



HOLLYBURN THIS WEEK: April 29th-May3rd







The Week Ahed	The Week Ahead	
Monday	Ultimate Practice 3:00-3:30pm on Hollyburn Field	
Tuesday	Jeans Day (see information below)	
Wednesday		
Thursday	Ultimate Tournament 1-5pm at Hugo Ray Park (GO HUSKIES!)	
Friday	NSBIT (Delayed Start - 9:50am)	
UPCOMING	See more details on our calendar at the end of this document	





Information, Request, Reminders

TOMORROW: FAMILY FRIDAY!

A reminder that tomorrow is Family Friday! You are invited into your child's classroom for the first 30 minutes of the day to participate in the learning. See you there!



STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Mark your calendars!
May 8th & 9th are Student Led Conferences!

Student-Led Conferences provide a wonderful opportunity for our students to share their growth, learning experiences, and goals with their families. During these conferences, students will invite their families into the classroom to showcase their achievements and set goals for the remainder of the school year.

To facilitate scheduling, all teachers will email families with a sign-up schedule by Wednesday, May 1st. Please note that if the scheduled time or date does not work for your family, you have the flexibility to organize an alternative time and day directly with your child's teacher. Each conference will be approximately 30 minutes long.

Please keep an eye on your email for the sign-up schedule and booking instructions. If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to reach out to Ms. Lloyd directly (blloyd@wvschools.ca)

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you at the Student-Led Conferences!

BC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FUNDRAISER AND JEANS DAY

This April, Hollyburn School is helping kids at BC Children's Hospital get out of their hospital gowns and back into their jeans.

As the only children's hospital in the province, kids count on BC Children's for specialized care they often can't receive anywhere else. Although many strides have been made in improving children's health care, so much more needs to be done. You can make a big difference in the lives of children and families with serious and life-long childhood diseases across our province.

Please consider donating to our Hollyburn fundraising page <u>HERE.</u>
Students, staff, and families are invited to wear jeans on **Tuesday April 30th** as a celebration of our fundraising efforts.





Plus, your donation will be generously matched by Odlum Brown*, so
don't miss this chance to double your impact and help support us by
making a secure online donation to my fundraising page. Thank you for
your support!

* Gifts will be matched from April 3-30, up to a cumulative total of \$30,000.

CLASSROOM CONFIGURATION & MULTIAGE CLASSROOMS AT HOLLYBURN for SEPT 2024

As we head into the heart of our Spring Term, our minds start to turn to our classroom configuration for the coming school year. While Hollyburn's student registration numbers remain very strong with few remaining spaces, the pressure on classrooms district-wide in West Vancouver schools is also high. Students from around the Lower Mainland see WVSD as a leader in educational practice and student achievement. Therefore, to balance these demands we will once again be thinking creatively as we begin to configure our classrooms for the 24/25 school year. It has been common in previous years to carry combined classes at Hollyburn; this will once again be a reality at our school in September 2024. This is largely in line with the majority of classrooms in our school district. School administrative teams also must consider the potential changes to school enrolment that often occur over the summer with former students and their families moving and new families arriving. This often will delay final decisions around classroom placements until well after the first week of school in September.

We want to take this time, well before our next school year begins, to remind our parent stakeholders that combined classes are a very acceptable and sustainable arrangement for learning and are widely practiced throughout the Lower Mainland, our province, and our country. At a <u>DPAC meeting, Superintendent Kennedy</u> spoke to this reality and reassured parents at the meeting of the rationale behind combined or multi-aged classes and the inherent benefits. Hollyburn Elementary parents are encouraged to learn more about the background of <u>Combined Classes</u> as we prepare for the new school year this spring and fall.

PAC: "WE NEED YOU!"



Are you passionate about supporting our school community and making a difference in the lives of our students? If so, we invite you to consider joining the Hollyburn Parent Advisory Council (PAC)!





Currently, we have two important positions available within our PAC that
need to be filled: Treasurer and Hot Lunch Administrator. These roles are
crucial in ensuring the smooth operation of our PAC and the success of our
various initiatives and events.

If you have experience in financial management and are interested in taking on the role of Treasurer, or if you enjoy organizing and coordinating activities and would like to become our Hot Lunch Administrator, we would love to hear from you!

Even if you're unsure about the specific roles but are eager to contribute and learn more about the PAC, we encourage you to reach out. Your enthusiasm and commitment to our school community are invaluable, and there are many ways to get involved and make a difference.

To express your interest in either of these positions or to learn more about the PAC and how you can get involved, please email Sogol Zaimi at sogol.zaimi@gmail.com.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to be an integral part of our school's parent community. Together, we can continue to create a supportive and enriching environment for our children to thrive.

2024 SUMMER LEARNING WITH WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2024. Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday,



April 8 at 8:00AM. Elementary registration closes on May 10. Secondary registration closes on June 14.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (<u>elementary</u> or <u>secondary</u>) or on the <u>Summer Learning Website</u>.

FESL UPDATE (Framework for Enhancing Student Learning)

Hollyburn is interested in collecting parent voices as we continue working towards achievement of our school goal. Please follow the link below to add your input and contribute to Hollyburn's learning. The survey should take no longer than 5 minutes.



PARENT SURVEY

https://forms.office.com/r/dkMUykydKn

SKWXWU7MESH LANGUAGE



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





LESSONS	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.
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 (blloyd@wvschools.ca) if support is needed with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.

In the community		
CIRCLE OF SECURITY - PARENTING PROGRAM	Hollyburn Family Services is pleased to present Circle of Security - 8 Week Parenting Program. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information. Eligibility: Must be the parent/caregiver of a child between the ages of 0-5 and living on the North Shore/Bowen Island.	
WVSD PARENTING WORKSHOPS	SERIES #1 - <u>WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER</u> SERIES #2 - <u>EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND US</u>	
WV LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION	West Vancouver Little League registration is open! Spring baseball for ages 5-16 We have girls only programs this year! https://wvll.ca/registration/	
WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL CLUB SUMMER CAMPS	The WVBC is proud to be offering its 16th year of summer camps this July and August. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVS Teacher/ Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to http://www.wvbc.ca	

COMING UP!

Tuesday May 7th

- Spring Plant Fundraiser Delivery
- Families can pick up their order between 1:00-2:15pm from the Hollyburn Gym





Wednesday May 8th

- Student Led Conferences early dismissal at 11:10am
- No hot lunch today (due to early dismissal)

Thursday May 9th

- Student Led Conferences - early dismissal at 11:10am

Friday May 10th

- Kindergarten and Grade 6 Immunizations
- Universal Snack Program (moved from May 8th due to early dismissal days)
 - Snack will be yogurt and granola bars
- West Vancouver Youth Band Assembly

Thursday May 16th

- Student Release Drill (more information to come)

Friday May 17th

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

Monday May 20th

- Victoria Day Holiday (school not in session)

Wednesday May 22nd

- Div 6-9 on all day field trip to Sea-to-Sky Gondola

Thursday May 23rd

- Welcome to Kindergarten Event 1:30-2:30 in the Hollyburn Garden