



Irwin Park Elementary School eBulletin

A Weekly Update of School Information For Parents and Guardians

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Student-Led Conferences 2022 - At School or at Home! May 11 & 12 (Early Dismissal)

As the second informal report of the school year, all parents are invited to participate in a Student Led Conference with your child(ren). Student Led Conferences are a wonderful opportunity for students to personally share and describe their learning. To accommodate personal schedules and comfort levels, this year parents will have a choice to complete the conference at home or at school during the afternoon of Wednesday (May 11) or Thursday (May 12) – students will be dismissed one hour early both days to accommodate these conferences at school. Please follow these instructions to choose the method you prefer:

- **AT HOME:** Please email your child's teacher to inform them that you will complete the students led conference at home. Teachers will then organize materials to be sent home with your child during the week of May 9. Those students will be asking parents to designate a time to sit with them at home to complete the conference and then provide feedback to their child and teacher.
- **AT SCHOOL:** [CLICK HERE](#) to book a time to come to your child's classroom to complete the student led conference. Please note that times are limited to the one hour following dismissal on those days.

Dismissal times on May 11 and 12 will be one hour early at 1:50 PM for Kindergarten to Grade 4 and 2:00 PM for Grades 5 to 7.

Grade 6 & 7 Irwin Park Band Program 2022/2023: Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open to join the Irwin Park Band Program by [CLICKING HERE](#). Irwin Park has a proud tradition of Band and all students currently in Grade 5 and their families are encouraged to consider this special music opportunity taught by Ms. King. Students learn a symphonic instrument perform at several concerts and special events through the year. Research about the benefits of studying music and playing a musical instrument are clear and parents can watch this [Ted Talk VIDEO](#) for some good information. An additional email with even more specific information will be sent home to Grade 5 families next week and Ms. King will be speaking to the students during Music class. Band is an extra-curricular enrichment program and there is a fee. For information about

band in general and choices of instruments students can learn to play please check out these resources:

- [This Video](#) was created by Long & McQuade using professional level musicians and band teachers to demonstrate and discuss instruments (including Ms. King!)
- This [Interactive PowerPoint](#) presentation created by Tom Lee Music also has great information about the instruments in the band – you will need to download the file and open in PowerPoint. It is possible to move through sections randomly.
- [This Video](#) is older from early in the pandemic but features former Irwin Park and WVSS Band students demonstrating instruments and talking about band from their perspective

Families of current Grade 6 Band students can also register for Grade 7 Band at the same link above. We hope students currently in Grade 6 Band will continue in the program next year and beyond at the secondary level - they have done so well this year! (Please note that there is no need to make instrument “choices” when registering for Grade 7 Band as it is expected students will continue on their current instrument.) Students currently in Grade 6 who were not in Band this year can also join the Grade 7 Band next year if they are interested – special arrangements will be made at the beginning of the year to incorporate Grade 7s starting as beginners in band. Please contact Mr. Daudlin (bdaudlin@wvschools.ca) or Ms. King (janine.king@wvschools.ca) if you have any questions.

Student Learning Survey 2022 for Parents of Grade 4 & 7 Students: Deadline Tomorrow!

Parents of Grade 4 & 7 students are invited to participate in the 2002 Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey online. All Grade 4 and 7 students will also complete the survey at school. Parents can simply [CLICK HERE](#) to access the survey – the Parent section is below the student area. Use the Direct Access option on the right by choosing the School District (45 West Vancouver) and school. It only takes a few minutes, and your feedback is greatly appreciated. The data collected through all responses will help the school set priorities and adjust learning and program goals. The deadline for completing surveys is Friday, April 29.

Bracelets for Ukraine: Fundraiser for the Red Cross

A group of caring students and their families (mainly grade ones) have been busy making beautiful bracelets in support of the Red Cross Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Appeal. Bracelets will be for sale afterschool on Friday, May 6 (2:50 – 3:30 pm) outside near the office (or in the undercover area if raining). Each bracelet is for sale by donation (\$2 minimum but more is appreciated). Once you donate, stop by the Selfie Station for a photo (Families will be responsible for their own photo taking). Thank you for sharing your love and support! [Support for Ukraine.pdf](#)

District Track & Field Season is about to begin!

The District Track and Field season is coming up soon – and things are a little different this year! There will be a Track and Field Meet on Thursday, June 9 at SWANGARD STADIUM. This meet will include both running (relays) and field events (shot put and long jump). The Irwin Park team is getting organized and permission slips have gone home with interested students in Grade 4 to 7 this week. Please return permission slips by Wednesday, May 4. Practices begin on May 12. If you have any questions, please email Irwin Park’s Head Coach Mr. Hamelin (ghamelin@wvschools.ca).

