



LIONS BAY PRIMARY E-BULLETIN

September 7, 2023

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Dear Families,

It was wonderful to meet our new Kindergarten students and our new students who are in Grade One this week. Welcome to our new families we are so glad that you have joined us. Thank you so much to our PAC executive (Jill, Danielle, and Adam) for organizing the welcome tea for parents. It was such a nice morning to connect in our courtyard this morning.

We had several students start off the first week by sharing some funny and thought-provoking riddles. The students also had an opportunity to pick and eat fresh organic tomatoes from the garden.

We know our grade 3 students will be wonderful leaders and rise to the occasion of leading the children in events and routines. Our Grade 3 students are invited to join the Cross-Country running team this year and the first District Cross-Country meet starts on September 19th at Ambleside Field.

We hope to hike in the forest for our Terry Fox event, so please have your on-line forms filled out by September 13th!

Sincerely,
Ms. Natalie Mendes
Vice Principal
(Lions Bay School)

School Schedule

School hours are from 8:45 am – 2:45 pm. The Bell Schedule is as follows:

8:40 am	Welcoming Bell
8:45 am – 10:15 am	Instructional Time
10:15 am – 10:35 am	Recess
12:05 pm – 12:25 pm	Outside Play
12:25 pm – 12:48 pm	Lunch
12:48 pm – 2:45 pm	Instructional Time
2:45 pm	Dismissal

Online Forms

Parents **must** complete the **Online Policy & Procedures Consent forms** for each student, every school year. Please go to <https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Form/PandP> by **September 13th**. **Failure to complete this form may result in your child being unable to participate fully in classroom and school activities such as our Terry Fox run on September 20th.**

Planners and communication/home reading organizers

Students in Kindergarten are requested to purchase a communication/home reading organizer. This item will support the development of effective organizational skills and serve as a communication tool between the teacher and home. The cost of the organizer is \$8.00

Students in grades 1 through 3 are requested to purchase a school planner and a communication/home reading organizer. These items will support the development of effective organizational skills and serve as a communication tool between the teacher and home. The cost of the planner and organizer is \$18.00. *Please note the planners are delayed so the students will receive a temporary duotang until they arrive.

These items will be available through School Cash Online on Friday, September 9th. Students will receive their items upon receipt of payment. **Please complete your online purchase by Friday, September 16th.**

You may access School Cash Online at <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/>

Extra change of clothes

Please have your child bring a full extra change of clothes and shoes to be kept at school in case of an accident or wet weather. Please be sure to have your child's items properly labelled and in a large Ziplock bag.

School Emergency Forms

Next week all students will receive an envelope containing emergency forms which must be completed for each school year. Please return these completed forms to the school office by **Wednesday, September 13th**.

If your child will be late or absent, please email Ms. Atkinson aatkinson@wvschools.ca or call the office to let us know and have your child report to the office upon arrival.



2023 – 2024 School Calendars

Lions Bay School Calendar 2023 – 2024 is available on the Lions Bay School website under *our school tab/school news* [Here](#). Parents are asked to review the calendar and note dates for your personal reference.

The West Vancouver School District Calendar for 2023 – 2024 can be viewed [Here](#)

Kindergarten In-take Conferences

Our Kindergarten In-take conferences (only parents attend) will be held on **September 14th**

Parents will choose one 10-minute session for an in-take conference. Please click on

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FFy1irNmhogdlzJBFUV2NswTWIU36b6O0F7fB7xHbws/edit>

Cross Country

Our first district cross Country Running Meet will be held on **Tuesday, September 19th at 3:45 – 5:00 p.m.** at Ambleside Field (across from the concession stand). Permission forms will be sent home to all interested Grade 3 students. This is open to Grade 3 Lions Bay Students. We ask that participating students arrive at Ambleside no later than 3:30 p.m.

The next race dates are Tuesday, September 26th, and Tuesday October 3rd. All meets will be held at Ambleside Field.

The Terry Fox Event - Wednesday, September 20th at 9:00 a.m.

Our annual Terry Fox event will be led by our Grade Three students. Parents are welcome to attend both the assembly and the hike. ALL EMERGENCY FORMS BOTH PAPER AND ONLINE MUST BE COMPLETED AND HANDED INTO THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th IN ORDER TO HAVE THE EVENT OFF SCHOOL GROUNDS. We will require a few volunteers to assist with the hike. Please email nmendes@wvschools.ca if you can help. Students are encouraged to wear something red on this day to honour our local hero, Terry. We will be collecting twoonies or bills.

[Lions Bay Community School - Lions Bay, BC | Terry Fox School Run](#)

Meet the Teacher/Open House

This year we will be holding our **Meet the Teacher/Open House event on Wednesday, September 27th at 8:15 a.m.** Please join us to find out about our areas of Inquiry, curriculum, and our classroom expectations. More information to come.

Orange Shirt Day Event at Lions Bay will be on Friday, September 29th

Students are invited to wear an orange shirt or something with orange to promote awareness around residential schools and their impact on Indigenous communities in Canada.

