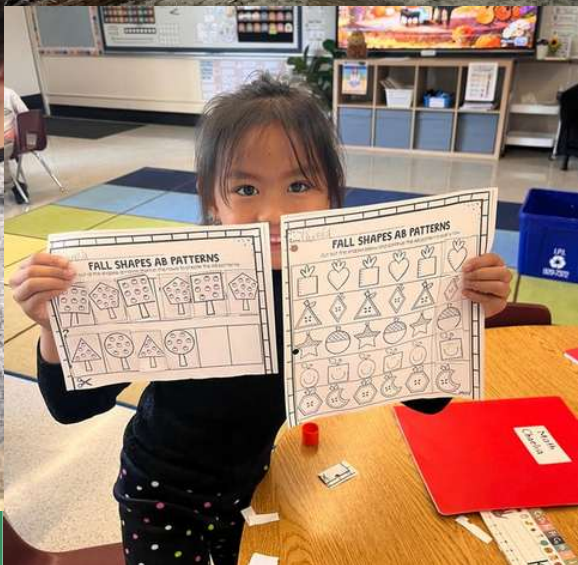




Hollyburn This Week

Celebrating Our Huskies and School Community



Looking Ahead to Next Week

Monday

FALL SAFETY BLITZ

8am Girls
VB PRACTICE

2:50 Boys
VB PRACTICE

Tuesday

Gr. 7 Volleyball
Lunch Time Practice

VOLLEYBALL GAME
girls @ Gleneagles
boys @ Hollyburn

Wednesday

2:50 Girls
VB Practice

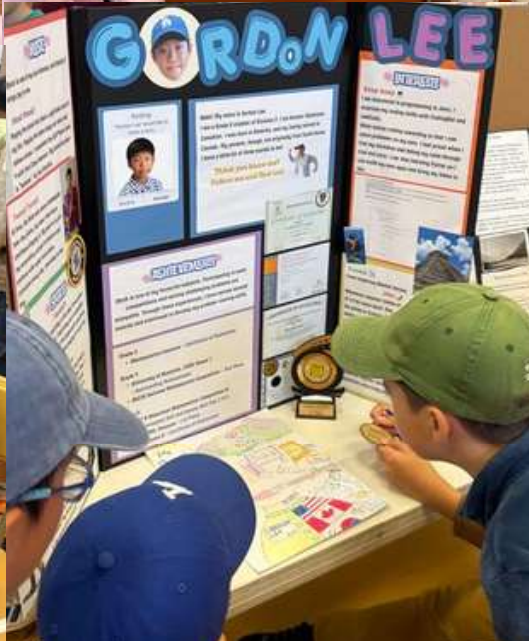
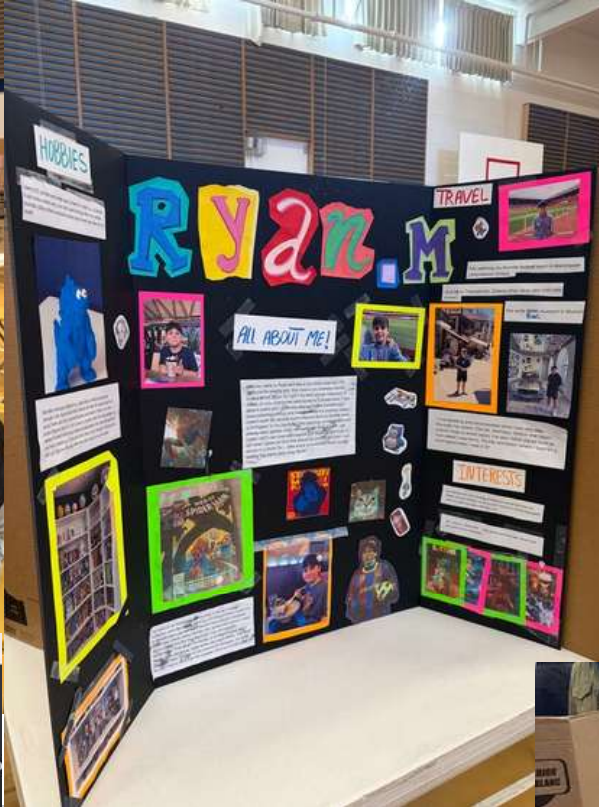
Thursday

