



RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN



WEST
VANCOUVER
SCHOOLS

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 ਇਸੇ ਬੱਲੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਾ ਉੱਲਥਾ 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.

December 15th, 2022

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



UPCOMING DATES

December 16th

Last Day Prior to Winter Break – **Early Dismissal 1:00pm**

Dec 19th – Jan 2nd

Winter Break – School Closed

January 27th

Professional Development Day (No School for Students)

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL –WE CAN BE FESTIVE AND ALSO CELEBRATE LEARNING AT THE SAME TIME!

It has been a very festive and busy week at Ridgeview – showcasing all the things that make our school a great place to learn, play and build relationships. There are many links that will take you to our Twitter page or to a posted video via Google below – click on the links below and enjoy all the posts and videos!

Our school goal this year is to create a sense of belonging. In Term 1, we learned about who we are (Self) and focused on the virtues of respect and gratitude. We held our end of term celebration [Sense of Belonging](#) assembly this morning to showcase student learning with several speakers and a special performance by Division 3. We were quietly reflecting on the work that we have done through a

culminative [slideshow](#) (15 minutes) at the end. For Term 2, we will focus on Others and the character virtues of empathy and kindness. One example of what we celebrate would be Grade 5 students Maya, Anna, Autria and Avery with their [BC Children's Hospital fundraiser](#) raising \$337!

Do you want to see something very cool? Ms. Gardner's Grade 6's created their own song and rap called [Division 3's Sense of Belonging Rap](#) song (3 minutes) with everyone performing in some capacity that exemplified their learning and how to actually build understanding of this important topic.

On a lighter note, the Grade 7 tradition of [So You Think You Can Dance](#) event, emceed by Mr. Meldrum, was back this year with the Grade 7's busting a move for an audience. Special thank you to the judges Mr. Paterson, Ms. Morton, Ms. Wanless and Ms. Swanson.

We also had Ms. Meldrum's Grade 4's Reader's Theatre version followed by one of the songs popular from [The Grinch](#) with Grade 6's from Division 3.

Lastly, the Grade 3's were sneaking around the school yesterday, [wishing the office staff Merry Christmas](#), and spreading joy!

We want to wish everyone Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas!

THANK YOU RPAC

Thank you to the RPAC for all your help this holiday season. We were so lucky to have an amazing staff lunch on Wednesday and enjoy the beautiful decorations all month long. Thank you for everything you do for Ridgeview!

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT OR ARRIVING LATE FOR SCHOOL

It is extremely important that student absences/late arrivals be reported to the school office prior to 9:00am by either leaving a voice message on the **'Call Back' phone line at 604-981-1252** or by emailing Mrs. Lytle (slytle@wvschools.ca). Please call or email **EACH** day your child is absent or if you know your child will be away for an extended period of time, please email Mrs. Lytle so that this information can be recorded on the Call Back 'long term' form. Also, if you will be extending your winter break holiday beyond January 2nd, please let us know. Thank you for your cooperation.

DISTRICT 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 systems.

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>

KINDERGARTEN & IN-CATCHMENT GR 1-7 REGISTRATION FOR 2023-24

If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2018, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2023/24 opened on October 17th. Registration is also open for any in-catchment families with children going into Grades 1-7. The online registration application can be found [here](#). **Please note out of catchment Grade 1-7 registrations and out of district applications for secondary schools are not accepted until January 16, 2023.**

NEXT MEETING:
JANUARY 25TH AT 7:00PM

RPAC

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HOT LUNCH PROGRAM – NEXT TERM ORDERING OPENS TOMORROW!

Please see attached flyer for more information regarding next term's hot lunch program.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Join us on the Ridgeview Dragon Facebook page for the latest RPAC information, news and fundraiser efforts! [Click here to join.](#)

COMMUNITY

DUNDARAVE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS 2022

VOTE for our Ridgeview Christmas Tree!

If you haven't yet been to the [Dundarave Festival of Lights](#) we encourage you to visit with your family. It is a beautiful sight to see.

Christmas Lights and Decorations are up from December 3rd 2022 to January 8th 2023. This year we have an incredibly beautiful and **sentimental tree arrangements** from our school. Our tree has **dragon tree ornaments** that are **individually painted** by our very own **students** from Ridgeview Elementary!

[CLICK HERE TO VOTE \(LINK\)](#)

Get your vote in by December 16th! By entering your vote, you could win \$100 to Aburi Market, OEB and Fig Face!

If you haven't yet been to view them, we encourage you to visit! But in the meantime, please continue to vote!!!

Thank you to RPAC for sponsoring and to Vania and Janae and team for decorating!

LIGHTS UP MUSICAL THEATRE AFTER SCHOOL AT RIDGEVIEW

Sing Dance Act Shine! At Lights Up After School. Your child can experience the joys and benefits of musical theatre by taking part in our afterschool programs led by talented and experienced Lights Up Musical Theatre Schools staff. These classes are a unique introduction to weekend musical theatre programs and provide students with an enriching, rewarding, and most of all, fun afterschool activity right at the bell!

WINTER SHOW! MARY POPPINS. This January-March we will be putting on a version of the musical "Mary Poppins," created for our after school students!

Students are supervised from the bell. No need to pick up your child until 4.45pm! Performance for parents on last day of classes!

After School Thursdays

Jan 5 – Mar 2 (9 SESSIONS)

2.40-4.45PM

Fee: \$345* (*plus GST)

For more information visit: <https://lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/ridgeview/>

PROGRAMS AT WV COMMUNITY CENTRE & GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

Winter Holiday program registrations opened on November 16th.

For School age children's programs during the holidays, visit: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/school-age/winter-break>

Holiday Events and Activities: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/general-information/holiday-happenings>

The registrations for the Winter 2023 & Spring Break programs open on Wednesday, December 7th, 8am for West Vancouver residents.

- New after-school program for 7-9 years old, **Recess:** <https://westvancouverrec.ca/school-age/learning/games>
- 2023 Winter Pro-D Day Camps: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/school-age/camps/pro-d-day-camps>
- Music for All Ages: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/music>

- Language Classes for Various Ages: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/languages>
- Spring Break Camps: <https://westvancouverrec.ca/school-age/spring-break/spring-break>