



LIONS BAY PRIMARY E-BULLETIN

November 23, 2023

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Dear Families,

Gym Sense Gymnastics

This week the students were involved in sessions for a week with Gym Sense gymnastics. Students had the opportunity to move, stretch and balance on a variety of equipment. Over the week it was evident to observe a progression of skills. We are so grateful to Lucinda for her quality programme and to the PAC for generously funding the Gym Sense opportunity right here in our own gym.

Winter Concert - Thursday, December 14, 2023 - Matinee 1:30 p.m. and Evening 5:30 p.m.

Please save the date for our Winter Concert on December 14, 2023, Elfis and The Sleigh Riders!

A Rockin' Holiday Musical For Young Voices It's the holiday season at the North Pole, and Elfis the Elf is singin' and swingin' in style! All of the gang there loves to hear her play her guitar and perform. Santa Claus is particularly fond of Elfis and her music, and as a surprise, she decides to find a band for Elfis. The newly formed group is called, "Elfis and The Sleigh Riders." Alas, as it sometimes happens, not all goes well.

The members of The Sleigh Riders get into an argument over who is going to sing a solo. They are unable to resolve their differences, and the band splits up. Despite the best efforts of the elves, the reindeer, and even Santa and Mrs. Claus, the band members are too angry to even talk to each

other. Elfis intervenes with a poignant reminder of the value and importance of friendship and communication. The band members realize how foolish they have been to harbor anger against each other, and they make up. Once again, Elfis and The Sleigh Riders are back together and rockin' better than ever at the North Pole!

In this classic rock'n'roll rendition of elf meets band, elf loses band, elf gets band, the message is the nurturing of friendships.

Students will be coming home with the lines this week to practice. They should learn the line before so that they know when to come in. All children will be given lines. We will also send home links to videos for the children to practice the songs with actions as well as the lines.

Tickets will be \$5.00 each and children under the age of 4 are free.

Proceeds of the tickets will go to offset the cost of materials for the concert and any extra will go towards a charity.

Tickets will be available for purchase via School Cash Online starting December 1, 2023.

Sincerely,
Ms. Natalie Mendes
Vice Principal

Student Learning Updates

Student Learning Updates (report cards) for all students will be published on **December 8th**. In preparation for this, **parents are asked to log into their MyEd BC Family Portal account.**

The Family Portal is where all parents will go to access their child's Learning Update as well as Individual Student Plans (IEP's), ELL grades (AIP's) and other student data, which is part of our school database, MyEd BC. This is an important component of how our school delivers student information to parents and families and will be used all the way through high school. **It is important that parents set up this account and save a pdf copy of your child's reports as hard copies will not be sent home and will not be provided from the school office.**

New this year: all reports will remain in your Family Portal account until July 31st, 2024. This allows parents plenty of time to download and save a copy of their child(ren)'s report. If you are a new family to our school District, you will have received an email from the MyEd BC server on November 15th inviting you to initialize your Family Portal account - you may need to check your junk folder if you do not see an email in your inbox. Please follow the instructions in that email carefully to initialize the account by replacing the temporary password. **This must be done on a COMPUTER and will not work on a phone or tablet.**

Parents are asked to familiarize themselves with the Family Portal site: [MyEd BC Login](#)

Many helpful resources which can assist you with this process are located here: [WVS MyEd BC Family Portal Guides](#)

Please contact Ms. Atkinson in the school office if you need assistance aatkinson@wvschools.ca.

Student Admissions

Lions Bay is now accepting registration for September 2024 – registration is currently open for ALL Kindergarten students as well as in-catchment students entering grades 1 through 3. Registration for out of catchment students will open in mid-January.

Please visit the [West Vancouver Schools Admission Page](#) to submit your application and for details regarding documentation.

District Food Security Plan

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal (Mrs. Robyn Evans revans@wvschools.ca) if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.



Winter Weather

A reminder as we are heading into fall/winter that students will be outside for recess and lunch every day, rain or shine. Please ensure your child/ren come to school in appropriate waterproof clothing and footwear. It helps make our learning a lot more fun when we are dry, warm, and regulated!

