



RIDGEVIEW  
ELEMENTARY

## RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN



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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**  
ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉੱਲਾ 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.

# February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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



## UPCOMING DATES

February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Reading Break – School Closed
February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Family Day Holiday – School Closed
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Nowruz Parent Planning Meeting at 8:45am in the library
February 24 <sup>th</sup>	Card Project Ordering Opens (see below)
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	Pink Shirt Day

## SCHOOL NEWS

### THE PROUD PRINCIPAL– KINDNESS

We sincerely appreciate your support for the RPAC and our school through the 2025 Cheque Writing Campaign. Thanks to your generosity, we raised \$7,500 to benefit our school. Your contributions make a meaningful difference, and we are truly grateful.

A special thank you to Jacqueline Way and our dedicated Grade 7 parents for organizing a fantastic [Grade 7 Valentine's Day Dance](#). In addition, each class participated in a school-wide kindness initiative, creating large posters filled with student messages of kindness on paper hearts. These

have been assembled into a beautiful mosaic, now on display in our gym, showcasing our shared commitment to kindness and respect.

Our staff have also been actively recognizing acts of kindness throughout the school. Students caught demonstrating kindness, helpfulness, and respect are receiving **Caught Being Kind** cards, which will be displayed on bulletin boards across the school. We will also be sharing the names of recognized students as part of our ongoing celebration of positive actions.

Looking ahead, Division 4 will be sharing the story behind Pink Shirt Day on the announcements and leading the school in a **Pink Shirt Day Flash Mob** on February 26th at 11:00 AM on the basketball court (weather permitting). We look forward to seeing our students come together in support of this important message!

Thank you for fostering a culture of kindness and community at Ridgeview!

### **NOWRUZ PARENT PLANNING MEETING**

Our next cultural event we recognize is Nowruz – set for Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. I'd like to meet any parents wishing to help the school plan for the event. Please meet me (Mr. Zerbe) in the library on Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> after drop off at 8:45 am.

### **THE CARD PROJECT IS BACK!**

Our students have been busy creating beautiful art for this exciting RPAC fundraiser. There will be many products for purchase with your child's artwork! Ordering will open on February 24<sup>th</sup> at [www.TheCardProject.ca](http://www.TheCardProject.ca) (use code RV91). Please see attached flyer for more information.

### **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](mailto: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.

### **LATE FRENCH IMMERSION OPEN HOUSE (STUDENTS GOING INTO GR 6 NEXT YEAR)**

Families who have a student currently in Grade 5 are invited to join Ecole Pauline Johnson's Late French Immersion Open House.

When: Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> / 3:30-4:00pm

Where: Ecole Pauline Johnson (1150 22<sup>nd</sup> St, WV)

Contact: Tara Zielinski at 604-981-1225 / [tzielinski@wvschools.ca](mailto:tzielinski@wvschools.ca)

Please see [HERE](#) for more information on the WV Schools Late French Immersion Program.

### **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!

## 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? 🙌 [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!

## 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.westvancouver.schools.ca](http://www.westvancouver.schools.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 <http://www.news1130.com/>  
CKNW 98 <http://www.cknw.com/news/>  
Global TV <http://globalnews.ca/live/bc/>  
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 [here](#).

**NEXT MEETING:**  
FEB 12<sup>TH</sup> @ 7PM

**RPAC**

[RPAC Facebook](#)

### **HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER FOR THIS 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 20<sup>th</sup>): 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](mailto: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 [HERE](#).