Kindergarten to Grade 3 Parent Teacher Intake Conferences

Our Kindergarten to Grade 3 Parent Teacher Intake Conferences will be held on **Wednesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 5th**. Signup sheets will be available in the coming weeks.

School Cash Online

Our school district **uses School Cash Online** for all items requiring payment at school. Accounts need only be activated once and will be attached to the student for the duration of their time in the West Vancouver School District.

Detailed information regarding School cash Online will be sent home to all families who have NOT yet created an and a secure PIN number for your account set up will be emailed to you. Click below to go to School Cash Online.

<https://westvancouver.schoolcashionline.com/>

School Supplies

Supplies have been delivered and will be distributed to students once they have settled into their classrooms. If you have not yet purchased supplies, please contact Creative Packs directly:

<http://www.creativepacks.ca/>

Optional Accident Insurance for Families

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. There are many different voluntary plans that provide coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. Families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.



Our new school logo has been mounted by our WVSD facilities. Thank you to the PAC for this wonderful addition.



Thanks to our WVSD team for painting our panels.



Enjoying tomatoes from our garden.



Our forest mural is up for you to see actual sized local plants.



Story time with Mrs. B.

LB PAC NEWS

The first PAC meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 21 @ 6:00 p.m.** at the school.

Hot lunch

Hot lunch is almost ready to go! We hope to offer 3 days a week of hot lunches this year and a few homemade hot lunches as well. Expect an email in the next few days regarding this year's hot lunch program.

Spirit Wear

We are also very excited to offer Spirit wear this year! We should have the ordering form ready next week.

WhatsApp

Please join the Lions Bay School WhatsApp group. Join by scanning the QR code outside the K/1 class or with the following link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/I3aMIXzVxGqHU5rQJip3LK>

PAC Positions

PAC positions still open (please let Jill or Danielle know if you can fill a position):

- Secretary
- DPAC Representative
- Emergency Preparedness Coordinator



Dates To Remember

Thursday, September 14	Kindergarten In-take Conferences
Tuesday, September 19	First Cross-Country Meet at Ambleside 3:30 p.m. (Grade 3 Students)
Wednesday, September 20	Terry Fox Hike at 9:00 a.m.
Friday, September 22	Professional Development Day – Students Not in Session
Tuesday, September 26	Cross-Country Meet at Ambleside 3:30 p.m. (Grade 3 Students)
Wednesday, September 27	Meet the Teacher at 8:15 a.m.
Friday, September 29	Orange Shirt Day Event
Monday, October 2	Truth And Reconciliation Day – School Closed

Tuesday, October 3	Photo Day for All Students Cross-Country Meet at Ambleside 3:30 p.m. (Grade 3 Students)
Wednesday, October 4	Parent Teacher Intake Conferences (Early Dismissal at 12:15 pm)
Thursday, October 5	Parent Teacher Intake Conferences (Regular Dismissal at 2:45 pm)
Monday, October 9	Thanksgiving Holiday – School Closed
Friday, October 20	Provincial Professional Development Day – Students Not In Session

What To Do When Your Child Is Sick

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WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell:

1. The wellbeing of your child. Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
2. The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
3. The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
4. The protection of other children.

Please keep your child home if they:

- Have a fever.
- Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities.
- Have a suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox, measles).
- Is vomiting or has diarrhea. It is recommended that students be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Keep your child home until they are able to participate fully in normal school activities or as told by a health care provider.

Please let the school know your child's symptoms, as per the school's call back procedures.

If the school finds it necessary to send your child home because of illness, please make sure you have arranged an emergency contact if you are not available. [Inform your school of these arrangements.](#)

Where can I find more information?

- Health Link BC – By calling 8-1-1, you can speak to a health service navigator, who can help you find information and services, or connect you with a health professional. You can also find information online at <https://www.healthlinkbc.ca>
- Sneezes and Diseases – online at <https://sneezesdiseases.com/>
- BCCDC – online at [Schools \(bccdc.ca\)](https://www.bccdc.ca)
- VCH – online at [Children, youth & schools - Vancouver Coastal Health \(vch.ca\)](https://www.vch.ca)

Vancouver Coastal Health

Community News



KINDERGARTEN PICNIC

We invite you to bring a picnic blanket, your copy of the book 'I Hear You Forest' and join us for a fun afternoon!

FRIDAY 1:00 - 2:00 PM
15 SEPTEMBER 2023

Join Kallie George, author of the book and Shannon Ozirny from the WV Memorial Library as they walk us through the magical outdoors

on the grass field at 1735 Inglewood Avenue
West Vancouver

 WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS

The flyer features a light blue background with a string of colorful triangular bunting flags at the top. On the right side, there are two photographs: one showing a young girl reading a red book to a woman sitting on the ground, and another showing a child sitting on a large tree root reading a book. The text is arranged on the left side, with the title in pink, the invitation in black, the date and time in a dark blue banner, and the author information in italics. A pink location pin icon is placed next to the address, and the West Vancouver Schools logo is in the bottom right corner.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this e-bulletin, please contact Ms. Mendes at nmendes@wvschools.ca