



## LIONS BAY PRIMARY E-BULLETIN

February 18, 2021

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Dear Parents,

We hope that you all had a relaxing and healthy Family Day weekend. It sounds like the students had many fun adventures outside in the snow. In the upcoming weeks we will be participating in a variety of activities and workshops for students to learn about the history of the Squamish Nation.

**On February 25**, students will be guided through a virtual **Cedar Paddle Necklace Workshop** with the **Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre**. Students will design a cedar paddle necklace with pre-cut mini cedar paddles. They will decorate the necklace with beads and make it unique. The canoe paddle is a symbol of the journey and the spirit of unity and teamwork. We thank the PAC for helping to fund this opportunity.

Lions Bay will also be participating in West Vancouver's District wide Pink Day dance. Students have been practicing several times a week to learn the dance which we will perform on **Pink Day on February 24, 2020**. We will be sharing this virtually with parents. Remember to wear something pink that day!

Sincerely,

Natalie Mendes  
Vice Principal  
Lions Bay School

### Daily Health Check App

The **Daily Health Check App** can be downloaded directly to your iPhone and is an easy way to determine if your child should stay home from school if they are presenting with any symptoms. Please refer to the [BC Government Website](#) to download this app.

Please find information on West Vancouver Schools **Updated Health & Safety Guidelines for K - 12** on the link below.

[HERE](#)

## COVID-19

### When to get tested for COVID-19

Based on current evidence, some symptoms are more likely to be related to COVID-19 than others.

If you or your child have any of the symptoms listed below, follow the instructions.

SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Fever (above 38° C)</li><li>Chills</li><li>Cough</li><li>Loss of sense of smell or taste</li><li>Difficulty breathing</li></ul>	<p><b>1 or more of these symptoms:</b> Get tested and stay home.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sore throat</li><li>Loss of appetite</li><li>Headache</li><li>Body aches</li><li>Extreme fatigue or tiredness</li><li>Nausea or vomiting</li><li>Diarrhea</li></ul>	<p>If you have <b>1 symptom</b>: Stay home until you feel better.</p> <p><b>2 or more of these symptoms:</b> Stay home and wait 24 hours to see if you feel better. Get tested if not better after 24 hours.</p>

If you are a close contact\* of someone who has COVID-19 and have any of the symptoms listed above:  
Get tested and stay home.




Check your symptoms with the B.C. Self-Assessment Tool.

If you have any questions, or the symptoms get worse, contact your healthcare provider or call 8-1-1.

★ You will be notified if you are a close contact. For more information on close contacts, go to <http://www.bccdc.ca/covid19closecontacts>

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If you develop severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing (e.g. struggling to breathe or speaking in single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.



January 6, 2021

### Student-Led conferences – March 3

Student-led conferences will be held at home this year. As in past years, we will help students prepare a portfolio to share with their family. The role of the parent is to encourage, listen and allow your child to guide you through the process of sharing a snapshot of their learning. Some students take 20 minutes, and some students take longer.

This year the portfolio will be sent home on **Monday, March 1**. We will also have a digital slideshow of “A Day in the Life of a Lions Bay Student” that we will share with you closer to our **March 3** date. As planned, we will still have **early dismissal at 1:25 p.m. on March 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Should you have any questions, you may contact your child’s teacher to set up an online meeting on the afternoon of **March 3<sup>rd</sup>**.



**Thank you!**

Our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** was a success! Thank you to all families who participated, supporting our school while enhancing home libraries.



We examined snowflakes under our digital camera.



Examining plants wrapped in ice.



Snowflakes all look different up closely!





Finger knitting headbands.



### Annual PINK DAY event, Wednesday, February 24, 2020

Lions Bay School will be participating in the West Vancouver Schools Annual Pink Day Event on **Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**. All students are invited to get involved, dress in pink attire and get ready to dance and sing to this year's dance routine to the musical selection *Move Your Feet* by Junior Senior. This selection of music was chosen to signify optimism, resilience, and hope.

**Pink Shirt Day** is a day of recognition and awareness around the issue of bullying. **Wear pink** on this day to take a stand against bullying and show your support for this important issue.

**Please use the volunteer link in Munchalunch to volunteer to help with our program.** Volunteering is very simple; you pick up the food at either Osaka's Park Royal (Mondays at 11:30) or Pudgie's in Horseshoe Bay (Fridays at 12:00 noon) organize it by division (and apply labels for the Osaka order) then deliver it to the school in the covered area by the main doors. If you have any questions or concerns, **please contact Dawn Mitchell** ([dawncm@gmail.com](mailto:dawncm@gmail.com))

### No Such Thing as Bad Weather - Just Inappropriate Clothing – Reminder

At Lions Bay we go outside for recess and lunch every day, RAIN, SHINE or SNOW. We want to make sure students are warm and dry. Please ensure your child/ren come to school in appropriate waterproofed clothing including footwear hats and gloves. **Please also make sure to add a change of dry clothing to be kept at school.**

### Winter Weather and school closures

Our School District endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including days with accumulating snowfall.

