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January 19, 2024

Dear Families,

#### Winter Weather

Well the snow finally came! Thank you to all families for adjusting your schedules due to the snow closures. We hope everyone kept safe. Your support and patience is appreciated. Please always refer to the school district website (Weather Closures and Procedures) as your first point of reference in anticipation of a school closure if you require confirmation.

#### 55 Baby Salmon Eggs Arrived at Lions Bay

This week 55 baby salmon eggs arrived at Lions Bay School. The students will help to take care of the eggs and watch them grow and move on to their next life cycle over the next few weeks.

#### **Travelling Planetarium to visit Lions Bay School**

The travelling planetarium visited Lions Bay School earlier this week on Tuesday, and dodged the snow! The children saw images of the moon and various constellations and they really enjoyed the stories behind the constellations. Bill shared extensive information on the moon and the stars with the students. Thank you very much to the PAC for funding this educational experience.

#### **Black Excellence Day**

Lions Bay students listened to some literature and songs to honor Black Excellence Day. We listened to a story called, "Malaika's Costume." We also learned about the concert singer Portia May White who achieved worldwide fame as the first Black Canadian concert singer.



#### Lunar New Year

We look forward to celebrating Lunar New Year in February. Kim (Justin's Mom) has kindly offered to do a presentation for students about Lunar New Year and how it is celebrated, and she will be making homemade dumplings for the whole school to enjoy. We are so excited!

Any family who would like to share a special family tradition is invited to speak to myself as mentioned in the Fall.

Sincerely, Ms. Natalie Mendes Vice Principal

**Dress up Day!** The Grade 3 leaders have chosen "Dress up Day" as our next Spririt Day on Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. The theme is open for dressing up fancy, or as a favourite animal or character, etc. No accessories or masks please.



#### LICE – Please remember to do regular checks

We continue to hear of cases of head lice popping up. We appreciate how much of a nuisance head lice can be. It is really important for families to be diligent in checking your child's head regularly. Lice are persistent and families need to check, treat (if needed), and then re-check and re-treat for a number of weeks to ensure the lice are gone. It is also helpful and recommended for children with long hair to wear their hair tied back in a pony tail or braids. <u>Please inform the school, so that we can notify others in the class, so they can be checking too</u>. If you have any questions, please refer to our <u>district administrative procedure</u>. It will take everyone in our 'village' to help eradicate this ongoing problem. Your support and diligence in regular checks is essential.

Here are a couple of great resources to help if your child has lice: <u>https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/sites/default/files/documents/healthfiles/hfile06.pdf</u>

https://vch.eduhealth.ca/en/viewer?file=%2fmedia%2fVCH%2fFG%2fFG.650.G48.pdf#phrase=false

#### **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 <u>aatkinson@wvschools.ca</u> or calling (604) 981 – 8311.

#### **Hot Lunch**

Hot lunch ordering is still open for this term (until March Break). Orders need to be in by Saturday night each week for the following week, or order now for the whole term! We also need volunteers for pick up of lunches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To sign up follow this link: volunteersignup.org/EWBJB



#### 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!







Canadian Planetariums visited Lions Bay for a fun and educational experience.



Our Salmon eggs have been placed in their new home in our classroom tank.

#### LB PAC NEWS

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

Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer, mobile app or room device <u>Click here to join the meeting</u> Meeting ID: 291 000 625 163 Passcode: 7cn4Ej <u>Download Teams | Join on the web</u> **Or call in (audio only)** +1 437-703-4456,902322118# Canada, Toronto Phone Conference ID: 902 322 118# <u>Find a local number | Reset PIN</u> <u>Learn More | Meeting options</u>

#### **Dates To Remember**

Friday, January 26	Spirit Day-Dress up Day. The theme is open for dressing up fancy, or as a favourite animal or character, etc. No accessories or masks please.	
Monday, January 29	Professional Development Day – School not in session	
Friday, February 16	District Reading Break – School not in session	
Monday, February 19	Family Day – School not in session	
Friday, February 23	Spirit Day-Crazy Hair Day	
Wednesday, February 28	Pink Shirt Day	

**Lions Bay School Calendar 2023 – 2024** is available on the Lions Bay School website under<u>our</u> <u>school tab/school news</u> <u>Here</u>. 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**



#### **Neurodiversity and Dance Classes**

My name is Miss Tammy and I teach neuro-affirmative dance classes on Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45 pm at the Vanleena Dance Academy, 1457

Marine Drive, our West Vancouver location. All interested families are invited to contact me directly at dance@vanleena.com to learn more about the program (we also offer a free trial class!).



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