



LIONS BAY PRIMARY ☰ E-BULLETIN

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December 7, 2023

Dear Families,

Teachers sent out a sample of your child's work related to the Core Competencies on December 1, 2023. This is a reflection and self-assessment of where your child is at in Creative Thinking. This sample of work is an important part of the reporting process to give parents an example of your child's ability to demonstrate their learning.

This Friday, December 8th, our first student Learning Updates of the school year will be shared with families through the MyEducation BC portal. As communicated last Spring, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has implemented a new [Learning Update Policy](#) which defines and provides direction for the ways our school will be communicating your child's learning. The goal of the Learning Updates is to provide personalized, descriptive feedback to effectively communicate with students, parents, and caregivers about where students are in their learning, the next steps, and how families and teachers can work together to support student growth. You can learn more in this [parent-friendly Ministry publication](#). Or by visiting:

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/reporting/resources-for-parents-and-caregivers>

In addition to receiving a 'Teacher Overall comment', students will receive a "proficiency descriptor" in each curricular area. It is important to understand what each of these descriptors mean.

The Provincial Proficiency Scale

If your child is in Grades K-9, you won't see letter grades on their report card. Instead, you will see information on where your child is on the Provincial Proficiency Scale. The scale uses the terms "Emerging," "Developing," "Proficient," and "Extending" to describe student learning. The scale maintains high standards for student learning.

Emerging	Developing	Proficient	Extending
Emerging means your child is beginning to understand something in an area of learning. They are still learning but may need more support to move ahead. Emerging doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Developing means your child understands some things in an area of learning but still has other areas to work on. Like Emerging, it doesn't mean your child is unsuccessful in this area.	Proficient is the goal for your child. It's also the goal for all students. When your child is Proficient, it means they fully understand the required learning. But it doesn't mean their learning stops.	Extending is when students show a deeper understanding. It's when your child is able to apply their learning in new and different ways. Extending is not the goal for all students in every area of learning.

If you have questions about your child's Learning Update, please reach out to the classroom teacher for further understanding about where your child is at with their learning.

MyEd BC Family Portal

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.

Sincerely,
Ms. Natalie Mendes
Vice Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and Child Care, we are sharing the survey information below to help inform the Province's [ChildCareBC](#) initiatives:

This is a friendly reminder to complete the 2023 School-Aged Child Care Demand Parent Survey by December 14 to help inform the Province's planning for future expansion of school age child care. Thank you to the parents who have already completed this survey. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

While we know school-aged child care is a vital service families rely on to ensure their children have a quality, affordable, and inclusive place to be during a parent's full work day, we do not yet have regional or provincial data to understand the demand.

By completing this survey, you can help the Province to better understand your community's needs for school-aged child care. The survey will take 10-15 minutes and the results will help inform future [ChildCareBC](#) initiatives.

To complete the survey, please follow this link:

<https://www.awinfosys.com/surveyfull3/minofed/main/SchoolAgeParents.asp?SchoolNumber=1169>

Please do not share the link with anyone else.

If you have any questions, please contact ChildCareBC.Engagement@gov.bc.ca. If you encounter any technical difficulties, please contact the web survey provider (AWIS) at support@awinfosys.com.

