



RIDGEVIEW
ELEMENTARY

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**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
ਵਿਕਾ ਕਰਵੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲੰਘਾ 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**

**یرجی ترجمه هذا
معلومات هامة**

**ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.**

October 13th, 2023

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



UPCOMING DATES

October 20 th	PSA Day (no school for students)
October 26 th	Ridgeview's First Halloween Bingo Night! 5:30-8:30pm in the Gym
October 31 st	Halloween Parade at 9:00am (more information to come)
November 1 st	Delayed Start at 10:30am / Pajama Day
November 6 th	Individual Photo Retakes
November 8 th	RPAC General Meeting at 7:00pm

SCHOOL NEWS

PROUD PRINCIPAL – OVERNIGHT INDIGENOUS CAMP EXPERIENCE

Our [Grade 6 classes](#) enjoyed an [Overnight Indigenous Camp Experience](#) at the Cheakamus Centre in Squamish over the last few days. We were fortunate enough to have fantastic weather during this experience, although it was cold overnight in the longhouse – but the students fared well. The [highlights](#) of the trips were the Cedar Forest walk, the activity stations including [cedar bark weaving](#), [wood working](#), fishing by the river, and we had Indigenous Legends shared over

the campfire before lights out. Students had to participate with chores, including working with the elders to make soup using hot lava rocks from the fire's base to bring it to a boil. Students also loved making Bannock! Thank you to the RPAC who generously donated \$5000 from fundraised money to help support this adventure for our students. Please click on the links above for X (formerly Twitter) images and moments.

RIDGEVIEW SCARES HUNGER

In an effort to support our local food banks and promote citizenship and empathy in our students, we are encouraging every student to bring in at least one food item to help us Scare Hunger away for Halloween! Each grade has been assigned a particular food category to donate so that we can collect a variety of the items that are most needed. See below the food items assigned to each Grade. We will also gratefully accept cash donations which will be used to purchase grocery store gift cards. Please bring donations to the box in your classroom **before Friday October 27th:**

Kindergarten: Crackers and Granola Bars

Grade 1: Tea, Coffee, Hot Cocoa

Grade 2: Rice, Cereal, Oatmeal

Grade 3: Dried Pasta, Canned/Jarred Sauce

Grade 4/5: Canned Fruit & Vegetables, Peanut Butter, Jam & Honey

Grade 6: Canned Tuna/Salmon, Beans, Chickpeas

Grade 7: Canned (or Tetra Pack) Soup, Chilis, Stews

PHOTO RETAKES

If your child missed photo day or you would like their photo retaken, the photographers will be back November 6th (in the morning). Please be sure your child is aware that they are to have their photo taken on this day if that is the case.

WHAT'S THE PLAN FOR SAFE ARRIVAL BEFORE & DEPARTURE AFTER SCHOOL?

With the extended summer ending, please be prepared for the change of season and what this means coming and going from school.

Please arrive earlier in poor weather for students to be dropped off to avoid congestion. We still will be going outside every day, so students need to be properly prepared for the weather at recess and lunch. In saying this – we are encouraging the “Drive and 5” concept of parking a block away and walking in for a few minutes as we simply do not have the capacity for drop-off on Mathers if parents are not actually driving away (Kiss and Go) once dropping of their children. PS - There is lots of parking on Kings to park and walk right onto the field from there.

Also – our office hours end at 3:30pm. Parents are responsible for their children's care after 2:40pm dismissal. There is no outside supervision after school. We are open for a little bit in case of an emergency or parents that called in and are arriving late. Doors are locked by 3:15pm. There should be a clear plan for when your child goes home – especially as the time will change and afternoons become dark after 4:00pm. We have noticed many students hanging out after school on their devices - when they should be enjoying the outdoors and following the plan home. Our Student Tech User Agreement signed by parents also states that students should not be on District Wi-Fi after school with their devices.

Please arrange accordingly for safe arrival and have a plan for going home after school.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER (GR K-7)

We have been so fortunate to have such amazing weather so far but more typical Fall weather will be upon us soon. Please ensure your child is prepared to go outside in all weather conditions. It is also a very good idea to have a set of extra clothes (including socks/shoes) at school should your child get wet and/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.

HALLOWE’EN PARADE AT RIDGEVIEW (GR K-7)

We are planning on holding our **Hallowe’en Parade on Tuesday, October 31st at 9:00 am.**

IF the weather is good – we will parade outside around the playground and basketball court area on the blacktop area – like last year. Parents would be able to spectate at a distance spread out and along where the blue benches are along the edge of this area behind the cones. Please take photos of your own children due to photo permission restrictions. Students can come to school dressed and ready to go. Please no scary masks. ALL grades are participating and we encourage all students to get into the spirit of Hallowe’en.

