



RIDGEVIEW
ELEMENTARY

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 ਬੱਚੇ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉੱਲਾ 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

يرجى ترجمة هذا

معلومات هامة

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

May 11th, 2023

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



UPCOMING DATES

May 12th

Class Photo Day

May 19th

Professional Development Day – No School for Students

May 22nd

Victoria Day Holiday – School Closed

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL – RIDGEVIEW TRACK CLUB

Participating Grade 4, 5, 6 and 7's who have signed up for the [Ridgeview Track Club](#) are having [early morning practices](#) preparing for the track and field events happening later this month. We have a large group and we have many teachers out coaching and cheering them on. We still need parent volunteers at the field and track events. If you are able to volunteer – we need your help – the original notice outlines the dates. Please inform Mr. Zerbe wzerbe@wvschools.ca.

OUR PERSEVERANCE BOARD

This term we are exploring perseverance. What is perseverance and why should kids want it? Kids might be surprised to hear that perseverance is really important for living a life they can be proud of. Perseverance is the drive that helps you get past the hard stuff. We would like to collect photos of students persevering. This could be at sports events, arts, science or any other challenge they have overcome. Please bring photos to the office for our perseverance board!

MOVING? CHANGING SCHOOLS?

It is very important to inform us if you know your child(ren) will **NOT** be returning to Ridgeview in September for the 2023/24 school year. Please email Mrs. Lytle (slytle@wvschools.ca) as soon as possible as it is important for us to have accurate information regarding enrollment for the upcoming school year. Thank you for your cooperation.

STUDENT PLACEMENT INPUT REQUEST FOR 2023/2024 (Gr K-6)

Our class placement process ensures that thoughtful consideration of each child's social, emotional and academic needs is aligned with the need to create balanced and effective learning environments. The assignment of students to classes is decided by a team, which includes the School Based Resource Team, a child's current teacher, non-enrolling teachers, support staff and the administrators. This professional team considers each placement carefully as they create classes that include a wide range of students who learn in a variety of ways.

In addition to individual circumstances, criteria considered in the placement process include:

- 1) Workable instructional groups considering:
 - the child's academic needs and strengths;
 - teaching and learning styles;
 - the child's work habits
- 2) Positive social groups considering:
 - placements where a child can work positively and productively with other children in the class;
 - peer support or conflicts;
 - establishing the presence of positive leaders in each class
- 3) Balanced classes considering:
 - gender (male/female);
 - inclusive practices;
 - English Language Learners;
 - social, emotional and academic needs and abilities;
 - leadership abilities
- 4) Other information considered:
 - School-Based Resource Team recommendations

If there is information that the current classroom teacher and/or the principal does not have and should consider when placing your child, parents may wish to complete a Student Placement Input Form (attached).

Please submit any Input Forms to Mr. Zerbe (wzerbe@wvschools.ca) and "cc" your child's current classroom teacher. **Input Forms are due no later than MAY 31st to be considered for student placement for the 2023/24 school year. Late request cannot be honoured. (Please also consider only making a request if there are extenuating circumstances.)**

Please consider the placement criteria referenced above when describing your child's needs. If you are requesting placements that involve other students (one or two at most) please think carefully before making your request and provide an explanation for that request. Please focus on the needs of your child.

The information that you provide in your Input Form will be given to the team of professionals described above, to be used along with the criteria listed above in the placement of your child. Please note that it may not be possible to meet all requests as classes are determined. Teacher assignments are tentative and subject to change, along with enrolment and school organization change.

Reminder: Please note that **Input Forms will not be accepted if names of staff members are used in outlining your requests/concerns**. Letters containing staff names will not be used in the class building process. Our goal is to meet the needs of all students at Ridgeview in order to maximize their growth as learners. We appreciate your support in the complex multi-level process of arranging educationally sound and balanced classes.

GRADE 6/7 BAND REGISTRATION FOR 2023-24

Registration for elementary concert band is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Band is an optional program offered to Grade 6 and 7 students where they learn an instrument to play as a group. When you are ready to register, go to the [District Elementary Band Program page](#). Further information was sent out earlier directly to families of current Grade 5 and 6 students.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS 2023-24

Next year's school supplies were emailed out to families last Monday.

