



RIDGEVIEW
ELEMENTARY

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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 ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ 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**

**يرجى ترجمة هذا
معلومات هامة**

**ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ
Переведите это, пожалуйста.**

April 18th, 2024

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



UPCOMING DATES

April 24 th	Student Led Conferences – 1:00pm EARLY DISMISSAL
May 10 th	Mayfair! Watch for more information
May 17 th	Professional Development Day – No School for Students

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL– Do1GIVE

During the month of April the sun comes out, we start to spend more time outside, and we celebrate earth day. This year we are working with [365 Give](#) during their Do1Give day campaign. This is all about giving back to your community and building kind, compassionate and happy students. Ridgeview will be doing a whole school clean-up on Friday, April 26th. Our grade seven leaders are preparing posters, presentations and leading the school to make the grounds look better than ever. We encourage you to explore 365 give and find a way to give back on Do1Give day.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES – APRIL 24TH - 1PM EARLY DISMISSAL

Our student-led conferences will take place at Ridgeview on April 24th from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Conference-style reporting is an important exchange of information between home and school. Student-led conferences are a way for you to participate in the reporting process with your child. By attending, you can gain insight to learning and assessment, heighten your awareness of your child's abilities and learn ways to support future growth. **A link to book your conference time(s) was sent out to all families on last Friday (April 12th).** Please sign up for a time to conference with your child and make arrangements for siblings so you can focus on your child when they present to you in the classroom.

STUDENT PLACEMENT INPUT REQUEST FOR 2024/2025 (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.

The driving factor that determines organization in the public school system is based on enrollment. West Vancouver School District's priority is space at each grade where possible for students to have an opportunity to attend their catchment school and/or priority choice. This is the reason Ridgeview has moved towards "multi-age classes" (otherwise known as split classes or combined classes) as have other schools in West Vancouver Schools.

Parents – please consider only making a request if there are extenuating circumstances OR to share information you feel should be considered when placing their child for the next school year.

To make a request – **please fully read the attached letter** which outline information and guidelines for making a request with the Input Form. 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 17th – late requests cannot be honoured.

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 2024/25 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.

MAYFAIR – SAVE THE DATE / SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS!

Mayfair is happening this year on Friday, May 10th after school, so please save the date. It is the district's largest school fair and a fundraiser that will involve rides, ponies, and treats for all students.

There will also be a silent auction and we are hoping families can contribute something to the auction. Please see attached information for further details on this. More information on Mayfair will be sent out soon!

GRADE 6 AND 7 BAND REGISTRATIONS IS OPEN FOR 2024-2025

Registration for elementary concert band is now open for the 2024-2025 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](#).

STUDENT ABSENCES / LATE ARRIVALS

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.

LUNCH UTENSILS – REMEMBER TO 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.**

2024 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 2024.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs is **now open**.

Elementary registration **closes on May 10**. Secondary registration closes on June 14. 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](#).

REGISTRATION FOR 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2019, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2024/25 has been open since October. Registration is also now open for all grades (including out of catchment and out of district applications). The online registration application can be found [here](#).

NEXT MEETING:
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RPAC

[RPAC Facebook](#)

HOT LUNCH COORDINATORS NEEDED!

Ridgeview Hot Lunch Program is the RPAC's most significant fundraiser, generating an average of \$30,000 each year! The funds from the program are used for a variety of projects and programs that

benefit our children. These are separate from the specific projects funded by the annual cheque writing campaign.

Thank you to all the families that have contributed to this fundraising program!

In recent years the program has been organized and solely managed by two devoted parents. Unfortunately this is the last school year our current volunteers will be managing the program.

We are calling for new volunteers to run the 2024/2025 school year!

If you're interested in details or ready to join the school volunteers' family, please reach out to us at rpacdragons@gmail.com.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM – SPRING SESSION ORDERING NOW OPEN!

Our Spring session of the hot lunch program is now open on [Munch-a-Lunch](#).

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.

The vendor choices during the spring session include the following:

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

COMMUNITY

PARENT WORKSHOP SERIES #1 - WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

Simple Solutions for building durable kids.

