



### RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY = E-BULLETIN



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE HAVE THIS TRANSLATED

RENSEIGNEMENTS IMPORTANTS Prière de les faire traduire.

重要資料 請找人爲你翻譯

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 번약해 주십시오

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG Xin nhờ người dịch hộ

ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ

ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲੱਬਾ 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 ترجمة هذا **معلومات هامة** 

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ Переведите это, пожалуйста.

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

School Website

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District Website







## **UPCOMING DATES**

January 24<sup>th</sup> Ridgeview Spirit/Sports Wear Day! (see below)

January 27<sup>th</sup> Professional Development Day (No School for Students)

January 31<sup>st</sup> Lunar New Year Assemblies 9:15am / 10:45am (see below)

February 12<sup>th</sup> RPAC General Meeting (Virtual) with Guest Speaker on AI @7:00pm

(see below)

February 14<sup>th</sup> Reading Break – School Closed
February 17<sup>th</sup> Family Day Holiday – School Closed

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### THE PROUD PRINCIPAL—CHEQUE WRITING CAMPAIGN

**It starts today!** Our RPAC, in conjunction with the school, will also be hosting the 2025 Cheque Writing Campaign from January 23 – February 7th. Our focus will be to beautify the outside of our grounds with more seating (benches) as well as supplementing student learning with additional

resources and opportunities for our students. If you wish to support this campaign and our school, please see the attached letter.

#### **LUNAR NEW YEAR 2025**

We have been working with a small committee to recognize the Lunar New Year – the Year of the Snake.

We are currently planning for two assemblies on January 31st. Our primary assembly will be at 9:15 am while the intermediate assembly will be at 10:45 am. A group of Grade Seven students will be learning to drum and perform to recognize this significant cultural event in addition to a Kung Fu demonstration and more. We will have limited space for parents to join us in the back of the gym.

### RIDGEVIEW SPIRIT/SPORTS WEAR DAY - TOMORROW

We are celebrating Ridgeview on Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> with embracing school pride – wear your new Ridgeview Dragon Sportswear and /or wear purple, teal, silver (gray)! Go Dragons go!

### **Do1GIVE**

Today, I was incredibly proud of our Grade seven students as they presented to a group of district principals about their involvement in Do1Give and the power of giving back. Sterling, Brooklyn, Sofie, Avin, Jaden and Ryan spoke passionately about how even small acts of kindness can create meaningful change, sharing examples of how they've helped the community with pride and purpose. Their ability to speak on the importance of generosity, compassion, and service left everyone inspired. These students truly embody the spirit of Do1Give by demonstrating leadership and a commitment to making the world a better place, one act of kindness at a time. Seeing their confidence and enthusiasm reminds us how impactful it is to cultivate empathy and encourage our students to be change-makers. Great work, Grade 7s—you've made us all proud! Do1Give day is set for April 24, 2025 and our school will be participating again to make a difference. Thank you to Jacqueline Way for her ongoing support with this campaign.

### SPORTS EXPLORERS SPRING/SUMMER CAMP

See below on some exciting information regarding our after school program Sports Explorers!

We're thrilled to announce that **Private Coaching Co (PCC)** has partnered with **SportsWeek** to bring the highest quality multi-sport camps in Canada to the North Shore! Together, we're combining our resources to ensure our expert level coaches (many of whom your athletes have worked with over the last couple of years) create unforgettable camp experiences for young athletes as we champion skill development, sportsmanship, and a lifelong love of physical activity.

#### **Spring Break and Summer Camp Registration is NOW OPEN!**

The unique multi-sport camps for kids between the ages of 5-12 years are founded by Physical Education teachers who work alongside our expert level coaches to ensure that your child thrives during their time with us. During last Summer, all 225 slots of SportsWeek Camps sold out during the summer of 2024 so be sure to secure your spot soon!

Ready to sign up? F Visit the SportsWeek Registration Page

We can't wait to see your kids on the field, court, or wherever their adventure takes them this Spring Break and Summer!

