



## 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 번역해 주십시오

CHỈ DẪN QUAN TRỌNG Xin nhờ người dịch họ

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.

# September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

School Website
RPAC Facebook
District Website







# **UPCOMING DATES**

September 12<sup>th</sup> Meet My Principal @ 1:00pm in the gym for parents before...

Meet My Teacher Grades 1-7 @ 2:00pm (2:00pm Early Dismissal

for Gr. 1-7)

Kindergarten Meet My Teacher @ 11:40am

September 15<sup>th</sup> Individual / Class Photos September 19<sup>th</sup> Terry Fox Run – 11:00am

September 26<sup>th</sup> Professional Development Day – **No classes for Students** 

September 29<sup>th</sup> Orange Shirt Day

September 30<sup>th</sup> Truth and Reconciliation Day (School Closed)

October 1<sup>st</sup> Virtual Parent/Teacher Interviews (K-7) **12:00pm Early Dismissal**October 2<sup>nd</sup> Virtual Parent/Teacher Interviews (K-7) **12:00pm Early Dismissal** 

# **SCHOOL NEWS**

## **TERRY FOX CAMPAIGN @ RIDGEVIEW**

All students are encouraged to donate a toonie for Terry! We kicked off our campaign to raise money for cancer research today at our Terry Fox Assembly (see post on "X") where students had

the chance to listen to our guest motivational speaker and board member, Anna Slonickova from the Terry Fox Foundation – <u>check out who she is!</u> Student presenters, Seb, James, Nickan, Annie, Paige, Sara, Nikki, Sana and Kira, emceed the assembly with important messaging.

Join us on September 19th for our annual Terry Fox Run at Ridgeview at 11:00 am! We're encouraging each student to bring a toonie to support this important cause and help us reach our fundraising goal of 800 dollars. Every toonie counts in the fight against cancer, and your participation will make a big difference. Let's come together as a community and honor Terry Fox's legacy of hope and determination! Students can bring a donation any day between now and September 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Personal Digital Device Required - (GR 4-7)

Please ensure that if your child is entering Grade 4 (or a new Grade 5, 6 or 7 student), that they have access to a device that they bring to school every day (charged). We are a "Bring Your Own Device" school district. A Google Chromebook is the best recommendation. Students will access Google Education Suite and will be given a WVS account to use for classroom learning in the intermediate years that is monitored by the teacher. Students will need to also access their account for homework and group assignments in the coming years. Please charge your device every night – we do not have cables and limited computers to loan out.

## 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  $12^{th}$  for **Meet My Teacher Event**. Teachers will be hosting an open house style session starting at 2:00 pm for you to meet your child's new teacher as well as to see their new learning space. If you have more than one child, please ensure you leave enough time to visit all their new classrooms before 2:40. This opportunity 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. Roughley) at **1:00 pm** for a high-level overview of our school organization, academic priorities, social emotional strategies, and tips for success at home. This session will be in the gym at 1:00 pm 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. This is a great opportunity to see the classroom and the teacher. During this time teachers will be able to share some information with you.

## PHOTO DAY ON MONDAY!

A reminder that Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> is photo day – both individual and class photos will take place throughout the day.

## STUDENT INFORMATION / FORMS (GR K-7)

To ensure a safe and successful start to the school year, we ask you to complete two important forms for each student in your household. Both forms must be submitted. Without them, your child's participation in activities throughout the school and classroom will be limited.

## 1. Student Verification Form (paper copy was sent home last Friday)

Review the information we have on file for your child in MyEducationBC

- Make any changes directly on the form. Please make sure the new information is clear and easy to read. Additional space is available at the bottom if required.
- Sign and date the form, even if no changes have been made
- Return to your child's teacher

## IMPORTANT - Emergency Contact Section (NEW – will replace the previous pink forms)

- Only contacts listed will be authorized to pick up your child in the event of an emergency
- All emergency contacts must be 19+ years and aware of this role
- We recommend including at least one trusted contact who lives nearby
- In the event of a broad emergency, the school may implement a controlled release of students to ensure their safety and well-being. If this becomes necessary:
- Students will only be released to parents/guardians or emergency contacts listed on the form. If necessary, students may be released to authorized medical personnel
- Accurate emergency contact information is essential for your child's safety. Please ensure this section is accurate and up to date.

# If you make any changes to the following information, <u>you must provide supporting</u> documents:

- Home address
- Parental responsibility
- Legal or medical alerts
- Citizenship

A list of acceptable documents is available at

https://westvancouverschools.ca/admissions/required-documentation/ Staff may request additional documentation at their discretion.

Please upload documents electronically using the secure upload link here: https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Form/StudentDocuments

If supporting documentation is not provided, changes will NOT be made in MyEducationBC, the official student information system used by school districts and the provincial government to maintain a student's permanent record.

## 2. Complete the Online Policies & Procedures Form (online)

https://eforms.sd45.bc.ca/Account/Login?rr=Form/PandP

Parents must complete a new Policies and Procedures form for each child in their household every school year.

