Irwin Park E-Bulletin – Fri November 6th, 2026

Important Dates:

Tues Nov 11th	IP Remembrance Day Assembly – 11:20 am
Wed Nov 11th	Remembrance Day – Stat Holiday
Fri Nov 13th	Feel Good Friday – Wear Your IP Spirit Wear!
Mon Nov 16th -19th	Irwin Park Scholastic Book Fair
Tues Nov 17th	Gr 7 Volleyball vs Cedardale – Girls @ Home ; Boys Away
Wed Nov 25th	Boys Gr 7 Volleyball District Tournament @ Rockridge
Thurs Nov 26th	Girls Gr 7 Volleyball District Tournament @ Rockridge
Thurs Nov 26th	IPPG Family Bingo Night – Details to come
Fri Nov 27th	District Professional Development Day

Important Links for Parents :

- Irwin Park School Calendar 26-27
- Online Policy & Procedures Permission Form – 26-27 **– MUST BE COMPLETED ASAP**
- **Munchalunch – Registration will open soon! Stay tuned!**
- Term 1 After School Activities Registration

🏫 A Message from the Principal

A huge shout-out to our IPPG Event Planning Team and the many parent volunteers who made last Friday's **IPPG**

Halloween Dance Fundraiser such a memorable success! We are so grateful to all the families who joined and supported the event, as the funds raised directly enrich the school programs our students benefit from every day. If you missed any of the festivities—or want to relive the fun—be sure to check out our Halloween highlights on Instagram! Also a thank you to parents for their support of our 3 Treats for 3 Days expectation. All treats should remain at home moving forward. **Pls Note** – *All Kit Kats turned into the Principal have been sent to the lab for inspection and a timeline on return is in question at this time*.

This week and next, our classes have been spending meaningful time learning about the significance of **Remembrance Day**as we prepare for a very special student-led assembly on Tuesday. While seating space will be limited for guest attendees, we are honored to welcome several VIPs from the District of West Vancouver, as well as special guests and performers: Squamish Elder **Sah7plek Lanakila (Bob Baker),** piper **Mr. Alex Chisamore** from the J.P. Fell Pipe Band, and our own **IPIntermediate Choir**. This assembly is always a deeply moving occasion for our school.

As a reminder, there is **no school next Wednesday, Nov 11th** for Remembrance Day, and we encourage all our families to take time to pause, reflect, and honor the peace and freedom we share. And finally, please see the attached PDF from Vancouver Coastal Health to help families adapt safely to the darker mornings.

~ Mr. Campbell

E Bulletin Highlights This Week

1. *Wet Weather Reminder – A Parent Responsibility*
2. *Winter Musical – Save The Date!*
3. *Scholastic Book Fair is Coming! Mon Nov 16th to Thurs Nov 19th*
4. *IYP Program - Cyber-Security and AI Explorers – Gr 7 & 8 students*
5. *Inclusive Art Activities – Gleneagles Community Center*

🌧️ Wet Weather Reminder

As we move into the colder, wetter months, we ask for families' support in ensuring that all students come to school prepared for the weather.

- **Please remember that students are outside for recess and lunch breaks in all weather conditions unless there is a severe weather event.** While we do have some covered areas on school grounds, there is limited sheltered space available for the number of students we serve.

- **It is a parent/guardian responsibility to ensure that children arrive at school dressed appropriately for wet and cold conditions**. A day spent in damp clothing is uncomfortable, distracting, and not conducive to learning.
- **Please do not let your child leave home without a waterproof jacket.** Hoodies may provide warmth, but they quickly become soaked in the rain and do not offer adequate protection from wet weather.

By helping your child come to school prepared, you are supporting their comfort, health, and readiness to learn throughout the day. Thank you for partnering with us to set our students up for success during the fall and winter seasons.

Save the Date – Irwin Park Winter Musical – ELF – Performance Dates Set!