2:50 Boys
VB Practice

Friday

**PROD
DAY
SCHOOL
NOT
IN
SESSION**

PHYSICAL LITERACY WORKSHOPS K - 7



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT: Meet the Seniors Event

Divisions 1 and 2 showcased their creativity with personalized poster boards, displaying unique items and demonstrating their skills. Check out the photos of these amazing moments. Great job, Divisions 1 and 2!



West Vancouver Schools Admissions



Admissions for the 2027/2028 school year began on Thursday, October 15, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. for:

- All Kindergarten students
- All Grade 1-12 in-catchment students



Admissions for Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-District students open at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 15, 2027.

For more information about admissions processes, dates, guidelines, and requirements, families should visit the [West Vancouver Schools admissions webpage](#).

Families are encouraged to carefully review the documentation requirements before beginning the application process.

SAFETY BLITZ

fall edition

**SAFETY MATTERS EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR.
THIS WEEK SERVES AS AN IMPORTANT REMINDER.**

During Safety Blitz, drivers, commuters, and pedestrians are expected to follow all safety expectations when arriving at Hollyburn. Arrival and dismissal routines protect children and families. They rely on patience and attention. School staff and community partners will be out in full force. Their role is to support safe habits and clear expectations.

OCTOBER 19TH & 20TH
HOLLYBURN ELEMENTARY

- Slow down.
- Follow posted signage.
- Use crosswalks.
- Respect drop off and pick up procedures.



**Safety starts with adult choices.
Thank you for helping keep Hollyburn safe every day.**

HALLOWEEN at HOLLYBURN

HALLOWEEN
FALLS ON A
SATURDAY
THIS YEAR!

To keep the focus on learning during the school day, we encourage students to save their full Halloween costumes for Saturday's celebrations. Students who would like to wear orange and black or a simple, minimal costume to school are welcome to do so. Costumes are **always optional**, and students are welcome to wear their regular clothing.

If your child plans to wear a costume to school, please keep the following guidelines in mind:



Costumes are optional.

Students may wear a minimal costume, Halloween colours, or regular clothing — whatever makes them feel comfortable.



Learning comes first.

Costumes must allow students to participate comfortably in classroom activities, physical education, and outdoor play.



Be culturally respectful.

Please avoid costumes that appropriate or misrepresent other cultures. [Click here](#) for thoughtful questions from UBC's Equity & Inclusion Office to help determine whether a costume is appropriate.



Be kind and inclusive.

Halloween should be fun for everyone. Please remind students to be respectful of others' costume choices, including those who choose not to dress up.



No face-covering masks.

Students must be able to see clearly, and staff must be able to identify all students.



No weapons or weapon-like accessories.



Dress for the weather.

Costumes should be comfortable, weather-appropriate, and suitable for wearing throughout the school day, including outdoors.



Choose safe footwear.

Shoes must be suitable for recess and regular school activities. Please avoid high heels, oversized shoes, or anything that could cause tripping.



Keep costumes school-appropriate.

Please choose outfits suitable for our school community of students aged 4–13.



Avoid scented products.

Hair sprays, coloured sprays, and other scented products may cause allergic reactions or sensitivities.



Arrive ready for the day.

Students should arrive wearing their chosen clothing or costume. Washrooms are not to be used for changing or updating costumes during the school day.



Think green!

Whenever possible, reuse or repurpose costume pieces to help reduce waste.



Leave Halloween candy at home

Candy can be distracting during the school day. Any candy brought to school may be held until the end of the day.



Planning classroom treats?

