Irwin Park E-Bulletin – Friday November 21st

Important Dates:

- Fri Nov 21st: Gr 7 Bake Sale 3:00 4:00 pm Undercover Area at IP
- **Fri Nov 21**st: IPPG Family Movie Night Doors Open at 4:45 Tix Sold Out Limited Numbers Left at the Door
- **Wed Nov 26th**: Boys Gr 7 Volleyball Jamboree
- Wed Nov 27th: Girls Gr 7 Volleyball Jamboree
- Fri Dec 5th: Term 1 Learning Updates issued online via My ED Family Portal
- **Thurs Dec 11th**: Winter Concert Primary 1:30 2:30; Intermediate Bands & Choir 5:30 6:30 pm
- Fri Dec 12th: Santa's Workshop in the IP GYM

Important Links for Parents:

- WVSD Parent/Caregiver Digital Guides How to Keep Your Child Safe Online
- What is an appropriate age for a child to have a cell phone?
- Irwin Park School Calendar 25-26
- Munchalunch Hot lunch orders
- Term 1 After School Activities Registration

A Message from the Principal -

A sincere thank you to our outstanding Irwin Park Panther Parent Volunteers for making this year's Scholastic Book Fair such a success. Ms. Harrington, our Teacher-Librarian, was so appreciative of their energy and support, as her team welcomed students and families into the library throughout the week to explore a wonderful assortment of reading treasures. With over \$7,000 in sales, we are pleased to share that the proceeds will be reinvested directly into our library, allowing us to add even more current and engaging titles to support our students' love of reading and strengthen one of the most important lifelong skills. Another heartfelt thank you goes to our exceptional IPPG Event Committee for organizing this evening's IPPG Family Movie Night. We are very much looking forward to an enjoyable and successful community event.

Best of luck to our Grade 7 Boys' and Girls' Volleyball Teams as they travel to Rockridge Secondary next week to compete at the District Championships. We are proud of their hard work and teamwork—go Panthers!

And finally, we are reaching out to our parent community to consider getting involved with the IPPG, as our core group of volunteers is running thin. We have had several wonderful events already this year and want to ensure that we can sustain this positive energy throughout the months ahead. Research shows that student success and esteem increases when there is direct parent involvement at school, and we would love to hear how you might be able to lend a hand—whether it is an hour here or an hour there. **Your time, energy, and connection make a difference.**

Our Santa's Workshop event is fast approaching. Please consider how you can support this special tradition and consider signing up here!

E Bulletin Highlights:

IPPG Movie Night Fri Nov 21st

- Santa's Workshop Donations Needed Now!!
- How to ACCESS your Child's Term 1 Learning Update
- Winter Weather Protocols Pls Read.

M IPPG MOVIE NIGHT- Friday Nov 21st

Mark your calendars, Panthers! Our **IPPG Movie Night** is coming up on **Friday**, **November 21st**, from **4:45–7:45 p.m.** in the Irwin Park Gym!

Students voted and *Night at the Museum* won out narrowly! Join us for this fun and hilarious movie opportunity!

- Tickets: SOLD OUT Limited number available at the door (cash only) < Food: Preorder food options Orders CLOSED</p>
- → Don't miss this magical night of mystery and fun for all ages! K-3 students require a parent present; Gr 4-7 Supervision not provided.

Volunteer for Movie Night (Help with setup, cleanup, or pizza table!)

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15Qphn6QiBzCPi e_XX6rRMhG9kCdLs0U_sDEJcojVxs/edit?usp=sharing

A big thank-you to the **IPPG Event Team** for organizing this fun family fundraiser. All funds raised are reinvested into our school!

Santa's Workshop - Friday, December 12 (all day!)

Our beloved IP tradition is back! Students will shop for gently used treasures for their family in the school gym during school hours.

We need your help -- donate, Donate, DONATE!!!

- We need <u>enough items for the 410 students</u> to purchase anywhere between 3-4 <u>gifts</u>!
- Please donate gently used items (books, toys, jewelry, bags, cups, etc.)
- **Drop-off:** At the school's front doors or in the classrooms
- Please do NOT bring: Clothes, shoes, or opened and used products

More details coming soon—stay tuned!

Volunteer for Santa's Workshop (Assist with setup, sales, or cleanup!)
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1UraPQK6KV059mfGvjSkvZe4mTofw1pyCmvL9
oM_hEC8/edit?usp=sharing

Term One Learning Updates – Coming December 5th, 2025

On Friday, December 5th, 2025, students will receive their Term One Learning Update (Report Card). This document is delivered electronically via the MyEducation BC Family Portal.

For families who may be less familiar with the format, the Learning Update can sometimes be a bit challenging to interpret. To support parents in understanding how their child's progress is communicated, our **Vice Principal**, **Ms. Bleim**, has created two short and easy-to-follow videos:

"" Understanding the Proficiency Scale

Watch here

How to Read Your Child's Learning Update

Watch here

We encourage all parents to review these helpful resources. They explain how your child is assessed using the Ministry of Education Proficiency Scale and what each level of proficiency represents based on their learning to this point in the school year.

If you have questions about how to access your child's Learning Update through the MyEducation BC Family Portal, West Vancouver Schools has also created <u>updated</u> <u>quides and videos</u> to make the process easier.

Winter Weather Protocols: Pls Read!

With the weather forecast indicating a drop in temperature and the potential of flurries, we wanted to remind everyone in the Irwin Park Community of the West Vancouver Schools *Winter Weather* protocols.

West Vancouver Schools endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall (<u>Weather Closures and Procedures</u>). The Superintendent will make any decision to close schools based on the safety of students and staff. We aim to communicate any decision to close schools by 6:00 a.m.

As part of our ongoing effort to keep parents informed and aware of any school emergency, such as closure, power outages or severe weather or safety alerts we offer an SMS/Text Message option for all parents. Please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.

<u>Please be sure to check the school district website for the most current information</u> on school closures.

Thank you for your ongoing support and flexibility. Should you have any questions please reach out to our office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Aron Campbell

Principal

Irwin Park Elementary