



RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION
PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED**

**RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS
Prière de les faire traduire.**

**重要資料
請找人為你翻譯**

これはたいせつなお知らせです。
どなたかに日本語に訳してもらってください。

알려드립니다

이것을 번역해 주십시오

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG

Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ

ਬਿਚਾਰਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲੰਕਾ ਕਰਵਾਓ ।

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE
Busque alguien que le traduzca.

اطلاعات مهم و سودمند
لطفاً از یک نفر بخواهید که برای شما ترجمه کند

ITO AY MAHALAGANG IMPORMASYON
Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan

**برجی ترجمه هذا
معلومات هامة**

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

October 8th, 2020

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[District Website](#)

UPCOMING DATES

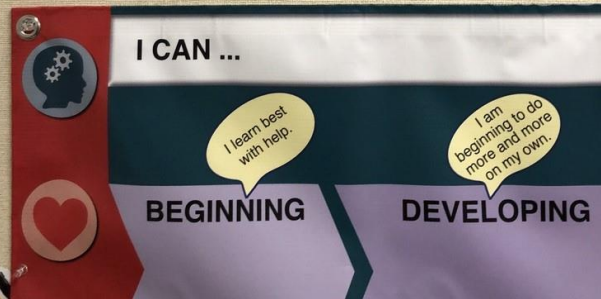
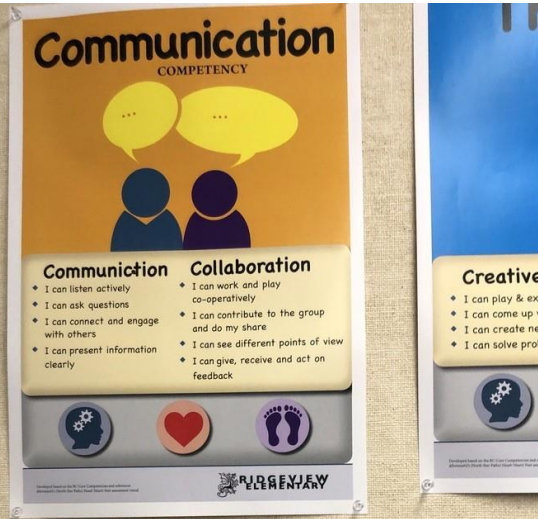
Oct 12 th	Thanksgiving Day Holiday – School Closed
Oct 23 rd	Professional Development Day – No classes in session
Oct 30 th	Hallowe'en Costume Day
Nov 6 th	RPAC Virtual General Meeting at 9:30am
Nov 10 th	Virtual Remembrance Day Event (Students Only)
Nov 11 th	Remembrance Day Holiday – School Closed

SCHOOL NEWS

SETTLING IN

It finally feels like we are back into the usual groove of school life with the health and safety protocols being second nature – but very much at the forefront of everything we do. Many of you parents have been able to join in with your child's Parent Teacher conference virtually, building on that connection with how your son/daughter is adjusting to school. October is always an action-packed month and we are still finding ways to enjoy school – but differently. Hallowe'en is coming and I know how excited students can get. On Friday October 30th they are welcome to come to school in a costume that they can wear all day – we cannot do any big costume changes midday. We are still determining how to “see” each other's costumes with some of our student-only plans.

Students are engaged in the learning and I have been able to visit (masked) most classrooms to see the students enjoying the learning, watching them work in groups in their cohort, demonstrating their confidence with the culmination of effort that they have been able to share or display, etc. Today I visited Ms. Tsumura/Ms. Bird's Grade 2 class during student presentations of sharing their "All About Me Box." They are focusing on speaking and listening skills as an aspect of Learning Like a Dragon using the Communication Core Competencies, the classroom visuals, and modeling expectations for one another during the presentation. I truly enjoyed listening to Niki and Eric's "All About me Box," how both students were so proud to share about their lives and family, and how their classmates respectfully listened and asked good questions or offered a compliment.



I am also preparing a video of our students engaging with “Learning Like A Dragon” for a WVS Board Highlight presentation that I will share with you as well this month.

Watch out for a new “student voice” section for our Ridgeview eBulletin. You will be hearing about Ridgeview school life and what students are up to from some Grade 4’s taking the initiative to make sure we share our learning and experiences from the “students’ desk.” This new section will be called **Dragon News**...coming out soon!

Finally – we are settling in and I’m very grateful for that, for the support of our Ridgeview families to adjust to all of the new school routines, and for my staff who are managing all of this change yet still finding joy with their efforts especially when students’ experience success. I wish you all a very Happy and Safe Thanksgiving!