Please check with your child's teacher in advance and ensure any treats are allergy-aware and inclusive of all students.

Thank you

for helping us keep Halloween at Hollyburn safe, inclusive, and enjoyable for everyone.



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HALLOWEEN HOWL

DANCE & LAIR LOUNGE

A SPOOKTACULAR HPAC FUNDRAISER EVENT



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

PRIMARY:
12:20 – 12:40 PM

INTERMEDIATE:
12:40 – 1:00 PM

**PRIZES FOR TOP FUNDRAISING CLASSES
AND BEST COSTUMES!**

HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR CENTRAL GARDEN
ENHANCEMENT & HAVE A **HOWLING GOOD TIME.**

HALLOWEEN HOWL

DANCE & LAIR LOUNGE

A SPOOKTACULAR HPAC FUNDRAISER EVENT

Class prizes: for the TOP THREE fundraising classes:



A class Pizza Day + class recognition on the office wall bulletin board.



Hot Chocolate and cookies for the whole class + class recognition on office wall bulletin board.



Cookies for the whole class + class recognition on office wall bulletin board.

There will also be extra prizes for....



Costume winners will be determined by members of our amazing school staff and will be announced at the end of the day!

Be sure to return your completed forms and funds no later than 3 pm on Oct 29th to count towards class totals.

Students are invited to wear a costume, Halloween colours, or come as they are! Since the Howl is the day before Halloween, consider wearing an alternate costume and saving that extra-special Halloween costume for the big night!

*Please follow school rules on costume etiquette.
(ex. NO large props, NO replica weapons, NO masks that cover the entire face, avoid inflatable costumes, be culturally sensitive and respectful...)*



HPAC 2026-27 Fundraising Goal: Garden Enhancement

HPAC is pleased to announce that this year's fundraising goal, is to enhance our school garden, creating more usable space for students and staff to learn, play and connect.



"I would love new tables in our garden so my class can learn and work outside." - Emi

"I want our garden to be a place where we can learn, play, and spend time together." - Alex

"Our garden is at the heart of Hollyburn, and improving it would create a more beautiful and welcoming place for students, staff, and families to come together." - Vasili

"Adding harvest tables, better seating, and new planting would turn our garden into an outdoor classroom where students can learn, create, and work together." - Maddie

"this is my last year at Hollyburn, and improving our garden means leaving behind a space that younger students will learn from and enjoy for years to come." - Zoe

"I want to grow plants and flowers in our garden and learn how to take care of them." - Hawksley

"Our garden is in the heart of our school, and I want it to be a beautiful place for everyone at Hollyburn." - Bogdan

"I like having a quiet place outside where I can sit, take a break, and feel calm." - Jordan

"Improving our garden would give students a welcoming outdoor space to gather with friends, learn together, take a break, and feel connected to our school." - Kieran

"Our school is on the traditional and unceded territory of the Skwxwú7mesh Nation, and improving our garden with native plants would help us learn about, connect with, and care for the land around us." - Vasilia

HOLLYBURN PAC

HOT LUNCH

FUNDRAISER



WE RUN ON VOLUNTEER POWER!

**THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY A PART IN
ENHANCING STUDENT LIFE WHILE HELPING US KEEP
OUR HOT LUNCH PROGRAM RUNNING SMOOTHLY.**

We are looking for **two** dependable volunteers to join our team and help distribute Hollyburn's hot lunch meals.



Time commitment: < 1 hour a week.



Day: *Tuesdays* OR *Thursdays* (You choose one day and stick to it!).

How to Apply:

Email: Contact our Hot Lunch Coordinator at hollyburnhotlunch@hotmail.com

Online: Log into your [LunchUp.ca](https://lunchup.ca) family account page, click the "Volunteer Opportunity" button, and share your availability!



E-TRANSPORT:

Know Before You Buy or Ride

Not all small or electric transportation is treated the same.
Know the Micromobility rules for Personal Electric Vehicles in West Vancouver.