The supply lists reflect what teachers anticipate your child will need and are individual to each grade. You will see on the list that "Part A" supplies" are purchased as a complete package. Some lists may have a "Part B". Please note these items are still required by the teacher but may be ordered individually as families may choose to reuse some of these items from year to year.

Creative Children has put together convenient and cost-effective packages and ordering the supplies through Creative Children also benefits your child as this is a RPAC fundraiser (which you will find under "Part C – Optional Items"). Please note that Part B and/or C items must be ordered at the same time as the Part A package. You are unable to go back to the website and order Part B or C items separately.

Should you choose to order school supplies through Creative Children, **all ordering is done online through [Creative Children](#)** (choose our School name in the drop down and the grade your child will be entering in September).

To receive FREE SHIPPING to the school: Orders must be submitted no later than June 11th.

Packs ordered by June 11th will arrive at the school before June year end dismissal to take home. Packs ordered after June 11th will be subject to a shipping fee. Should you choose not to order the supplies through Creative Children, please use the list as a guide to purchase the items on your own from a store. The lists can be found on the [Creative Children website](#) as well as on [our school website under "School News and Publications"](#)

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.

PACK IN PACK OUT LUNCH & SNACK WASTE

We have not reviewed this in sometime, but we have noticed that we need to re-promote "Pack In Pack Out" for managing left over lunch and/or lunch waste. Metro Vancouver has introduced a ban sometime ago on the disposal of organics – including food waste and packaged food. This means food waste must be separated from regular garbage. To support this, students are asked to pack out all waste from their snacks and lunches. We have limited capacity to support this at school.

This includes all wrappings and all organic waste. Reusable containers will be necessary to keep waste to a minimum. You may want to have a large Zip Lock bag in your child's backpack for left over hot lunch food and packaging. Please also ensure if your child requires utensils to eat their lunch that you provide a reusable one from home. We do not have extra utensils at the office. Your support is appreciated.

LUNCH UTENSILS – PLEASE PACK FROM HOME

A reminder to **pack a reusable fork, spoon or chopsticks from home** should your child require a utensil to eat what they have for their lunch. **This includes if they are receiving hot lunch.** In order to reduce the amount of waste produced, utensils are not provided with hot lunch and we do not have utensils available in the office.

2023 SUMMER LEARNING WITH WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2023.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs is now open. Elementary registration closes on May 12. Secondary registration closes on June 16.

More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers ([elementary](#) or [secondary](#)) or on the [Summer Learning Website](#).

Please note: you will need your child's Personal Education Number (PEN) when registering. This number can be found on their report card (at the top of the first page just below their name).

NEXT MEETING:
JUNE 16TH @ 9AM

RPAC

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RPAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The RPAC AGM will take place on June 16th at 9:00am in person in the school library. Hope to see you there!

GET INVOLVED!

Do you want to get more involved within the school? Please consider joining the RPAC Executive for next year. Positions that are open: Secretary and Treasurer. For more information, please see attached flyer and/or email rpacdragons@gmail.com.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM – SPRING SESSION

Hot lunch is open for ordering through [MunchaLunch](#).. Please remember there is an 8 day cut-off to place or edit your order. Once that cut-off has passed, no changes can be made.

General Information

The vendor choices during the spring session include the following:

Monday- Domino's Pizza
Tuesday- Presto Catering
Wednesday- White Spot
Thursday- Presto Catering
Friday- Domino's Pizza

The hot lunch program at Ridgeview is one of the RPAC's biggest fundraisers. The funds are used for a variety of programs and projects that benefit our kids. Thank you to all the families who have participated and continue to participate in this fundraising program.

***REMINDER- you need to pack reusable utensils from home as these are not provided with hot lunches.**

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

WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

May is here which means that the WVBC Summer camps are just around the corner. This summer, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 10 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

HIGHLANDERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL CAMP (Gr 5-7)

The West Vancouver Secondary School Senior Girls Volleyball team are excited to offer a 5-day Elementary school camp to Grad 5-7 students. Learn skills and tactics of volleyball with us!

