



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
ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲਠਾ 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.**

January 7th, 2021

[School Website](#)
[RPAC Facebook](#)
[District Website](#)

UPCOMING DATES

Jan 12 th	WVSS Grade 7 into 8 Virtual Parent Information Meeting
Jan 26 th	Family Meditation & Wellness Virtual Workshop 7:00pm
Jan 29 th	Professional Development Day – No Classes for Students (Gr K-7)
Feb 12 th	Reading Break – School Closed
Feb 15 th	Family Day Holiday – School Closed

SCHOOL NEWS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope everyone had a relaxing and restful break with your immediate household. Students arrived excitedly on Monday to reconnect with their peers and teachers and the learning adventures before them. While we have left a tumultuous 2020 behind us, we still have our due diligence before us to be safe and follow the COVID procedures and protocols at school. Your continued support of all things related to COVID safety – like the daily health check completed each day at home and not gathering on school grounds after school – ensures that we can

continue with some normalcy. While a vaccine may be on the horizon, we will do our best to bring engaging learning experiences for our children and try to connect with our families along the way.

At the beginning of the school year, every student and staff committed to one positive attribute that represents the best of themselves. We completed this task as “dragon scales” and created a large dragon along our stairwell. We are all Ridgeview Dragons! With the new year upon us, I encourage everyone to revisit their “dragon scale” and to live up to their best self as we enter 2021. It is important to find the positives and to always work towards our best. Please ask your son/daughter what attribute they committed to and to renew that commitment!



Please check out our social media feeds for quick news and updates by clicking on the icons:



DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER (GR K-7)

Winter weather is upon us. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for all weather conditions. Also, it is always a very good idea for all students to have an extra set of clothes/footwear at school to change into should they get wet and/or muddy.

FAMILY MEDITATION AND WELLNESS VIRTUAL WORKSHOP (GR K-7)

Want to bring more mindfulness to your life and learn practical tools to help relieve stress and anxiety? Join us for a fun family Mindfulness and Meditation evening Tuesday January 26th @ 7pm. This is going to be an informative and educational evening and something you can do with your whole family (great for all ages)! The workshop will be facilitated on Zoom by one of our Grade 5 parents Hayley Winter, who is a Certified Meditation Teacher. The cost is \$25 per family and 100% of the proceeds will be going directly to our RPAC, so this is a great way to

bring more relaxation and presence to your life while also supporting our school! To register please visit [Munch-A-Lunch](#).

HOT LUNCH WINTER TERM

The Hot Lunch Winter Term runs from Wednesday, January 6 to Friday, March 12. We encourage all parents to take advantage of this program run by the PAC. Hot lunch is the biggest fundraiser for our school and allows the PAC to offer all students an enriched experience as well as celebrate teachers and staff throughout the year. If you have never tried it, you could start with one day and see how it goes. Ordering is flexible as it is continuously open, and you can cancel at any time (as long as it's within the 8-day cut-off period).

We continue offering **Foodie Kids on Wednesdays and Thursdays**, and new for this term - **Domino's Pizza on Fridays!**

To start ordering, please, [use this link](#).

IMPORTANT HOT LUNCH REMINDERS:

- orders should be placed by midnight on Tuesday to receive hot lunch the following week
- orders are not complete unless paid in full; please, complete your credit card payment immediately after placing the order to make sure your child receives his/her lunch as expected
- check your email the day before your child receiving lunch for a reminder from Munchalunch. If not in your Inbox, check your Spam/Junk folder, or log into your account to ensure you have completed the payment.

If you have any questions, please contact our PAC hot lunch coordinators, Silvina (silmoscato@hotmail.com) and Lynn (lynn403@hotmail.com)

FIRST TERM REPORT ENVELOPES

If your child received a report in an envelope, please return the envelope to the office tomorrow so that we may reuse it for second term. Please note: you do not need to sign the envelope.

WVSS GRADE 7 INTO 8 PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Parents and Guardians with Students entering Grade 8 in September 2021 are invited to an information meeting on **Tuesday, January 12, 2020 at 7:00pm**. In this meeting you:

- Hear about the unique features of the Grade 8 Program at WVSS
- Learn about the wide variety of courses available to students at WVSS
- Find out about the extra-curricular activities your child can participate in during their Grade 8 year
- Meet the Grade 8 Counselor, the Principal and Vice-Principal
- Have your questions answered about enrolment guidelines and procedures
- Join us on a virtual guided tour of WVSS!

For more information please see our [Open House Invitation](#)

Event Link: [Click Here](#) (Select "Watch on web instead" if you do not have MS Teams).

WEATHER CLOSURES AND PROCEDURES

As winter approaches, the likelihood of school disruptions due to snowfall or power outages increases. As such, we would like to provide you with some important information about the district's weather closure of schools procedures and announcements process.

The district aims to keep schools open on every regular instructional day, including those with snowfall. However, the final decision to send students to school resides with the parent or guardian since they are most familiar with the specific road and weather conditions around their home and community.

Weather Closure of Schools (Outside School Hours)

Any decision to close schools for the safety of children will be made by the Superintendent. Parents, students, and staff will be informed of the Superintendent's decision via:

- the school district website at www.westvancouver schools.ca; and
- a School Messenger email

We endeavour to communicate this information to parents and staff by 6:00 a.m. on the day of closure.

Weather Closure of Schools (During School Hours)

If weather conditions create a concern for the safety of students returning home, the school Principal can decide to dismiss school early after consulting with the Superintendent.

The decision will be communicated to parents and students using the school's normal communication system (School Messenger).

Student safety is our first priority. Every effort will be made to keep schools open, but parents are encouraged to establish a plan for their children in the event of early dismissal or school closure.

As always, please refer to [this section of the district website](#) for the latest information.

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>

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

Do you or someone you know have a child born in 2016? Now is the time to register them for Kindergarten! Admissions applications for the 2021-2022 school year are available on our website [here](#). You can also find more Kindergarten information on our website [here](#).

ALL Kindergarten students may submit an online application now. Students who will be entering Grades 1-12 and live IN-CATCHMENT may also apply.

Out-of-catchment and out-of-district applications for students entering Grades 1 – 12 in 2021-2022 will be available at 8am on January 15, 2021.

To complete your application, after you submit the online form, you must send good-quality electronic copies of all required documentation to your first choice school only.

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.

For more details, visit <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/admissions/apply-now>

NEXT MEETING (VIRTUAL):
TBA

RPAC

[RPAC Facebook](#)

WELLFED STUDIO ONGOING FUNDRAISER

We have partnered up with WellFed, all prepared meals, ready to order, ready for your freezer and contactless FREE delivery to your home! With each of your orders, WellFed will send 15% of the proceeds to our Ridgeview PAC. [Click here to order!](#)

MABLES LABELS ONGOING FUNDRAISER

Need labels for your kids' stuff? This is an ongoing fundraiser for our school and great products too! The labels stay on clothes through laundry and stays on water bottles and lunch kits through all dishwasher cycles! [Click here to order!](#) Labels are delivered straight to your house!

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Join us on Ridgeview Dragon Facebook page for the latest RPAC information, news and fundraiser efforts! [Click here to join!](#) Lots going on these days! Stay on top of all the holiday cheers and help us build our Ridgeview Parent Community!

COMMUNITY

WVML FREE VIRTUAL PROGRAMS (GR K-7)

West Vancouver Memorial Library is offering free virtual programs for students and families now through the end of the year. It is open to all and no library card is required.

Here is the link: <https://wvmlbc.patronpoint.com/email/preview/35>