Our District Superintendent Mr. Kennedy will determine if schools remain open on these days and information will be posted on the School District website. Please check this site if you are unsure as to the status of schools: <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/>

**School closures may also appear on several local news sources including:**

News 1130 <http://www.news1130.com/>

CKNW 98 <http://www.cknw.com/news/>

Global TV <http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/>

CBC <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia>

### School Calendar

Please follow this link for important dates for next <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/15/2020/06/2020-2021-Lions-Bay-School-Calendar-FINAL.pdf>

### PAC News

The next PAC meeting will be **Thursday, March 4th at 11:00 a.m.**

### Important Dates:

Wednesday, February 24	WVS Pink Day Event (wear a pink shirt)
Thursday, February 25	Cedar Paddle Necklace Workshop
Wednesday, March 3	Student-Led Conferences (Early dismissal at 1:25 pm)
Friday, March 12	Second Term Reports (CSL) Issued Digitally
March 13 - 28	Spring Break – School Closed
Monday, March 29	School Reopens for Term 3



## Ongoing register open for 2021-2022

Lions Bay Elementary School is now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year.

Please visit the [West Vancouver Schools website](https://www.westvancouver.ca/education) to register.

### ***A Natural Environment to Nurture Confident Leaders***

*Nestled in the coastal forest above Howe Sound, [Lions Bay School](#) provides a learning environment like no other. Students are given the unique opportunity to become globally conscious and locally active citizens through inquiry, environmental education, and place-based learning. Our multi-age classrooms foster leadership and social-emotional learning. Students thrive in a setting that encourages them to become independent learners who*

*build their education on a foundation of compassion, collaboration, and critical thinking. Do not hesitate to contact Vice Principal Natalie Mendes ([nmendes@wvschools.ca](mailto:nmendes@wvschools.ca)) to book a tour or find out more about this special place.*

**Join us for  
an important announcement  
on Tuesday, February 23**

The District of West Vancouver and West Vancouver Schools will “virtually unveil” the new name of the track at West Vancouver Secondary School at 10:30 a.m. via streaming video.



<https://wvpfs.org/track-name-reveal/>

*(the announcement will take place at this link at 10:30 a.m. on February 23, and the video will remain on the site after the announcement)*

**A story of perseverance and comebacks:  
Dedicating West Vancouver Secondary's track to one of the  
North Shore's best.**

The track at West Vancouver Secondary has served generations of students, athletes and the community for more than 72 years.

Fundraising continues so that the facility will be refurbished and updated to serve the community for decades to come.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT: <https://wvpfs.org/>



### **Host Families Needed.**

Apply now to welcome a student for the 2021/2022 school year. \$1,100 compensation per month

Always wondered what it would be like to host an international [student?](#)

Read how rewarding hosting is for Christine and her entire family:

"We are always blessed to have many wonderful students, seeing how our students grow from girls to young ladies is truly rewarding. We still got letters or messages from our students often. They [aren't](#) only homestay students to us, they're actually part of our family.

Our children and homestay students support and help each other in many ways - from learning different cultures to supporting each other's learning at the schools. Our children became more open-minded, understanding, and respecting people's differences and life choices.

Working with West Vancouver International Program is an amazing experience. Staff are supportive, friendly, caring, and helpful. Being an experienced homestay parent who worked with different homestay agents in past years, I honestly think hosting students is a positive experience, especially when you have great team to support you in many areas".

Christine

West Vancouver Schools host since 2014

Call Martina Brazeau for more information: 604.341.0501 or apply to host:

<https://westvancouver.schools.ca/international/for-families/>

## Pathways to Participation: Immigrant Leaders on the North Shore



Kulvir Mann

Ashraf (Ash) Amlani

Sara Mohamadhani

Felicia Zhu

Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Online via Zoom | 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**Are you interested in taking a more active role in your community?  
Is your Board, Council, or Committee looking for new voices?**

Join us to hear three inspiring panelists reflect on their experiences as immigrants in community leadership roles on the North Shore! Panelists include:

- Ashraf (Ash) Amlani, *Chair - District of North Vancouver's Community Services Advisory Committee & Appointed Member - Capilano University Board of Governors*
- Sara Mohamadhani, *Director - West Vancouver Community Foundation Board*
- Felicia Zhu, *Trustee - West Vancouver Memorial Library Board*

The event will be moderated by Kulvir Mann, *Trustee for the North Vancouver School District and the North Vancouver District Public Library.*

**Register here:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/139996245539>

This is a free event open to all community members. Please note that spaces are limited and registration is required.



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Registration is open for the spring season of West Vancouver Little League.  
Everyone is welcome - ages 5-16  
<https://wvll.ca/registration/#regular-season>



The WV Otters have swim club programs available for children K-12 at the Aquatic Centre.  
For information on joining the West Vancouver Otters Swim Club please contact Laura Fleury at  
[otters.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:otters.registrar@gmail.com)  
[WV Otters Website](#)



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