



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 ਇਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲੰਕਾ 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>يرجى ترجمة هذا معلومات هامة</p> <p>ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ Переведите это, пожалуйста.</p>
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October 17th, 2024

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UPCOMING DATES

- October 18/19th RPAC Family Photoshoot
- October 23rd Deadline for Ordering Ridgeview Spirit/Sportswear (see below)
- October 24th Deadline for Ordering Individual Photos
- October 25th Professional Development Day (No Classes for Students)
- October 30th RPAC Halloween Dance
Primary 4:30 – 6:00pm / Intermediate 6:30 – 8:00pm
See below for more information
- October 31st Halloween Parade 9:00am - Parent can view in the hallways
- November 1st Delayed Start for School at 10:30am
- November 6th Individual Photo Retakes

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL – GRADE 6 INDIGENOUS CAMP PROGRAM

Our Grade 6's enjoyed an extended day at the Indigenous Cultural Camp Program at Cheakamus Centre last week (see "X" post). Students ("mun muns" in the Squamish Language means children) participated in an interpretative cedar walk as well as engaged with activities like cedar

bark weaving, indigenous games and traditional hunting and fishing. We spent time in the long house making Bannock as well as soup using hot stones from the fire. The Grade 6's also listened to a local Indigenous legend and shared what they were grateful for during the closing ceremony.

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 Tuesday, October 29th**:

Kindergarten: Crackers and Granola Bars

Grade 1: Tea, Coffee, Hot Cocoa

Grade 2: Rice, Cereal, Oatmeal

Grade 3: Dried Pasta, Canned/Jarred Sauce

Division 7/8: Canned Fruit & Vegetables

Division 5/6: Canned Tuna/Salmon, Beans, Chickpeas

Division 3/4: Canned (or Tetra Pack) Soup, Chilis, Stews

Division 1/2: Peanut Butter, Jam & Honey

RIDGEVIEW SPIRIT/SPORTS WEAR!

Ridgeview Spirit/Sports Wear is back and orders are now open on [Munch a Lunch](#) (under "Fundraising") **until October 23rd**.

Represent your school and show your dragon spirit! Profits from the sales go back to all students through the PAC. See attached flyer for more information.

Thank you for your support!

HALLOWEEN DANCE AT RIDGEVIEW SPONSORED BY RPAC

We are excited to share news about our first **Ridgeview Halloween Dance** event on **October 30th**. The dance will feature a live DJ with snacks, and glow props available for purchase.

The event is divided into two time slots: **Kindergarten to Grade 4** students from 4:30-6:00pm, and **Grade 5 to Grade 7** students from 6:30-8:00pm. We encourage all students to attend with a parent or guardian. Tickets can be pre-purchased on [Munch a Lunch](#) for \$3 per attendee. This will help us better plan for the event.

There will be great deals on snack and glow prop coupons leading up to the event. Coupons are available for \$1 per coupon or \$4 for a pack of 5. However, the prices will be higher on the day of the event, with coupons costing \$1.50 each.

The pricing for the various items at the event is as follows:

- Drinks: 2 coupons
- Candy bags: 3 coupons
- Popcorn: 3 coupons
- Glow Props: 3 coupons

Thank you for your support in making this event a success. If you would like to volunteer on the day of the dance, please sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/jioTtVG>
Ridgeview PAC

HALLOWEEN PARADE AT RIDGEVIEW (GR K-7)

We are planning on holding our **Halloween Parade on Thursday, October 31st at 9:00 am.**

As we approach Halloween, we would encourage all students that even with a “spooky holiday,” we wanted to include a reminder to be safe and respectful at school. Costumes should be trauma-sensitive (given world events) and that costumes based on race, culture, religion, gender, trauma, or those that include masks, gore, blood, and weapons are not appropriate. We encourage a good sense of humour and creativity, and we have to remember that our youngest students are sensitive to overly gory and scary masks or fake weapons.

We will be parading inside, and parents can gather in the hallways to view the parade walk through. We will host an assembly afterwards for students only due to limited space.

If a teacher is planning on additional Halloween events, they may reach out to the Room Parents for specifics. Teachers may also be messaging families directly if needed.

