Hollyburn This Week Highlights, Happenings, and What's Ahead



Principal's Message

This week brought strong learning and a renewed focus on positive behaviour across our school. As we move into December, excitement rises, and it becomes even more important for students to follow our Hollyburn Code of Conduct. We spent time this week reviewing expectations with all students. Your support at home strengthens this work and helps set every child up for success.

We focused on two key areas this week. Before school and during the school day. Before school

- Arrive on time so you can start the day calmly and prepared
- Dress for the weather and be ready for outdoor play in all conditions
- No devices should be in use
- Equipment is to be used only on the field or basketball court
- Use language and behaviour that help everyone feel safe

During school

- Show respect to staff and follow instructions
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Move calmly in hallways and shared spaces
- Take care of school equipment and shared materials
- Include others and use kind language
- Solve problems with words and ask an adult for help when needed

These reminders support a positive learning environment and help students stay ready for the exciting activities ahead in December. Thank you for your partnership and for reinforcing these expectations at home. We appreciate your continued support of our community.

This coming Wednesday is HPAC Movie Night. We are thrilled to welcome families into the gym for a showing of ELF. It is a fun way to come together as a community and celebrate the start of the winter season. I hope to see many of you there.







date

what is happening...

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Hollyburn Blue day
*wear anything Hollyburn blue

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PAC MOVIE NIGHT: ELF FOR MORE INFORMATION TURN TO PAGE 7

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NSBIT: School Starts at 9:50am

reminders:

- last day to order Purdy's chocolates is this Sunday (more details on page 4)
- remember to pack cutlery for your child's hot lunch

FOR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS CLICK HERE

HOLIDAY 2025 PURDYS CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER!

Looking for the sweetest way to support our school this holiday season?

From now until November 30, you can order delicious Purdys Chocolates through our online campaign — just in time for the holidays! This is a great opportunity to pick up gifts for family, friends, neighbours, teachers — or even yourself!

All proceeds will go directly toward supporting our school community. Thank you for helping make this fundraiser a success!

If you have any questions, please reach out to: jdelucrezia@wvschools.ca

CLICK HERE



How to Order:

- 1. Visit our campaign page:
- 2.<u>https://fundraising.purdys.com</u>/1926383-130664
- 3. Click "Join Campaign"
- 4.Use our campaign number: 58622
- 5. Start shopping!

Key Dates

Order Deadline: November 30, 2025 Pick-Up at School: December 11, 2025





FOR OUR ANNUAL

INFORMATION NIGHT FOR INCOMING GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



Date: Tuesday, January 6th, 2026

Time: 6:30 - 8:30pm

Where: Kay Meek Theatre

1700 Mathers Avenue, West Vancouver

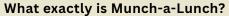
HPAC Connect

Hollyburn Parent Advisory Council



Holiday Movie Fundraiser Event

- Join us Wednesday December 3rd from 3-5 pm as we send off our old Gym Screen in style with a showing of the Holiday classic: Elf. (Rated PG, visit <u>www.commonsensemedia.org</u> for movie details)
- General admission is \$10 and includes 2 slices of pizza. Tickets available on: https://munchalunch.com/schools/hollyburn/
- All Husky family members welcome! Bring a blaket and get cozy!!!
- Please note that children must be accompanied by an adult.



• It's your one stop shop for all things HPAC Fundraising! Register here : https://munchalunch.com/schools/hollyburn/ to participate in Hot Lunch, Spirit Wear and more!



School Spirit Wear

- Our Husky hoodies and T-shirts are still available for purchase (in a limited number). Buy online at https://munchalunch.com/schools/hollyburn/, or by cash at the school office.
- Hoodies cost \$35 for youth & \$40 for adult sizes. All T-shirst are \$15.

Making the Season Bright with The Harvest Project

- Be on the look out for this upcoming holiday community project.
- Our Hollyburn Husky community will be collecting your generous donations of non-perishable food items to benefit north shore families in need of a helping hand.
- The holidays can be an especially hard time for some. Help us to support this most worthy of causes.
- Details to follow soon!







Call for Volunteers: Holiday Movie

- Your HPAC is looking for family member volunteers to help run the Holiday Movie on Dec 3rd. Various tasks available. Please email: hollyburnschoolpac@gmail.com for available volunteer opportunities and sign up today.
- Thank you for being a vital part of our supportive community and taking an actice role in the enrichment of our children's school experience.

2025/26 PAC Fundraising Goal

- Thanks to you, we are now half way to our main fundraising goal for the year!!!
- With your help, we can upgrade to a state-of-the-art system that enhances experiences and performances for all! Donate via School Cash online and receive a tax receipt.