HOT LUNCH: Open for Orders

The [MunchALunch website](#) is open for hot lunch orders to June. Lunch orders are delivered to students at the school on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The [website will remain open](#) so parents can place orders **up to 5 days** prior to lunch day (e.g. Friday lunch orders close Sunday evening. Also, orders can also be customized for each delivery day (example: cheese pizza April 14 and pepperoni April 21). Orders are made directly through the [MunchALunch website](#). Be sure to order individually for each day you would like your child(ren) to receive a delivered lunch. IMPORTANT NOTE: PLEASE SEND CUTLERY AND CHOPSTICKS TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD AS NEEDED. Please email ippac@wvschools.ca with any questions.

Irwin Park Physical Literacy Survey for Families

As we are nearing the end of our third year with our 'Framework for Enhancing Student Learning' focused on developing Physical literacy, we are seeking parent feedback and reflections to help us reflect on our journey. You are invited to complete our 10 question survey. If you have more than one child, you may complete this survey multiple times (once for each child) or one time reflecting all of your children. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Anderson (landerson@wvschools.ca). Thank you for taking the time to share your reflections with our school team. Access the survey [HERE](#), survey will be open until May 11.

Physical Literacy: Monthly Challenge

There are only a few more days left in April! We challenge all families to participate in the "22 in 2022" Challenge. April is the perfect month to be extra active as the weather continues to improve. To participate in the "22 in 2022" challenge, simply count movement minutes and record in 20 minute increments. The goal is to move for 20 minutes 22 times each month. As we are only a few days away from May, the NEW record sheet (PDF) is attached. Once your child moves a total of 440 minutes, send the monthly recording sheet to Ms. Anderson (landerson@wvschools.ca) so we can celebrate your child's dedication to physical literacy. Keep moving, Panthers! [22 in 2022 May.pdf](#)

2022 Summer Learning with West Vancouver Schools: Registration Now Open

West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during the summer of 2022. Registration is now open. More information can be found on the attached flyers and on the [Summer Learning Website](#). [Summer-Learning-Secondary-Overview-April-2022.pdf](#) [Summer-Learning-Elementary-Overview-2022.pdf](#)

West Vancouver Schools Premier Soccer Academy On-Field Open House & Parent Information: Tuesday, May 3

The West Vancouver Schools Premier Soccer Academy is hosting a FREE Open House ON-FIELD session for interested students on Tuesday, May 3 from 1:30 to 3:00 PM at Ambleside Turf Field D. Students in Grades 7 who want to improve their soccer skills are encouraged to consider this opportunity and experience first-hand a session by the NEW top-level coaches from the UBC and SFU soccer programs and a soccer specialist from Calgary, Alberta. Come and experience the district's new format for the Soccer Academy. In addition, an Information Session for parents (and

students) will be held VIRTUALLY on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7 PM. To register for the FREE on-field session and/or the Parent Information Session please go to: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/soccer>. *Important: if students currently in Grade 7 are interested but not able to attend the Open House afternoon training session for any reason, parents are to register online and then contact Diane Nelson, Director of Instruction dnelson@wvschools.ca. Accommodations for this are available.

West Vancouver Schools Premier Field Hockey Academy On-Field Open House & Parent Information: Thursday, May 12

The West Vancouver Schools Premier Field Hockey Academy is hosting a FREE Open House ON-FIELD session for interested students (male and female) on Thursday, May 12 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM at Rutledge Field at Ambleside. The session will be led by WVFHC Technical Director and Canadian U18 Men's National Team Head Coach, Mr. Geoff Matthews. There will also be a short follow up Parent Information session at the field immediately after. To register for the FREE on-field session and/or the Parent Information Session please go <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/academies/field-hockey>. Please note that if students currently in Grade 7 are interested but not able to attend this session, parents can contact Diane Nelson, Director of Instruction dnelson@wvschools.ca to make alternate arrangements.

Upcoming Events

- May 11** Student Led Conferences – Early Dismissal
- May 12** Student Led Conferences – Early Dismissal
- May 20** Professional Day (Students not in session)
- May 23** Victoria Day Holiday (Schools closed)
- June 17** Spirit Day (Sports Day) – Early Dismissal

Useful Links

- [Daily Health Check](#)
- [Irwin Park School Website](#)
- [West Vancouver School District](#)
- [Irwin Park Munch a Lunch](#)
- [Student Admissions](#)
- [IPPG Facebook Group](#)

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