IF the weather is bad – we will be parading inside and parents can gather in the gym to view the parade walk through (please not in the school corridors).

WVS 2023 - 2024 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ONLINE FORMS (GR K-7)

All Ridgeview families are asked to sign off on the District’s Policies and Procedures online form each year and for each child, and it can be accessed [HERE](#). Without completion of this form, students may be unable to participate fully in classroom and school activities (Google Classroom, Terry Fox Run). We ask you to complete this information as soon as possible. The form includes:

- District Policies
- District Network and Internet Appropriate Use
- Privately Owned Electronic Devices Appropriate Use
- Use of Website Applications Outside British Columbia – Parent Consent
- Community Activities Release – Parent Consent
- Consent of Release Permission
- BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutrition Program
- Google Workspace for Education Consent

STUDENT ABSENCES / LATE ARRIVALS (GR K-7)

It is extremely important that student absences/late arrivals be reported to the school office prior to 8:40am by leaving a voice message on the ‘**Call Back**’ phone line at **604-981-1252** or by emailing Mrs. Lytle (slytle@wvschools.ca). Please call each day your child is absent or if you know your child will be away for an extended period of time (such as holidays), please email the office so that this information can be recorded on the Call Back ‘long term’ form. Thank you for your cooperation.

KINDERGARTEN & IN-CATCHMENT GR 1-7 REGISTRATION FOR 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR OPENS OCTOBER 16TH

If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2019, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2024/25 opens at 8:00am, Monday October 16th. Registration also opens at this time 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 16th. **Please note out of catchment Grade 1-7 registrations and out of district applications for secondary schools are not accepted until January 15, 2024.**

NEXT MEETING:
Nov 8TH @ 7PM

RPAC

[RPAC Facebook](#)

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM 2023/24

The school lunch program at Ridgeview is one of the RPAC's biggest fundraisers. Last year we raised \$30,000!

The funds from the lunch program are used for a variety of projects and programs that benefit our children. These are separate from the specific project(s) funded by the annual cheque writing campaign. Thank you to all the families that have contributed to this fundraising program!

This year we have a full line up of options for everyone to try:

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

We have a new vendor this year. Well Fed has joined our line-up and offers a variety of hot and cold lunch options as well as snacks, baked goods and beverages. Some hot items will be rotating week to week, so make sure to check out more than just one of the Thursday menus.

Reminder- Utensils are not provided for hot lunches. Please make sure to send the appropriate cutlery with your child.

Fall Hot Lunch Session- Important Dates:

Ordering is NOW OPEN on [Munch-a-Lunch](#)

Ordering closing day: Wednesday, December 13

First day of hot lunch: Monday, September 18 (if ordered by September 10th)

Last day of hot lunch: Thursday, December 21

Ordering Deadline:

There's a **strict 8-day cut-off for ordering.** For example, to order for Monday, September 18, orders should be submitted by Sunday, September 10

COMMUNITY

KAY MEEK THEATRE – DISCOUNTED TICKETS

Kay Meek Theatre is offering discounted tickets to the following concerts:

- Trio Fibonacci – Apply code TRIOF5
- Serenades and Divertimenti – apply code VETTA

Link to the website: <https://kaymeek.com/events/triofibonacci-1022>

(See attachment for more information)

WV MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Please have a read of West Vancouver Memorial Library Newsletter for all the latest programs they are offering [HERE](#).

WV COMMUNITY CENTRE INVITATION

Please see below for programs offer at the West Vancouver Community Centre:

FALL PROGRAMS AT WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE & GLENEAGLES COMMUNITY CENTRE

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE](#)

INDIGENOUS ARTS & CULTURE WORKSHOPS

INCLUDING BEADING, CEDAR WEAVING AND WOOL WEAVING – VISIT [HERE](#)

WANT TO LEARN LANGUAGES, SCIENCE, LEGO, CHESS..., VISIT

[HTTPS://WESTVANCOUVER.CA/LEARNING](https://westvancouver.ca/learning)

LIVE! MUSIC SERIES, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 4-5PM, FREE

COME ENJOY THE MUSICAL HOUR WITH GERGANA VELINOVA JAZZ TRIO IN THE ATRIUM

[EVENT INFO](#)

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