We hope everyone will have a safe Halloween evening and a reminder that the **next day (November 1st) is a delayed start at 10:30 am for all students.** This late arrival seems to work after a mid-week Halloween evening. There is no loss of instructional time – this is factored into the year schedule.

STUDENT ABSENCES / LATE ARRIVALS / EARLY PICK UPS (GR K-7)

It is extremely important that student absences/late arrivals be reported to the school office BEFORE 9:00am 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.

Also, although we discourage the disruption of students being picked up during class time, we understand it is sometimes necessary. Should you require to pick your child up early, it is always best to email their teacher (and copy the office) in advance so that they are aware. Thank you for your cooperation.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTO ORDERS / PHOTO RETAKES (GR K-7)

Students who had their photo taken earlier this month will have now come home with a photo proof which includes instructions on how to order photos should you choose to. Please note that the ordering deadline is October 24th. If your child missed the original photo date or should you wish your child’s photo to be retaken, please be sure your child knows to have their photo taken on November 6th.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER (GR K-7)

We have been so fortunate to have such amazing weather so far but more typical Fall weather is upon us. 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.

REGISTRATION FOR ALL KINDERGARTEN & IN-CATCHMENT ONLY GR 1-12 FOR 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN!

If you, or anyone you know, has a child born in 2020, please note that registration for Kindergarten 2025/26 is now open. Registration is also open for any **in-catchment** families with children going into Grades 1-12. The online registration application can be found [here](#). **Please note out of catchment Grade 1-7 registrations are not accepted until January 15, 2025.**

If your child is going into Grade 8 and your first-choice high school is the one that your school feeds into (Ridgeview's feeder high school is West Vancouver Secondary), you are not required to complete an online application (regardless of where you live). WVSS school counsellors will be visiting Ridgeview in early spring and distributing transfer/course selection forms at that time.

HOWEVER, if your first choice for secondary school is somewhere other than WVSS, you must complete an online application according to [admissions timelines](#) (Oct 15th for in-catchment / Jan 15th for out of catchment).

For more information about admissions dates, guidelines, and information, please visit <https://westvancouver.schools.ca/admissions/>. Please carefully read the information regarding new documentation procedures before starting the application process.

NEXT VIRTUAL MEETING:
Nov 6th @ 7PM

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FAMILY PHOTOSHOOT FUNDRAISER

Sarah Jane Photography is back!

October 18th and 19th – Very limited spots available! [Book here](#)

Thank you for your support!

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HOT LUNCH

Ordering is done through [Munch a Lunch](#).

The school lunch program, run by parent volunteers, is one of the Ridgeview Advisory Council's (RPAC) biggest fundraisers. Last year over \$30,000 was raised! The funds from the lunch program are used for a variety of projects and programs that benefit our children. The program runs daily but you can order as little or as much as you want! For example, one item per week or lunch everyday!

We are excited to kick off the year with the same vendors and food days as 2024/2025:

Monday - Domino's Pizza

Tuesday- Presto Catering

Wednesday- White Spot

Thursday- Well Fed

Friday- Domino's Pizza

Reminder- Utensils are not provided for Hot Lunch! Please make sure to send cutlery with your child.

Fall/Winter Hot Lunch Session- Important Dates:

Ordering Opening Day for Session #1: Friday, September 6th

Ordering Closing Day for Session #1: Friday, December 13th, 2024

First day of Hot Lunch for Session #1: Monday, September 16th, 2024

Last day of Hot Lunch Session #1: Friday, January 17th, 2025

Ordering for Hot Lunch Session #2: opens: Monday, December 16th, 2024

Ordering Deadline:

There's a **strict 8-day cut-off for ordering**. For example, to order for Monday, September 16th, 2024 orders should be submitted by Sunday, September 8th, 2024.

Please email ridgeviewlunch@gmail.com with any questions.

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

NEW! How We Share Community News and Events

We are changing how we share community news and events. Starting now, individual "Community Connections" will no longer be included in our school bulletins. Instead, all local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) that we'll update and share with you each week.

All school-specific information will continue to be featured in our regular ebulletin.