Winter Weather School Closures

Our school District endeavours to keep schools open on regular instructional days, including those with accumulating snowfall ([Weather Closures and Procedures](#)). Any decision to close schools will be made by the Superintendent and will be based on the safety of students and staff. **Please check the [school district website](#) for the most current information on school closures and if it is a snowy day, remember to check for advisories/closures before heading to school!**

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

News 1130	http://www.news1130.com/
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Global TV	http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/
CBC	http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia



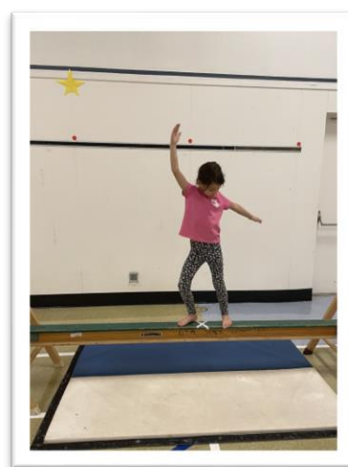
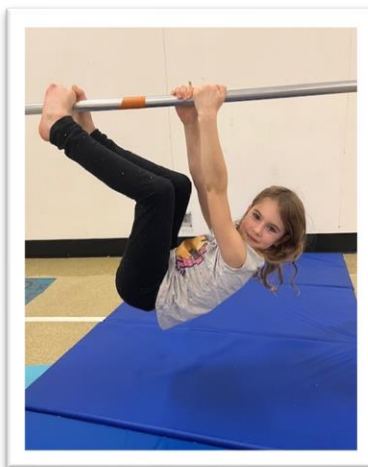
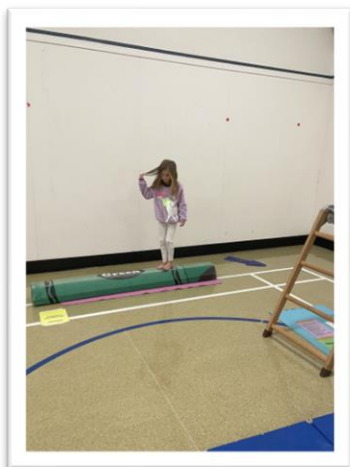
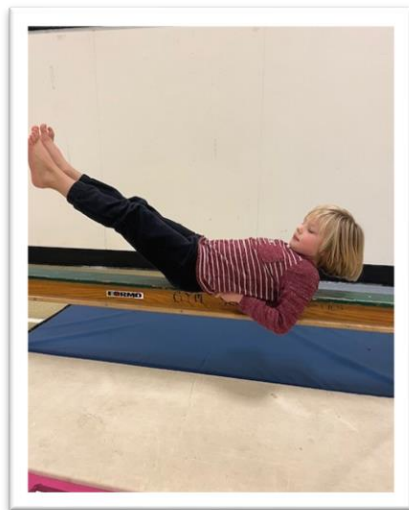
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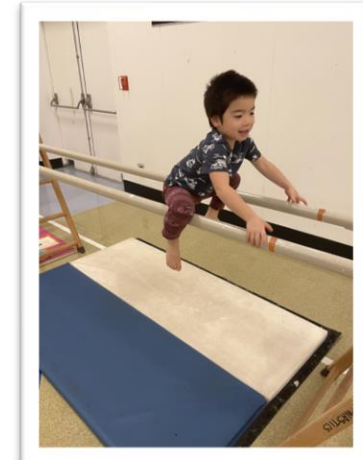
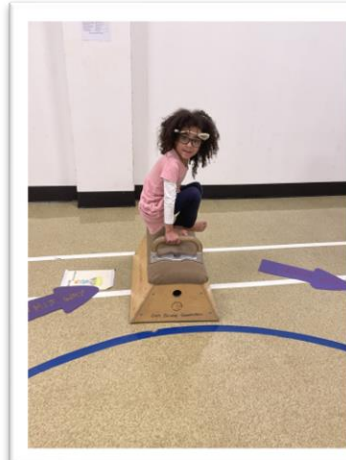
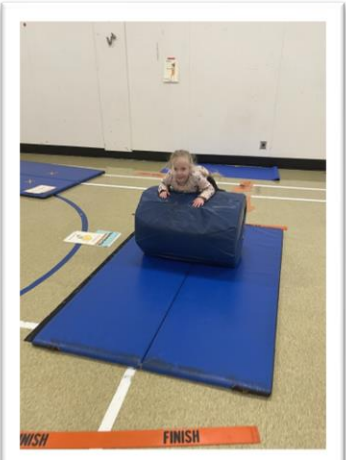
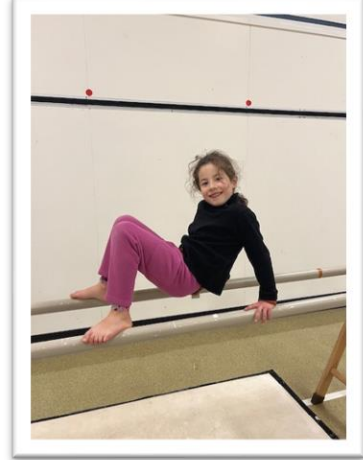
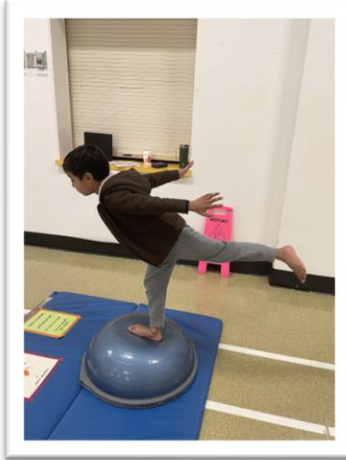
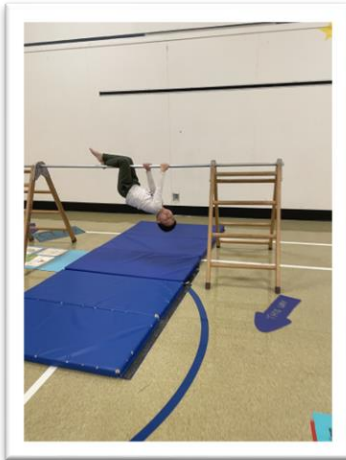
Scholastic books are a great way to build up home libraries, and they make great gifts. In addition, any purchases you make will help earn bonus books for our classroom! If you are interested in ordering some books, payments may be made on-line and please use **code: RC241553**. Please do not send in cash or cheques.

