

HOLLYBURN THIS WEEK: May 13th - 17th



The Week Ahead	
Monday	Grade 6/7 Track Practice on Hollyburn Field (8:00-8:40am)
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Grade 4/5 Track Practice on Hollyburn Field (8:00-8:40am)
Thursday	STUDENT RELEASE DRILL <i>(please see below for more details & refer to the memo sent out on Tuesday, May 7th)</i>
Friday	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION FOR STUDENTS
UPCOMING...	See more details on our calendar at the end of this document

Information, Request, Reminders

STUDENT RELEASE
(excerpt from the memo sent out on Tuesday, May 7th)

On **Thursday, May 16th, 2022**, our school will be conducting a student release exercise in conjunction with an earthquake drill. This exercise will allow us to practice and refine our procedures for efficiently and safely reuniting students with their parents or approved alternates in the event of an emergency.

Here are the details you need to know:

- Date and Time: Thursday, May 16th, 2022, after 1:30 PM.
- Location: The gymnasium will serve as the Reception Centre and Parent Reunion / Student Release Station for the exercise.
- What to Bring: Please bring your photo ID (BC Driver's License) with you.

Procedures: Upon arrival, please report to the gym and follow the posted signs. There will be only one entrance and one exit.

1. Present your photo ID and provide the name(s), teacher(s), and grade(s) of your child(ren).
2. Students identified for release will be escorted by a designated 'runner' to the parent reunion area.
3. Parents or approved alternates must wait in the designated reunion waiting area and may not wander through the school or gym.
4. It's crucial that all children are picked up by a parent or designated alternate listed on the Student Emergency Release Form completed at the beginning of the school year. You do not need to take time off work. If you are unable to pick up your child(ren) personally, please ensure your designated alternate is available.



Hollyburn Spring Plant Sale Success!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our recent Hollyburn Spring Plant Sale. Your purchases have made a significant impact, raising a total of \$365 for school initiatives! We truly appreciate your generosity and commitment to our community.

Special recognition goes to Ms. D in the office for her outstanding efforts in organizing and orchestrating this fundraiser. Her dedication and hard work were instrumental in making the event the resounding success that it was. Thank you, Ms. D, for your invaluable contribution!

As we celebrate the success of our plant sale, we invite you to share in the joy of your blooming flowers. We'd love to feature your vibrant blossoms in our weekly newsletter. Please send us a picture of your garden treasures to blloyd@wvschools.ca, and let's showcase the beauty of our community's green thumbs!

Thank you once again for your support and participation. Together, we're nurturing growth and blooming success at Hollyburn School.

<p>SEED LENDING LIBRARY</p>	<p><u>What it is:</u> For the next few weeks during class library time, Ms. Gratton will be advertising 'seeds' in the library, for kids to take home and plant, and then send/post to us (on Instagram) over the summer, so we can foster and support a school community of gardeners. We are encouraging families to take photos over the summer and bring into school in September, to display on a bulletin board! Kids are encouraged to collect and dry seeds when harvesting their raw vegetables, for future use and perhaps even contributing to the program. The Seed Lending Library will hopefully inspire ideas for the creation of our school garden over the coming months and years.</p> <p><u>How it works:</u> While visiting the library with their class, kids can choose to take an envelope of pre-portioned seeds (containing 3-6 seeds or so) home and plant them in containers or garden beds. Instructions are given when kids collect seeds. We will also be reading books about gardening, and planting some seeds in the library or classroom, to monitor growth of the seedlings. Kids will make connections between these activities and gardening at home. Kids can take the seedlings from the library/classroom home eventually too!</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Thinking in terms of cost and efficiency, we will start this program with the K-5 students, unless grade 6/7s express interest. This will also help with the 'ownership' and longevity of our future gardening program.</p> 
<p>BAND 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR</p>	<p>In Grade 6, students have the opportunity to join the Hollyburn Elementary Band Program and learn to play a symphonic band instrument. Learning to play a symphonic instrument is both challenging and rewarding. No music experience is necessary to join band. Mr. Feige will be teaching the Hollyburn Grade 6 band for 2024-2025. Elementary Band is an optional enrichment music program and there is a cost associated. Information went home to all Grade 5 students on Wednesday May 1st. Please see HERE for more information!</p> 
<p>CLASS PLACEMENT PARENT INPUT FORM</p>	<p>Over the coming months, Hollyburn teachers will configure students into classes for the 2024-2025 school year. You may complete this form to share information you feel should be considered when placing your child for the next school year. This form is optional.</p>

	<p>The class placement process is very complex as teachers consider the individual needs of students as well as group dynamics. When placing students, school personnel consider teachers' observations of individual needs and social dynamics, input from support staff, class size and composition (learning and behavior needs, gender), and learning styles. Parent feedback is valued and will be considered, but it is important for families to know that there are many other factors that affect the placement of students and teachers' observations drive placement decisions. If you hope that your child is placed with close peers, please note that we aim to place children with peers who they learn well with (feel connected to; support each other's learning; don't distract each other; and make good decisions together).</p> <p>If you have input, please ensure it is shared before this form closes on Friday, May 17, so that it can be taken into consideration.</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 (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.</p>
<p>2024 SUMMER LEARNING WITH WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs is now open.</p> <p>Elementary registration closes on May 10. Secondary registration closes on June 14.</p> <p>More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary) or on the Summer Learning Website.</p>

In the community	
WVSD PARENTING WORKSHOPS	SERIES #2 - EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND US
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
EVENT WITH VALERIE JEROME	Please join us for a discussion with author, educator, Olympian and advocate Valerie Jerome. Wednesday, May 22nd at 730pm Kay Meek Theatre. Your complimentary tickets can be reserved here https://kaymeek.com/events/valerie-0522

COMING UP!

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
- PAC Carnival Event (information to come from HPAC)

Thursday May 23rd

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

Tuesday, May 28th

- Grade 7 visit to WVSS

Wednesday, May 29th

- Grade 6/7 Field Meet at Wescot Elementary School 3:30-5:00pm

Thursday, May 30th

- Volunteer Tea in Hollyburn Garden 9:00-10:00am



- Grade 4/5 Field Meet at Westcot Elementary School 3:30-5:00pm

Friday, May 31st

- West Vancouver Community Culture Festival Day 1