



RIDGEVIEW  
ELEMENTARY

## RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY E-BULLETIN



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

बिना बरबरे बिसे बेक़ हिस दा छेडवा बरबार्ड ।

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

Busque alguien que le traduzca.

اطلاعات مهم و سودمند

لطفاً از یک نفر بخواهید که برای شما ترجمه کند

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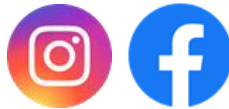
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معلومات هامة

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ  
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

# January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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



## UPCOMING DATES

January 30<sup>th</sup>

Professional Development Day – No School for Students

## SCHOOL NEWS

### THE PROUD VICE PRINCIPAL

With the beautiful sunshine we have been enjoying today, it has been great to see so much energy and joy around the school. As part of my role as Vice Principal, I have the pleasure of leading gym classes on Wednesdays and Fridays for many of our classes, and it has been a highlight of my week to be active alongside our students.

This past Wednesday, our Kindergarten to Grade 5 students were thrilled to participate in the Jr. Canucks Floor Hockey program. Students had a fantastic time building their floor hockey skills, staying active, and practicing positive sportsmanship in a fun, supportive, and inclusive environment. The excitement and engagement in the gym truly reflected the joy of movement and teamwork.

This wonderful program is generously supported by the Canucks for Kids Fund, which helps ensure children across British Columbia have access to opportunities that support health, wellness,

education, and grassroots sport. We are very grateful for this partnership and the positive experiences it brings to our students.

As we continue to enjoy this beautiful stretch of weather, we encourage families to take advantage of the sunshine and find time to move together. Whether it is a walk along the Seawall, a family bike ride in the neighbourhood, or even an adventure snowshoeing on Cypress, these moments of movement support healthy lifestyles and meaningful connections. Thank you for helping us reinforce the importance of staying active, balanced, and well, both at school and at home.

Warmly,  
Megan Roughley

### 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.

### DRESS FOR THE WEATHER/ PLAN FOR SAFE ROUTE HOME (Gr K-7)

As more typical winter weather is upon us, please ensure your child is prepared to go outside in all weather conditions **when they leave the house in the morning**. We also strongly encourage every student to have a set of extra clothes (including socks/shoes) at school should they 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.

Now that the time change has occurred and we have less light at the end of the day, please ensure your child(ren) have a safe plan to get home. After 4 o'clock, it's becoming dark outside and students should be heading home sooner than they would when we had better weather and longer days. Please adjust your routine accordingly.

### EARLY PICK UPS (Gr K-7)

To avoid disruptions during class time, we encourage families to schedule appointments outside of school hours, however, we understand it is occasionally unavoidable. Should it be necessary to pick your child up early on the odd occasion, **please be sure to email their teacher (and copy the office) in advance so the teacher is aware to help minimize disruption**. Thank you for your cooperation.

## FEEDING FUTURES

As part of the Ministry of Education and Childcare [Feeding Futures initiative](#), the West Vancouver School District has established a food security structure to confidentially assist students and families. The West Vancouver School District Food Security Plan will help students and families by providing confidential financial support for families facing food insecurity. Families are encouraged to reach out directly to their school principal or to [feedingfutures@wvschools.ca](mailto:feedingfutures@wvschools.ca) if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

## WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS

K-12 admission applications for both in-district and out-of-district students opens on January 15! If you have students in your family or network who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.

West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student. To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: [West Vancouver Schools Admissions](#)

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

## DISTRICT WEATHER CLOSURES AND PROCEDURES (Gr K-7)

Winter weather increases the likelihood of school disruptions due to snowfall or power outages. The following information outlines the district's procedures and announcement process for weather-related school closures.

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/guardian, as 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/guardians, 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 from the district.

Efforts are made to communicate this information to parents/guardians 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 may decide to dismiss school early after consulting with the Superintendent.

The decision will be communicated to parents/guardians and students using the school's normal communication systems.

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

For the latest information, refer to [this section of the website](#).

Please note that school closures may also appear on West Vancouver social media platforms and local news sources.

Chris Kennedy  
Superintendent of Schools  
West Vancouver Schools

**NEXT VIRTUAL MEETING:  
TBD IN FEBRUARY**

**RPAC**

[RPAC Facebook](#)

### **RPAC GENERAL MEETING RESCHEDULED**

The RPAC General Meeting originally scheduled for January 14<sup>th</sup> will be rescheduled for a later date in February (exact date to be determined).

### **RIDGEVIEW HOT LUNCH – NEW TERM OPEN FOR ORDERING!**

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**.

#### **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.

#### **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](mailto: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](#).

## **DPAC PARENT EVENING ON EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING**

This parent session is to learn how to help your child build academic success by exploring time management, task prioritization, long-term project planning and development of independent learning habits. See attached flyer for more information and/or to register.

When: Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm

Where: Kay Meek Theatre (1700 Mathers Ave, WV)

Please register [HERE](#) / Cost: \$20

## **GRADE 4-7 LITERACY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS**

Parents and caregivers are invited to an evening focused on strengthening literacy foundations for academic success. Learn practical strategies and resources to support reading, learning, and independence across subjects.

When: Tuesday, Jan 27 | 5:30–6:45 p.m.

Where: Welsh Hall, West Vancouver Memorial Library Grade 4–7 Literacy Workshop for

Register [here!](#)

## **WVML DIGITAL RESOURCES**

Please find the WVML January/February e-newsletter for kids, families and educators [here](#). They have lots going on, including a brand new digital resource for French language practice for kids ages 4-11, Lunar New Year and Lantern Festival celebrations and programming on School's Out days.

## **WEST VAN RUN! MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup>**

We invite students and families to take part in this fun, community run and enjoy special discounted registration. Parents and students can register for \$45 using the code **WVSCHOOLS**, and children can join the Kids 1K for \$15 using the code **WVKIDS**. These codes can also be used by other family members who would like to participate.

Whether you prefer walking, jogging, or running, this event welcomes all ages and abilities. It's a great way for families to be active together and supports our shared commitment to health and well-being across West Vancouver Schools.

Register here - <https://www.westvanrun.com/schools>