Mondays/Wednesday May 31, June 5, 7, 12 and 14.

3:30 – 5:30pm at WVSS (1750 Mathers Ave)

Cost \$75 (cash on first day of camp or cheque payable to West Vancouver Secondary)

Register online via email to kfinsh@wvschools.ca or drop off the attached form to WVSS office

NEURODIVERGENT & THRIVING

Please join us for a free community conversation focused on supporting neurodivergent youth.

June 7, 2023 / 7-9pm at Mountainside Secondary School

Please register [HERE](#)

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS-EXCITING 2024 FEE INCREASE

[Apply now](#) and welcome a student for the upcoming 2023/2024 school year.

Did you know?

- Hosting fees of \$1,100 per student per month. Many families will host two students which can provide up to \$22,000 per year income subsidy.
- Effective February 1, 2024 the fees increase to \$1,400 per student per month!
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Don't miss out, placing students starts now. See below message from an actual student letter joining our program this fall. Open your home for this amazing opportunity for all family members.

"I genuinely believe that Canada is the place where I belong. It has everything I'm looking for: contact with nature, beautiful landscapes, friendly people, security, and excellent public schools. But the main reason why I chose Canada is the people; I will be welcome and feel at home"

Contact the Homestay Coordinators for more information at homestay@wvschools.ca or visit our [web pages](#)

SUMMER OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Fun adventures for the months of July and August - Week long summer camp for children 6-12 years old

The camp groups will be mixed age groups with appropriate activities for all ages. Registration is on a first come, first served basis with a limited number of spaces being offered. The cost includes local transit and outings. Each day will include a carefully crafted blend of local trips, a craft, brain breaks, journaling and outdoor gross motor games. (See attached flyer for what is happening each week)

Cost: \$300 per week (8:30am – 4:30pm)

Please see attached flyer for more information and/or to register: email Amanda Crone at amandasummeradventures@gmail.com

WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS WEBSITE LINKS TO ACADEMIES AND PROGRAMS

Please visit the District site [HERE](#) for more information on the various Academies and Programs West Vancouver Schools are offering.

WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS EARLY LEARNING EVENTS

There are many early learning events taking place across our district. Please see the schedule [HERE](#).

DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER

[Camps](#): PD Day camps & Summer camps – Summer Camp registrations start on May 3rd.

[Learning Programs](#) for everyone

Including Lego, Chess, Science, STEAM with Zen Maker Lab, Language programs (French DELF, Spanish, Korean and Mandarin Chinese), Indigenous Arts & Culture, and more

Music Programs, for all ages:

Early Years' music classes, Private lessons, Semi-Private lessons, Choirs, and Group drum circle

Dance Program, for various age groups

WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CULTURAL FEST

Ambleside Park

Friday, June 2 / 4:00-9:30pm

Saturday, June 3 / 11am – 9:30pm

For more information: wvculturalfest.ca

SIMON FRASER BASKETBALL-MOVEMENT AND SPORT FESTIVAL

Empowering girls through movement and sport

May 18th from 12:30-3:30pm

All participants must register in advance with wbbinfo@sfu.ca

LOOKING FOR SUMMER CAMPS? TRY ULTIMATE FRISBEE! (AGES 8-14)

If you are looking for an outdoor, physically active, and FUN summer camp for your students, check out Elevate Ultimate's Ultimate Frisbee [summer camps](#)! The camps are running at Confederation Turf throughout the month of July, 2023.

Ultimate frisbee is a great sport for everyone of all genders and skill levels. Elevate Ultimate's professional staff promote values such as open-mindedness, sportspersonship, and inclusivity. Elevate Ultimate is owned by former Team Canada Ultimate Frisbee representatives, Ari Nitikman and Danie Proby. Both Ari and Danie have played the sport at an elite level and currently coach at all levels. For more information, please see the attached flyer. Please use code **Westvan50** for \$50 off any [summer camp](#)!