



Ms. Natalie Mendes  
Vice Principal

### Lockdown Drill

We will be having our annual lockdown drill on **Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am** in conjunction with the Squamish RCMP and the West Vancouver School District. A school lockdown is performed when there is a threat detected within the school or outside of the school building. During this drill students will be directed through the procedures taken in the event of an actual lockdown. We often refer to this drill as “emergency hide and seek” and have staff support students in an age appropriate way, before, during and after the drill. If you have any questions or concerns regarding lockdown procedures, please contact Ms. Natalie Mendes [nmendes@wvschools.ca](mailto:nmendes@wvschools.ca).

### Emergency Release Drill

On **Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm** the staff and students at Lions Bay School will participate in an earthquake drill, followed by a **full student release drill**. We hope that this simulated drill will give the school important feedback on some of the issues that we may encounter in the event of an emergency and allow us to troubleshoot potential solutions. **Please ensure that you bring your I.D. with you on this day.** We will be sending home a letter to parents with more details in the coming days.

**Dress up Day!** The Grade 3 leaders have chosen “Dress up Day” as our next Spirit 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. Please inform the school, so that we can notify others in the class, so they can be checking too. If you have any questions, please refer to our [district administrative procedure](#). 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:**

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/sites/default/files/documents/healthfiles/hfile06.pdf>

<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 [aatkinson@wvschools.ca](mailto:aatkinson@wvschools.ca) 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](http://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!



Enjoying healthy snacks from the Universal Snack Programme



Integrating Mathematics and Social Studies

### **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**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 291 000 625 163

Passcode: 7cn4Ej

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**Or call in (audio only)**

[+1 437-703-4456,,902322118#](#) Canada, Toronto

Phone Conference ID: 902 322 118#

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### **Dates To Remember**

<b>Friday, January 26</b>	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.
<b>Monday, January 29</b>	<b>Professional Development Day – School not in session</b>

Thursday, February 1	Annual Lockdown Drill
Thursday, February 8	LB PAC meeting – 6pm (Teams)
Thursday, February 15	Student Emergency Release Drill – 1:30pm
Friday, February 16	District Reading Break – School not in session
Monday, February 19	Family Day Holiday – School not in session
Friday, February 23	Spirit Day – Wacky Hair Day
Wednesday, February 28	Pink Shirt Day

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 COMMUNITY CENTRE

# EARLY YEARS FAIR

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 | 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

West Vancouver Community Centre | Atrium

**It's all about the early years!**

- Connect with local community resources and services for young children and families
- Discover programs and childcare opportunities
- Engage in fun, free activities!

FREE

**Special attraction**

This year's fair will feature a free *Sing Along with Katie*. Sing to familiar tunes and Katie's original songs!

**QUESTIONS**  
604-925-7270

**Participating organizations**

Vancouver Coastal Health • Saplings Outdoor Program • Cypress Corner Childminding • West Vancouver Schools, and many more!

## The WITNESS BLANKET FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



**A CONVERSATION with Carey Newman | Grades 4+  
Wednesday, February 7 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., VIRTUAL**

Carey Newman will discuss his book, *The Witness Blanket: Truth, Art and Reconciliation*, with Shannon Ozirny, Head of Youth Services, on the Library's YouTube channel.

All are welcome to attend. No registration is required, but signing up in advance is recommended to receive an email event reminder.

Register now at [wvml.ca/witness](http://wvml.ca/witness)



This program is part of the Witness Blanket, on view in the Library January 26 – March 10, thanks to funding from the Province of BC and the WVML Foundation.

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### 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](mailto:dance@vanleena.com) to learn more about the program (we also offer a free trial class!).

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