, March 13th**

- HPAC Meeting @9am in the school Library (Guests, Superintendent Kennedy and Ms. Rochfort with students who will be sharing information on our school numeracy goal)

Friday, March 15th

- Learning Updates for Term 2 Posted on MyEd Parent Portal

Upcoming PAC Meeting

- Thursday, April 11th @ 9am, school library (Guest, Cari Wilson, "Digital Citizenship")

See '[A Parents Guide to Digital Footprints](#)' Document (Translated into Farsi, Korean, and Chinese)

See '[10 Tips for Parenting Digital Natives](#)' Document (Translated into Farsi, Korean, and Chinese)