The cast is rehearsing and the stage is being set for Irwin Park's highly anticipated Winter Musical.. → ELF!!! We ask that families please save the dates below so you can join us in celebrating the incredible talents of all our K–7 students. This wonderful production is being brought to life through the guidance and creativity of Ms. King, our amazing music teacher, and Ms. Kozak, our school theatre guru!

Stay tuned for ticket information. Please note: Each family will be limited to 2 tickets based on gym capacity.

Evening Show: Wed Dec 9th – Time to be determined

Afternoon Matinee: Thurs Dec 10th – 1:15 pm

Scholastic Book Fair is Coming!

We are thrilled to welcome the Scholastic Book Fair back to our school! This is our library's largest fundraiser of the year, and every purchase helps support literacy initiatives across the school. Funds raised go directly back to our students through new library books, author visits, and resources that help foster a love of reading. This is a great opportunity for some early holiday shopping.

Information about the Book Fair was shared with students this week. Please look at the shopping schedule below.

Shopping Schedule

Students will have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair during their regular library block.

We are also excited to offer Family Shopping Times after school on Monday and Tuesday.

Monday, November 16

- Divisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 13 during library time
- Family Shopping: 2:50 pm to 3:30 pm

Tuesday, November 17

- Divisions 1, 2, 9, and 12 during library time
- Family Shopping: 2:50 pm to 3:30 pm

Thursday, November 19

- Divisions 10, 11, 14, and 15 during library time
- No after-school shopping available

Payment Information

- We accept cash and card payments.
- If paying by card, an adult must be present.

- ***If sending cash with your child, please place it in a labeled envelope, baggie, or small wallet. Small Bills only.**

Thank you for helping us bring the gift and joy of reading to our students. Every purchase makes a difference and helps strengthen our school library for all learners.
If you have any questions, please contact: Suzie Harrington (she/her) 📧 sxharrington@wvschools.ca
Happy reading! 📖 ✨

IYP Program - Cyber-Security and AI Explorers – Gr 7 & 8 students

West Vancouver Schools is excited to be running a new IYP program called "Cyber-Security and AI Explorers". Our pilot offering of this program is for West Vancouver School students who are currently in Grade 7 or 8. The program will begin on November 19th and will run on Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:45 until March 11th, 2027. There will be no sessions during Winter Break. The cost for this is $300.00.
Sessions will take place in one of the computer labs at West Van Secondary. Students will be taught by West Vancouver Schools teaching staff and mentored by senior students in the district's CS/QC/AI class. Students will explore concepts in **Artificial Intelligence, Cyber-Safety and Security** through activities, labs and games. There may be an opportunity for an optional hackathon that students can choose to participate in.

For more information or questions, contact Ms. Wilson at cwilson@wvschools.ca To register, please fill out this form. If interest is very high, a Tuesday afternoon session may be offered as well.

West Van Memorial Library - Family Information

There is great information in here from our friends at the West Vancouver Memorial Library!

WVML November and December Schedule

🤝 Parent & Family Opportunities

Support for you and your family as you navigate the Canadian school system

Impact North Shore's Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) host a variety of workshops for newcomers and community events. Newcomer workshops explore topics such as Canadian culture and systems, employment options, English language, parenting, health and so much more. The community events explore themes of immigrant inclusion, belonging, and anti-racism.

Check out the upcoming workshops and events:

https://impactnorthshore.ca/immigrant-service-centre/settlement-workers-in-schools/

Inclusive Art Exploration at Gleneagles Community Centre

Looking for a creative and welcoming community experience? Consider registering for the **Inclusive Art Exploration**, taking place at **Gleneagles Community Centre on November 18**. This registered program offers a supportive space for people of all ages and abilities to explore their creativity, connect with others, and enjoy hands-on art activities together.
We encourage interested families to visit the WVCC website for program details and registration information.

Aron Campbell
Principal
Irwin Park Elementary