#### **IGNITE CHOIR**

We are excited to announce that applications are now open for the Junior Ignite District Choir, a premier program offered by West Vancouver Schools for students in grades 5 through 7. This exceptional opportunity is designed for young students who have a passion for singing and wish to develop their vocal talents in a supportive and dynamic environment.

The Junior Ignite District Choir focuses on:

- Vocal Training: Enhancing students' singing abilities through professional instruction.
- **Musical Education**: Building a strong foundation in music theory and choral performance.
- Community Engagement: Providing opportunities to perform at various events, fostering a sense of community and teamwork.

We encourage all interested parents to visit our website for detailed information on program specifics, application procedures, and important dates: Junior Ignite District Choir.

Don't miss this chance to inspire your child's musical journey. Apply now and let their voices shine!

### REMEMBER TO PACK LUNCH UTENSILS FROM HOME (GR K-7)

A reminder to please 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. **Utensils are not provided with hot lunch and we do not have utensils available in the office.** 

### 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.

### **DISTRICT WEATHER CLOSURES AND PROCEDURES**

As winter approaches, the likelihood of school disruptions due to snowfall or power outages increases. As such, we would like to provide you with some important information about the district's weather closure of schools procedures and announcements process.

The district aims to keep schools open on every regular instructional day, including those with snowfall. However, the final decision to send students to school resides with the parent or guardian since they are most familiar with the specific road and weather conditions around their home and community.

### **Weather Closure of Schools (Outside School Hours)**

Any decision to close schools for the safety of children will be made by the Superintendent. Parents, students, and staff will be informed of the Superintendent's decision via: the school district website at www.westvancouverschools.ca and a School Messenger email

We endeavour to communicate this information to parents and staff by 6:00 a.m. on the day of closure.

### **Weather Closure of Schools (During School Hours)**

If weather conditions create a concern for the safety of students returning home, the school principal can decide to dismiss school early after consulting with the Superintendent. The decision will be communicated to parents and students using the school's normal communication systems.

Student safety is our first priority. Every effort will be made to keep schools open, but parents are encouraged to establish a plan for their children in the event of early dismissal or school closure.

As always, please refer to this section of the district website for the latest information.

School closures may also appear on several local news sources including:

News 1130 <a href="http://www.news1130.com/">http://www.news1130.com/</a>
CKNW 98 <a href="http://www.cknw.com/news/">http://www.cknw.com/news/</a>
Global TV <a href="http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/">http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/</a>

CBC http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia

### REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration is open for all Grades living in catchment, in district and out of district. The online registration application can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

**NEXT MEETING: F**EB 12<sup>™</sup> **@ 7**PM

**RPAC** 

**RPAC Facebook** 

### FEBRUARY 12TH RPAC GENERAL MEETING ONLINE @ 7:00 PM

We are excited to have Ms. Cari Wilson, the Vice Principal of Innovation and Technology for our District (and former teacher at Ridgeview), be our guest at this meeting. She will explore how schools are getting ahead and using AI, when AI is appropriate, and the benefits of integrating technology with the learning. Ms. Wilson regularly post a blog for our District – here is her latest post: <a href="https://thisthattuesdaystechnologytips.wordpress.com/">https://thisthattuesdaystechnologytips.wordpress.com/</a>. Please join us for this experience. The Zoom link for this meeting will be sent out closer to the date.

### HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER FOR NEXT TERM NOW OPEN!

We are excited to announce that one Ridgeview's most profitable fundraisers is open for a new session of ordering! You can customize your participation by ordering as few or as many items or days as you wish.

Ordering is done through Munch a Lunch.

All proceeds go toward supporting our school's PAC programs and activities.

Important Dates:

- Order Deadline (to receive lunch on January 20th): Sunday, January 12th
- First Delivery: Monday, January 20th

Do not miss out on this opportunity to support our school while enjoying a convenient lunch option.

Order today and thank you for your continued support!

Please email ridgeviewlunch@gmail.com with any questions.

The Hot Lunch Team

# **COMMUNITY**

## How We Share Community News and Events

All local programs, events, and resources can be found <u>HERE</u>.