



RIDGEVIEW
ELEMENTARY

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 <p>WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED</p> <p>RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS Prière de les faire traduire.</p> <p>重要資料 請找人為你翻譯</p>	<p>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。</p> <p>알려드립니다 이것을 번역해 주십시오</p> <p>CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG Xin nhờ người dịch hộ</p> <p>ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਚਿੱਠੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲੰਘਾ ਕਰਵਾਓ।</p> <p>INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE Busque alguien que le traduzca.</p>	<p>اطلاعات مهم و سودمند لطفاً از یک نفر بخواهید که برای شما ترجمه کند</p> <p>ITO AY MAHALAGANG IMPORMASYON Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan</p> <p>برجی ترجمه هذا معلومات هامة</p> <p>ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ Переведите это, пожалуйста.</p>
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September 7th, 2023

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UPCOMING DATES

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| September 13-15 th | Scholastic Book Fair |
| September 15 th | Meet My Principal @ 1:00pm in the gym for parents before...
Meet My Teacher @ 2:00pm
EARLY DISMISSAL 2:00pm Grades 1-7 / 11:40am for Kindergarten |
| September 19 th | Jesse Miller Parent Presentation @ 6:30pm in the Gym |
| September 21 st | Terry Fox Run |
| September 22 nd | Professional Development Day – No classes for Students |
| September 28 th | Individual Photo Day/ Class Photo Day/ Panoramic School Photo |
| September 29 th | Orange Shirt Day |
| September 30 th | Truth and Reconciliation Day (School Closed) |

SCHOOL NEWS

WELCOME BACK DRAGONS!

I hope everyone enjoyed this summer and are energized to come back to school. We have held several Staff Pro-D and Start Up Meetings and have two school wide assemblies with the

students to remind them of our expectations, share our school goal of creating a sense of belonging, promote upcoming special events and exciting new opportunities, and prepared them for moving into new classes tomorrow. We are confirming with the district about accommodating their needs for placement of the many new applications as well as our well thought out classrooms designs around student learning. We will be emailing you tomorrow with more information about this specifically once we have been given the green light to proceed.

We have also had a lot of Ridgeview Staff changes. Please welcome:

Ms. Hillary Sawyer – teaching Grade 6

Mr. Malcolm Crystal – Learning Support Teacher, Grade 7 on Wednesday pm

Mr. Todd Lund – our new Counsellor

Ms. Erica Eng – Kindergarten part time Thursdays and Fridays for Ms. Andrea Daudlin's partial Medical Leave and Wednesdays in Grade 1 for Ms. Beth Sandor's partial Medical Leave.

Mr. Jeremy Phipps - new EA

Ms. Leila Shahrzad - new EA

Ms. Chris Thornton - new EA

Ms. Monica Rahnama – new EA

Ms. Farnaz Karimabadi – new office staff/supervision

Ms. Karen Kimata – new office staff/supervision

EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS FOR STUDENTS

Our REVISED Code of Conduct will be in every student agenda (see below) which will be handed out tomorrow. There is a new aspect with the Code of Conduct in the agenda that we are asking families to review the Code of Conduct with your child, sign off the bottom, cut off and return to the teacher. We are hoping to ensure everyone knows what's expected to maintain a positive and safe learning environment. Admittedly, it is a wordy document but is a requirement by the Ministry of Education. I have shared some highlighted **Expected Behaviours** with students this week which will be our focus this term and would ask that you support the following:

HIGHLIGHTED EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS:

HALLWAYS

Teachers support transition

Hands to self

Always walking

Be calm & in control

LANGUAGE

No swearing

Welcoming, Inclusive and Anti-Racist language

Use English unless supporting translation

T.H.I.N.K.

T = is it TRUE?

H = is it HELPFUL?

I = is it INSPIRING?

N = is it NECESSARY?

K = is it KIND?

ONLINE

Requires supervision

Not on your person/turned off (airplane mode) in your backpack

Digital Footprint – be responsible

T.H.I.N.K.

Signed Tech User Agreement (form that will come home Grades 4- 7)

RESPECT FOR STAFF

Here to support you and part of our team

Acknowledge them

RESPECT FOR OTHERS

The Golden Rule – treat others as you want to be treated

RESPECT FOR YOURSELF

Do your best

Learn from your mistakes

Be prepared and arrive on time

HATS/HOODIES

Staff decision on when and where

When you are wearing a hat or hoody - need to recognize you

GUM

No chewing gum at school

Do not bring gum to school

MEET THE PRINCIPAL @ 1:00 PM / MEET THE TEACHER @ 2:00 PM EVENTS

All students in Grades 1 – 7 will be dismissed at 2:00 pm on September 15th for **REVISED Meet My Teacher Event**. Teachers will be hosting 2 information sessions for families to be able to attend if you have two students – first sessions is at **2:00 pm** and the second session is at 2:15 pm. Please be sure to self-direct where you need to go. Families with three students – please choose the two most important sessions and then visit the third classroom from 2:30 – 2:40 pm for a quicker visit. These sessions will be communicated how to set up your child(ren) for success this year and highlight some of our plans.

