



RIDGEVIEW  
ELEMENTARY

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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  
ਇਹਨਾਂ ਬਾਰੇ ਜਿਸੇ ਕੋਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਾ ਉਲਛਾ ਕਰਵਾਓ।

INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE  
Busque alguien que le traduzca.

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لطفاً از یک نفر بخواهید که برای شما ترجمه کند

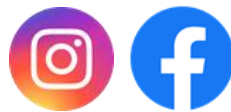
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Isalin sa wikang tagalog kung hindi maintindihan

يرجى ترجمة هذا  
معلومات هامة

ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ  
Переведите это, пожалуйста.

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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



UPCOMING DATES

March 13<sup>th</sup> Learning Update #2 (Reports) Posted on MyEd Family Portal  
March 16-27<sup>th</sup> Spring Break (School Closed) – Reopens March 30<sup>th</sup>

SCHOOL NEWS

THE PROUD PRINCIPAL – LUNAR NEW YEAR 2026 / Grade 7 Basketball

LUNAR NEW YEAR APPRECIATION. A sincere thank you to our organizing parents (mentioned by name below) that helped and supported two Lunar New Year assemblies. It showcased Division 2 performing the lion dance and drumming which took 6 weeks to prepare, as well as a Kung Fu demonstration from Ridgeview students. Special thanks to James for all of his time and diligence with these performances. Students also enjoyed a fashion show representing different Chinese ethnic designs – and we want to thank Ying who donated the costumes as well as to Erin, who choreograph their runway walk and dance routine. A seniors’ Tibetan dance group performed and was arranged by Irene. Our Grade 4/5 choir sang a song in Chinese that represents the spring flowing of Jasmine led by our music teacher, Ms. Shilpa. All students received a beautiful Year of the Horse bookmark arranged by Shawn and Lucy. Happy Lunar New Year everyone!

BASKETBALL UPDATE. Our Grade 7 girls and boys basketball teams played in the WVS Final Tournament this week. The girls placed 6<sup>th</sup> yesterday and represented our school very proudly in terms of spirit and athletic play. Thank you to Ms. Roughley for coaching. The boys are set to play this afternoon, and we wish them good luck! Thank you to Ms. Johl and Ms. Sharma for coaching. Go Dragons go!

## THE CARD PROJECT IS BACK – ORDERING OPEN ONLINE!

Your child should have come home with a sample of their card project artwork. There are many wonderful items to order besides greeting cards, such as tote bags, notebooks, mugs, tea towels, and more! To view your child's artwork online and to order, please visit:

[www.TheCardProject.ca](http://www.TheCardProject.ca) (use access code RV91)

Deadline for orders is **SUNDAY, MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**

This is a fantastic fundraising initiative for our school. Not only will you receive beautiful items that make great gifts and keepsakes with your child's artwork, the school receives 20% of the sales! Thank you for your support!

## LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM MINISTER LISA BEARE

Please have a read of the attached important letter from Minister of Education and Child Care, Lisa Beare.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## **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:**  
**APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> / 7:00PM**

**RPAC**

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## **RIDGEVIEW HOT LUNCH**

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](#).

## CAPILANO UNIVERSITY ACCESS PROGRAMS INFORMATION SESSION - MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>

Capilano University is hosting a [virtual information session](#) on Thursday, March 5 at 4 p.m. for students and their families to learn more two Access programs designed to support students with learning differences: [Discover Employability](#) and [Education and Employment Access](#). Both programs are full-time at the Capilano University North Vancouver main campus and start in September 2026.

*While this information session is primarily designed for secondary age students and their families, Grade 6-7 families who are interested are also welcome to attend to learn more about future pathways, growth opportunities, and transition-to-adult life planning.*

## 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>

## WEST VAN FOOTBALL CLUB – SPRING ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM (AGES 5-16)

Our Adaptive soccer program is designed especially for neurodiverse players who are eager to explore the game of soccer in a fun, welcoming, and supportive environment.

Starting April 9<sup>th</sup> - 10 week program on Thursdays from 3:45 – 4:45pm

Visit [HERE](#) to Register (free jersey included with registration fee)