6:00-7:30 pm December 3, 2025

POST-SECONDARY



CAREERS

Parentsare invitedto join ourPost-Secondary

and Careers evening, where our WVS expert panel will explore the world of higher education and career pathways. This event will provide you with valuable insights into program selection, application processes and how to best support your child's journey beyond high school.

Learn how to guide your child toward making informed decisions for their future. Don't miss this opportunity to gain the knowledge you need to help your child succeed!



Kay Meek
Studio Theatre
1700 Mathers Ave
West Vancouver



REGISTER AND SUBMIT YOUR POST-SECONDARY QUESTIONS

Be a HOLLYBURN HERO and

Help Us Upgrade to a New Gym A/V System.

All donations make a big difference, Thank you!



All donations of \$25 and over will receive tax receipts.



TOP DONORS WILL EARN A PLACE ON OUR NEW HOLLYBURN HEROES WALL OF APPRECIATION:

PLATINUM: OVER \$1000 GOLD: OVER \$500 SILVER: OVER \$250



Donations must be made through West Van School Cash Online:

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Caregivers' Corner

Hollyburn School Visitor and Pickup Protocols



FORGOTTEN ITEM FOR YOUR CHILD,
PLEASE LEAVE THE ITEM WITH THE
OFFICE STAFF.

All parents, caregivers, and visitors are to enter the school through the main entrance and report directly to the office upon arrival to sign in.

This is a safety measure and helps us track visitors in the building.

OFFICE PERSONNEL WILL HANDLE THE DELIVERY OF LUNCHES, COMPUTERS, OR IMPORTANT MESSAGES TO STUDENTS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:50 AM AND 2:50 PM. THIS ENSURES THAT INSTRUCTIONAL TIME IS NOT DISRUPTED.





A reminder to everyone that the most important learning happens at the beginning and end of each school day. These times are crucial for your child's success and growth. Please make every effort to arrive on time in the morning and ensure that your child is picked up at dismissal.

By following this, you'll help set your child up for the best possible learning experience.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Dressing for all Weather Conditions

Please ensure your child is dressed for all weather.

Our students go outside every day. They also take part in walking field trips and this sometimes means longer periods outdoors. Rain, wind, snow and cold are part of our season and students need to be prepared.

Fresh air supports learning, wellness and behaviour. Proper clothing helps students stay focused and comfortable.

Now is the time to check that your child has warm layers, a waterproof jacket, boots and a hat. Please also pack a full change of clothes in your child's backpack in case they get wet or slip outside. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled so we can return belongings quickly.

If your family needs support with winter wear, please reach out to me directly and confidentially at blloydewyschools.ca.







Hollyburn Elementary Calendar 2025 - 2026

FALL TERM

Monday, September 1st - Labour Day

Tuesday, September 2nd - School Opening - Grades 1-7 only (8:50am to 10:20am)

Wednesday, September 3rd - Grades 1-7 regular day (8:50 to 2:50pm)

Wednesday, September 3rd - Kindergarten Gradual Entry begins

Wednesday, September 24th - Hollyburn Ice Cream Social (3:15 to 4pm)

Friday, September 26th - Professional Development Day

Tuesday, September 30th - National Day of Reconciliation Stat Holiday

Friday, October 3rd - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Wednesday Oct 8th & Thursday Oct 9th - Fall Intake Conferences (dismissal at 11:10am)

Monday, October 13th - Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, October 24th - Professional Development Day

Friday, November 7th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Tuesday, November 11th - Remembrance Day Holiday

Monday, November 24th - Professional Development Day

Friday, December 5th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

WINTER TERM

Friday, December 19th - Last day before winter break (dismissal at 12:00pm)

December 22nd to January 2nd - Winter Break

Monday, January 5th - School Resumes (8:50am to 2:50pm)

Friday, January 9th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Friday, January 30th - Professional Development Day

Friday, February 6th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Friday, February 13th - Reading Break

Monday, February 16th - Family Day Holiday

Friday, March 6th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

March 16th to March 27th - Two Week Spring Break Vacation

SPRING TERM

Monday, March 30th - School Resumes (8:50am to 2:50pm)

Friday, April 3rd - Good Friday Holiday

Monday, April 6th - Easter Monday Holiday

Friday, April 10th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Tuesday April 21st & Wednesday April 22nd - Triad Conferences (dismissal at 11:10am)

Friday, May 1st - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Friday, May 15th - Professional Development Day

Monday, May 18th - Victoria Day Holiday

Friday, June 5th - Non-School Based Instructional Time (school starts at 9:50am)

Friday, June 12th - Sports Day (dismissal at 12:00pm)

Thursday, June 25th - Last Day of School (dismissal at 12:00pm)