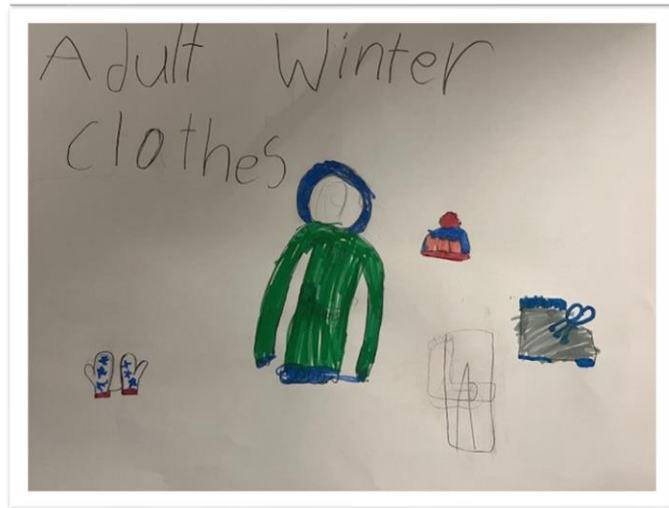
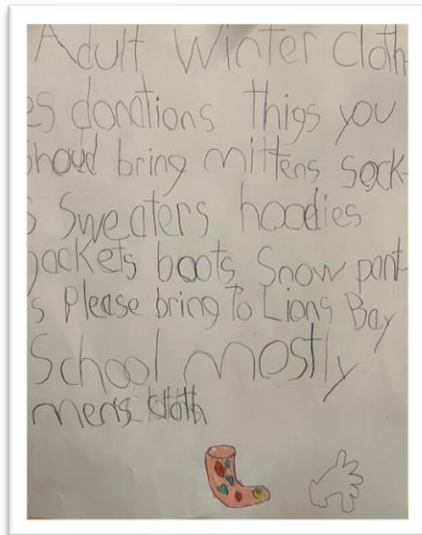
If you have already completed the survey, thank you and please disregard this note.

We greatly appreciate your input and thank you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,
Ministry of Education and Child Care

Grade 3 Fundraiser

Our Grade 3 students will be collecting donations of new or gently used warm winter wear (think: jackets, scarves, touques, mittens, blankets, and more!) as a leadership activity until December 14, 2023, in support of [Helping Hands](#). **Adult clothes only please.**



Winter Concert

Preparations for our Winter Concert are underway and we need your help! We have a regular school day on the day of the concert (December 14), with students being dismissed at 2:45pm, following our matinee performance. Please have your **child arrive for the evening concert, back at school, at 5:15 p.m. for the evening concert.** We will need parents to help apply 1 inch red circles to the Kindergarten students' cheeks and a brown circle on the noses of the Grade 1 students. If you are able to apply the make up to your own child before the concert this would be very helpful. We will need parents to also come at 5:15 to help. Please let Ms. Mendes know if you are able to help.

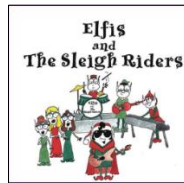
Costumes for K/1 students

If you have not already sent in your child's long sleeved shirt with your child's name labelled on it, please do so by tomorrow, Friday, December 8th.

Kindergarten students will need to wear a **long-sleeved** white or red or black top and dark bottoms.

Grade 1 students will need to wear a black or dark brown **long-sleeved shirt** and dark bottoms and have dark socks.

The PAC will be serving pizza at 5:00pm on Thursday, December 14 - Concert Night! To place an order please e-transfer \$2.50/slice to lionsbaypac45@gmail.com Deadline to order is noon on concert day.



Lions Bay School presents **Elfis and The Sleigh Riders** Thursday, December 14, 2023.
Matinee show @ 1:30 p.m. and Evening show @ 5:30 p.m. Tickets \$5.00 Children under 4 are free.

Tickets are available for purchase via School Cash Online.

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

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.



Hot Lunch Update

Mac & Cheese hot lunch has been changed from December 22nd to Dec 15th.



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/
CKNW 98	http://www.cknw.com/news/
Global TV	http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/
CBC	http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia

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.

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



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LB PAC NEWS

The next PAC meeting will be held **Thursday, February 8th at 6:00 p.m. via Teams.**



Dates To Remember

Friday, December 8	Learning Updates Published on the family portal in MyED
Thursday, December 14	Winter Concert: Elfis and the Sleigh Riders Matinee @ 1:30pm Evening performance @ 5:30pm
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](#)

Community Information

West Vancouver Little League registration is open!

Spring baseball for ages 5-16

We have girls only programs this year!

<https://wvll.ca/registration/>

Activewestvanrec

Let's Play Wheelchair Basketball

At WV rec centre

Drop ins welcome!

Ages 5-12

All equipment and wheelchairs are provided

Registration is [here](#)

West Vancouver

Winter Break camp registrations are now open:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities/camps>

Browse your recreation activities and programs here:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

<https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers>

Tonight at Rockridge!



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