Daily Health Checks

Parents are asked to do daily health checks of children before sending them to school. As flu and cold season is upon us, we ask for your assistance to ensure that your child is healthy and well enough to participate in normal school activities. If your child is unwell, please report their absence to the school office by emailing aatkinson@wvschools.ca or calling (604) 981 – 8311.

Parents are also reminded that communicable diseases should be reported to your classroom teacher or to the school office. This would include lice, chicken pox, measles, impetigo, etc.





LB had a great time this week with Gym Sense Gymnastics!

LB PAC NEWS

The next PAC meeting will be held **TONIGHT!** Thursday, November 23 at 6:00 p.m. via Teams.

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 283 382 660 714

Passcode: P7ocjh

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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

Monday, November 20 to Friday, November 24	GymSense Week
Friday, December 1	Spirit Day – Stuffy Day
Monday, December 4	Professional Development Day – School Closed
Friday, December 8	Learning Updates Published on the family portal in MyED
Friday, December 22	Polar Express and PJ Day (please do not bring stuffies) Last Day of Classes Before Winter Vacation (Early Dismissal at 12:15 p.m.)
Monday, December 25 to Friday, January 5	Winter Vacation – School Closed
Monday, January 8	School re-opens

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](#)



The Incredible Years®



HOLLYBURN
Family Services

Incredible Years™ Parenting Program (IY) for Children Aged 2-7 Years

IY is an evidence-based early intervention program focused on strengthening parenting competencies and fostering parent involvement with their children.

This 15-week program includes weekly online group educational sessions, and individual phone support sessions in which caregivers have the opportunity to discuss specific challenges they experience at home, and practice what they learn in sessions. We ask that caregivers plan to attend all 15 sessions.

Goals of the Program:

- Strengthen parenting skills
- Improve children's social skills
- Improve children's school readiness and cooperation with teachers
- Prevent and treat behaviour problems

Upcoming Session: Winter 2024

When: Wednesday evenings, January 10 to April 17, 2024 (Note: the program will run during Spring Break, March 18, 2024 to April 1, 2024)

Time: 6:15-8:15pm

Where: Online through Zoom

Cost: Free

Eligibility: Residents of the North Shore with children aged 2-7 years old.

Registration: for more info or to be added to the waitlist, please contact Marlae Vermeer (Family Counsellor, Hollyburn Family Services): mvermeer@hollyburn.ca

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