When: Saturday, May 4th from 10:00am – 12:00pm

Where: West Vancouver Community Centre

Who: Parents & guardians of children (ages birth to 6 years)

To register for this workshop, please email asweeney@wvschools.ca

PARENT WORKSHOP SERIES #2 - EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND US

Communication & Literacies

When: Wednesday, May 29th from 6:00-8:00pm

Where: West Vancouver Community Centre

Who: Parents & guardians of children (ages birth to 6 years)

To register for this workshop, please email asweeney@wvschools.ca

KUNG-FU KIDS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AT RIDGEVIEW

Kung-Fu Kids Spring 2024 Session @ Ridgeview (Thursdays)

Our spring class is now in session -- spots still available, late sign-ups are okay!

Still looking for an after-school program that helps your child develop speed, power, balance and coordination-- as well as gain practical skills in self-defence while having fun? Kung-Fu Kids is resuming sessions this spring! We have 2 programs available on Thursdays:

Grades K-2: 2:45pm-3:25pm (40 minutes) - Using music, games, storytelling, and kung-fu patterns (basic kicking and punching) to learn about balance, coordination, reaction, and timing to develop better focus, listening, and gross motor function skills.

Fee: \$15/class + GST (Thursdays, April 11 - June 20, total 11 classes).

6 spots available

Grades 3-7: 3:30pm-4:45pm (75 minutes) - We will begin with a general warm-up, proper stretching, body conditioning and fundamental self-defence techniques in kicking, striking, blocking, and stances/footwork. The main goal is to develop speed, accuracy and power. We will use various modern conditioning and sports equipment, as well as safety gear such as mats, striking pads and kicking shields. Level 1 Grade testing and certification is available, but optional.

Fee: \$20/class + GST (Thursdays, April 11 - June 20, total 11 classes).

6 spots available

If interested please contact James Chang (james@westcoastkungfu.ca) for questions, or to register!

GRADE K-3 MULTI-SPORT AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM AT RIDGEVIEW

This excitement filled program focuses on FUN, physical literacy and sport skill improvement through fun games and activities. Participants will move through a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, tennis, football, hockey, volleyball, handball, and more. Participants will be fully submerged in the world of sports and are bound to leave the day with a smile on their face, eager for the next day! **NOTE:** This is a non-competitive program and is suitable for athletes of any experience or level!

Dates: Mondays April 29th - June 24th (8 sessions)

Times: 2:40 - 4:10

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$240 + GST

REGISTER HERE: [Sign Up Here!](#)

JUST B4 PRESCHOOL: AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN STARTING KINDERGARTEN IN SEPTEMBER 2024

West Vancouver Schools is launching a ['Just B4' preschool early learning program](#) at the Properties Family Hub (at Chartwell Elementary). The program is geared to children who are not currently registered in a full time childcare/preschool setting – it would be a perfect stepping stone of independence for any child entering Kindergarten in September 2024. For more information or to register, please email Laine Anderson (District Vice Principal of Early Learning and Childcare) at LAnderson@wvschools.ca.

ACTIVITIES AT WEST VANCOUVER COMMUNITY CENTRE/GLENEAGLES CENTRE

Spring Term General Recreation Programs have begun:

Adult American Sign Language (NEW!), Beginner French, Indigenous Arts & Culture, Science, Chess, etc: www.westvancouver.ca/learning

Music for Various Ages: [<http://www.westvancouver..ca/music>]www.westvancouver..ca/music

Pro-D Day Camps (May 17): [Visit here.](#)

Important Dates:

Summer Camp Registrations Open on Wednesday, May 1st.

www.westvancouver.ca/camps

Other Summer program Registrations open on Wednesday, June 19th.

Browse all your recreation activities and programs here:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers

COMMUNITY – SUMMER CAMPS

WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

The WVBC is proud to be offering its 16th year of summer camps this July and August. This year, the WVBC will be offering 4 weeks of camps beginning July 8 for players in Grades 2-10. All camps will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by former Canadian Men's National Team player and WVS Teacher/ Basketball Academy Head Coach Greg Meldrum. To view the full schedule of camps and to register, please go to <http://www.wvbc.ca>

AMANDA'S SUMMER OUTDOOR ADVENTURES (AGES 6-12)

Get ready for a summer filled with adventure, fun, and new friendships! We're excited to invite your children to join us for our outdoor summer camp experience. The camp is designed to provide a safe and enriching environment where kids can explore, learn, and create lasting memories. Camps run

Mon-Fri from 8:30am-4:30pm. Please see attached flyer for more information and/or email amandasummeradventures@gmail.com to register.