Failure to submit this form will limit your child's participation in classroom and school activities.

#### The form covers:

- Basic student information
- Permissions for school activities and programs
- Permissions for technology and digital recourse use

Release of limited personal information

Thank you for your attention to these important steps. By completing these two actions, you help us support a safe, responsive, and well-organized learning environment for all students.

## **ADDITIONAL SCHOOL FORMS**

As in the past, in addition to the above forms, your child will be coming home with the following two paper forms:

#### 1. Blue Form - Consent for Room Parent Email Communications

Please indicate on this form whether or not you wish to be included in an email distribution list that will be available to your child's Classroom Parent for the purpose of communicating class and school information only.

#### 2. Yellow Form -Technology User Agreement

Students will have the privilege of using digital devices as part of their learning at Ridgeview. Please review this Agreement with your child, sign and return.

## 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.

## 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 Code of Conduct must be read as a family, signed, cut off and returned to the classroom teacher. The agendas will be given to students (in Grades 1-7) this afternoon or tomorrow. Please go to <a href="SchoolCash Online">SchoolCash Online</a> to pay \$17 for this item.

## **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.

## **OPTIONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR FAMILIES**

West Vancouver Schools reminds families each year that personal injury or accident costs are not covered by the district or its insurance provider. To help protect against expenses from accidental injury, unexpected medical costs, or critical illness, families have the option to purchase voluntary accident insurance plans. A variety of providers offer different levels of coverage, so families are encouraged to review their options carefully and choose a plan that best meets their needs.

## WELCOME BACK TO HOT LUNCH! ORDERING NOW OPEN!

Welcome Back to School! We are excited to kick off the 2025/2026 Hot Lunch Session! Tired of making lunches every day? We have got you covered!

Our Hot Lunch Program is not only convenient but is also one of the most important fundraisers for our school.

Thanks to our amazing team of volunteers, dedicated school staff, and supportive local vendors, **lunch is available daily**.

#### What's New This Year?

We are thrilled to welcome three new vendors:

- Aburi Market
- Parse
- Cornelia Fine Tacos

Do not worry, White Spot Wednesdays and Dominos Pizza Fridays are still on the menu!

#### **Solution** Order What You Want When You Want

You can order as much or as little as you like, and the best part?

All proceeds go directly toward important PAC initiatives that benefit our students and school community.

## **III** Ordering is Now Open

#### Ordering is done through Munch a Lunch

Ordering Deadline: Orders must be placed 8 days in advance.

Let's make it a great year, one lunch at a time!

Reminder- Utensils are not provided for Hot Lunch (and not provided by the office). Please make sure to send cutlery with your child.

If you have any questions, please contact us at ridgeviewlunch@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting Ridgeview through the Hot Lunch program!

#### **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

## How We Share Community News and Events

All local programs, events, and resources can be found HERE.

#### KUNG-FU KIDS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM AT RIDGEVIEW

Looking for an afterschool 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 fall!

We have 2 programs available on Thursdays after school in the Ridgeview gymnasium starting on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

See attached flyer for more information and/or contact James Chang (james@westcoastkungfu.ca) for questions, or to register!

## SPORT EXPLORERS: DEVELOPMENT (GR 1-4)

Sports Explorers Development allows athletes to build on their fundamental skills by focusing on sport specific skill development and tactical understanding. Athletes will refine techniques such as passing, dribbling, shooting, and defending.

Coaches introduce key concepts like teamwork, spacing, and communication, encouraging athletes to think critically and make decisions during active gameplay. This program prepares young athletes for higher levels of physical education and organized sport.

Location: Ridgeview Gym

Dates: Sept 15th - December 15th (NO RUN DATES: October 13th, Nov 10th & 24th, December 8th)

**Time**: 2:45pm - 4:15pm (Mondays)

Registration Link: <a href="https://privatecoachingco.uplifterinc.com/registration/product-detail/RidgeviewSED(1-4)Term1-2025">https://privatecoachingco.uplifterinc.com/registration/product-detail/RidgeviewSED(1-4)Term1-2025</a>

## KAY MEEK CULTURE DAY - SEPTEMBER 21st

Backstage Pass: Kay Meek Arts Centre Open House

We're giving you a Backstage Pass to the Kay Meek! It's time to go behind the scenes at our @bcculturedays Open House on Sunday, September 21st.

Experience the Kay Meek as you've never seen it before, as we open up our backstage areas for you to explore and give you the opportunity to take to the stage.

- Take a look around our theatres
- Sing your favourite karaoke songs on stage
- Live jazz music from the @pressley.murillo.music Trio
- Enter our Ticket Giveaway
- Find out more about the Kay Meek
- Meet the team

## 🐧 Refreshments in our sunny atrium

Join us for a lively afternoon of music, conversation, and family-friendly activities in your local community!

Make a note of all the details below:

Sunday, September 21

**2**:00 PM − 5:00 PM

₱ 1700 Mathers Avenue, West Vancouver

✓ Free Entry!