Vehicle Type	Where Can I Ride?	How Old Do I Need To Be?	Max Speed	License & Insurance?	Other Important Rules
 e-bike	Anywhere bicycles can ride	14+ for light e-bikes 16+ for standard e-bikes	Light bikes: 25 km/h Standard: 32 km/h	No license or insurance required	Must have fully operable pedals
 e-scooter	Anywhere bicycles can ride in West Van	16+	25 km/h	No license or insurance required	Solo riders only
 moped/LSM	Public Roads Only	16+	70 km/h	License & insurance required	BC licence plate required
 e-dirt bike	Not on roads, sidewalks, or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Not legal on public roads
 mini-motorcycle	Not on roads, sidewalks, or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Not legal on public roads



WEST VANCOUVER
POLICE

Conduct For Parents & Guardians

Expectations

1

Respectful Communication

Parents & guardians are expected to communicate respectfully and constructively with all members of the school community. This includes in person conversations, email, phone calls, etc.



2

Conduct on School Property

To help maintain a safe and welcoming school environment, parents & guardians must model appropriate behaviour for our students by using responsible language and actions. Adults will not approach or engage with another family's child to resolve conflicts, obtain information, or address concerns. Such matters should be directed to school staff or administration.

We ask that parents & guardians:

- Sign in upon arrival in the school
- Follow staff guidance and direction
- Refrain from entering classrooms without permission

3

Online Conduct

Parents & guardians must use digital communications—including email, social media, and school platforms—in a respectful and responsible way. This means not posting or sharing content that could harm others, such as comments that are unkind, misleading, or that share private information about students, families, or staff. Any online communication about members of the school community is expected to follow these same guidelines, no matter what platform is used

4

Privacy and Confidentiality

Parents & guardians must respect the privacy of all students, families, and staff and must not share personal or identifying information about others without their knowledge and consent. This includes photos and recordings on any school property.



5

Supporting the Resolution of Concerns

When concerns arise, parents & guardians must follow the established resolution process:

1. Always start by discussing the concern with the adult directly involved (start with the source)
2. Engage with respect and in good faith
3. Respect the privacy of all individuals involved
4. Work collaboratively to seek a resolution
5. Follow the above process before formal escalation



Important Reminder for All Parents and Guardians



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Before- and After-School Supervision

There is no supervision provided before or after school. Students are welcome to remain at school after dismissal only when they are directly supervised by a parent or guardian.

Direct supervision means:

- The parent or guardian is actively present and participating, not simply watching from a distance.
- The parent or guardian is not focused on a phone or other distraction.



Please remember

Students who do not have direct parent or guardian supervision are not permitted to remain on school property after dismissal. We kindly ask all families to uphold these expectations to support student safety.

- The parent or guardian is solely responsible for the child's well-being, safety, and conduct.
- Dogs and other pets should not be brought onto the school property during this time.

A caring reminder

We have seen some concerning behaviour over the past few weeks, so these expectations are especially important right now.

We love seeing our students active and enjoying the outdoors. This can continue when a parent or guardian is actively present and supervising.





important reminders

FROM THE HOLLYBURN OFFICE



Running late? Sick child?

**Please remember to
contact the office by
phone or email at
hollyburn@wvschools.ca
by 9am**

**HAVE YOU PACKED CUTLERY
FOR YOUR CHILD'S
HOT LUNCH?**

**Please remember to pack a
fork/spoon/chopstick so your child
can enjoy their hot lunch meal**





HOLLYBURN

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Confidential Food Security Support for Families

Every family deserves access to the food they need. West Vancouver School District has confidential support available for students and families experiencing food insecurity.

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.



How the Food Security Plan Can Help

The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity.



Need support with food-related costs?

Please email Principal Lloyd at blloyd@wvschools.ca or feedingfutures@wvschools.ca if you need support with food-related costs.



Confidential and Respectful Support

Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