If you are able, please attend the **Meet My Principal** (parents only with Mr. Zerbe and Vice Principal Ms. Morton) at **1:00 pm** for a high level overview of our school organization, academic priorities, social emotional strategies connected to our school goal of creating a sense of belonging, and parental advice. It is meant to be informative and interactive. This session will be in the gym ahead of Meet My Teacher and Early Dismissal at 2:00 pm.

New Kindergarten students will meet their teacher at 11:40 am on this day in which you will be able to see the classroom and the teacher will be able to share some information with you. There is also a District New Kindergarten Picnic Event 1:00 – 2:00 pm – invitations sent out from the District.

JESSE MILLER PRESENTS (GR 4-7)

All students in the intermediate grades will have the opportunity on September 19th to have Jesse Miller speak to them about digital media safety. He is a popular speaker and informant about being safe online, how to manage social media, and offers advice of the effectiveness of digital media/AI as well as the issues that stem from it. Grade 4/5's will have one session followed by the Grade 6/7's in the afternoon on September 19th. Jesse will be presenting to parents (**open to all parents**) who would like to know more about how to cope and deal with technology and social media at home. **Please save the evening IN PERSON event for parents with Jesse Miller on Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30 pm in the gym.** Please see his website [Mediated Reality](#) for more information about him. This will be a RPAC sponsored event. No fees or tickets for parents.

STUDENT INFORMATION / EMERGENCY FORMS (GR K-7)

All students will be receiving a package of contact/emergency forms that need immediate attention and are to be returned to classroom teachers by the date noted on the forms. Included in the forms package is the Student Verification Form which is the student information that is in our database. Parents / guardians are required to review this information and note any changes before returning it. In order to keep our records current, we request that any changes in citizenship, custody, or residential information be supported by supporting documentation submitted to the school office (scan/email). This would include respectively: a Canadian citizenship card or passport; legal custody agreement; a purchase / tenancy agreement and utility bill(s). Please contact the school office or Principal if you have any questions.

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

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wednesday, September 13th to Friday, September 15th, we will hold our SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR! The excitement is building, as each student will have an opportunity to attend the Fair with their class to purchase books on one of these days. The Book Fair will also be open during Meet the Teacher on Friday, September 15th from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for your shopping convenience!

There will be many fine books available in a broad range of categories. Among those are:

- ◆ Activity Kits ◆ Adult/Children's Gifts ◆ Art and Music
- ◆ Beginning Readers ◆ Biography ◆ Computer
- ◆ Cook Books ◆ Easy Chapter Books ◆ Tales and Legends
- ◆ Holiday ◆ Humor ◆ History and Geography
- ◆ Intermediate Fiction ◆ Parenting ◆ Picture Books
- ◆ Poetry ◆ Preschool ◆ Reference
- ◆ Science and Math ◆ Sports ◆ Teacher Resource

We will also be accepting cash, debit, and credit cards for payment.

Please contact me with any questions you may have cxkenedy@wvschools.ca. Thank you for helping us raise funds to purchase more library materials for our students!

Mrs. Kennedy, Teacher-Librarian

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Please have a read of the attached important traffic safety information.

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.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE (GR K-7)

Any payments to the school such as for agendas, lost library books or field trips are done online through [SchoolCash](#). Once registered, you will also be able to receive notifications whenever there is a new item for your child that requires payment, so you won't have to worry about missing deadlines. This account only needs to be set up once and it will follow your child year to year even through secondary school. All new families will receive their child(ren)'s personal SchoolCash PIN number and instructions on how to set up the account next week.

STUDENT AGENDAS (GR 1-7)

Ridgeview students in Grades 1-7 are expected to use the Ridgeview student agenda to organize their homework and school activities. Calendar, timetable, policies and procedures and other important information is included within the student agenda. Our REVISED Code of Conduct must be read as a family, signed, cut off and returned to the classroom teacher. The agendas were given to students (in Grades 1-7) yesterday. Please go to [SchoolCash Online](#) to pay \$10 for this item. If you are a new family to Ridgeview, information about setting up your SchoolCash Online account will be sent out next week.

INDIVIDUAL/CLASS/PANORAMIC PHOTO DAY

Mark your calendars - Individual Photo Day will take place on **Thursday, September 28th**. We will have individual and class photos as well as the panoramic photo (whole school picture).

BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS (GR K-7)

Staying active 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.

**NEXT MEETING:
Nov 8TH @ 7PM**

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HOT LUNCH PROGRAM 2023/24 – ORDERING OPENING SOON!!

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 opening day: Saturday, September 9 (target, to be confirmed with [Munch-a-Lunch](#))

Ordering closing day: Wednesday, December 13

First day of hot lunch: Monday, September 18

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.

For further information, please see the Hot Lunch attachment.

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