LATE ARRIVALS (GR K-7)

Students that arrive late in the morning are asked to report to the main entrance front doors to line up. Please do not go directly to your child’s classroom door if you are late as it will be locked. One of our office staff will be at the front door at 9:00 am and again at 9:15 am to admit late students, supervise hand washing and have them check into the office for a late slip. If your child is arriving late after 9:15 am, parents/guardians must accompany them to the front door and call the office at 604-981-1250 for access.

Teachers have such limited time to teach with all of our health and safety protocols that we must implement this new “late” routine. Ideally – we want students to arrive on time and start their day off on the right foot. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.

PLAN FOR SCHOOL (GR K-7)

One aspect with so many staggered starts, flipped recess and different lunch times – it’s really challenging for students to arrive late or leave part way through the day Remember – be on time for us to start off right! No “in’s” and “out’s” – it’s about limiting exposure. If your child needs to leave early or arrive later – we found the few situations this week very challenging. Please plan for school. If you have an important appointment – than that may need to take precedent than coming to school that day.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS (GR K-7)

A reminder that there is no dropping off forgotten items. Be prepared and be sure to have everything when you leave home – water bottle, lunch, school materials and homework. If you forget – you will have to do without.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER (GR K-7)

Fall weather has arrived! Please ensure your child is prepared to go outside. It is also always a good idea to have a set of extra clothes (including socks/shoes) at school should your child get wet or muddy during the day. Hoodies and/or down jackets are great on cooler days – but not effective in the rain. Please make sure your child can stay dry in the rain, from jackets to footwear. Here is the [“West Coast Recess and Lunch at Ridgeview”](#) blog about going outside at school and the benefits that come with it. With COVID-19, we will be going outside often!

BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS (GR K-7)

Staying active during these times is really important. To support this, we encourage students and parents to engage in active transportation by coming to school by bicycle, scooter or walking. With families who live farther away, students can be dropped off a few blocks away so they can make their way to school while

getting a little exercise. However, as a reminder, students should not be riding, scooting or skateboarding on school grounds between 8:15am and 3:30 pm.

UPDATED DAILY HEALTH CHECK FOR SCHOOLS (GR K-7)

Please review the attached updated Daily Health Check before sending your child to school each day.

2021/22 KINDERGARTEN AND IN-CATCHMENT GRADES 1-7 REGISTRATION

If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2016, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2021/22 opens at 8:00am on October 15th. Registration also opens on October 15th for any in-catchment families with children going into Grades 1-7. The online registration application can be found here after 8:00am on October 15th. Registration for Grades 1-7 for all other families (in district out of catchment and out of district) begins January 15, 2021. If your child is already attending Ridgeview, you do not need to reapply for the next school year.

If your child is currently in Grade 7 and your first choice high school is West Vancouver Secondary School, you are not required to complete an online application (regardless of where you live). West Vancouver Secondary School counsellors will be visiting Ridgeview in late winter/early spring and will be distributing transfer forms at that time.

HOWEVER, if your first choice for secondary school is somewhere other than West Vancouver Secondary School (i.e. Sentinel or Rockridge), you must complete an online application according to the student registration timelines. Please note: No out of catchment or out of district applications for secondary schools are accepted until January 15, 2021.

FOLLOW US ON TWITTER @RIDGEVIEWDRAGON

Keep up to date on what is happening at the school by following @RidgeviewDragon, @warrenzerbe, and @cparslow to stay in touch and find valuable articles on education, parenting, technology and other interesting tidbits of information!

COMMUNITY

WHEN STRESS COMES HOME

Free Virtual Presentation. Helping Parents & Youth – Managing the changes associated with COVID-19, the transition to home schooling, back at school, and the stress and anxiety that comes with it all.

WHEN: **October 15th** from 7:30-9:15pm

Visit HERE for more information and to RSVP to receive link.

TECH, COVID & KIDS: RESET YOUR HOME FOR HEALTHY HABITS

Presented by West Vancouver District Parent Advisory Council.

Learn about the impact of tech on your children's development, and hear solutions for how to reset unhealthy tech habits.

WHEN: **Wednesday, October 21st** – 7:00-8:30pm

Free virtual parent event – Register HERE

ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL - BUILDING A WORLD FOR EVERYONE

WHEN: Tuesday, Nov 6th at 6pm.

A Virtual Dialogue and Learning Forum

World renowned speakers on accessibility for all, including: The Rick Hansen Foundation accessibility specialist Hans Uli Eggar & former CBC world journalist Kevin Evans.

Pre-Registration is required for this free webinar - Visit enhancewestvan.ca