



THE WOLF



WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY

Week Beginning Monday 30th October, 2023

[West Bay Website](#)

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2024-25 KINDERGARTEN AND CATCHMENT GR 1-7, [CLICK HERE](#) FOR DETAILS

**IF YOU ARE VISITING WEST BAY, PLEASE
COME THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS AND
CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE. THANK YOU**

**IN PREPARATION OF WINTER
WEATHER**

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR INFO



**Say
Cheese**

RETAKES ON ARE 2ND NOVEMBER

If you would like your child to have a
retake click [here](#) and sign up by
30 October.

Week 2 of the Volleyball season went well.
Both teams are showing great progress in their
skills and game play. It was a very loud and
exciting week at the girls games. We are so
proud of all the work they are putting in.

WEST BAY SPIRIT WEEK

Monday 30th October

Wear Orange and Black

Tuesday 31st October

Halloween Costume

Wednesday 1st November

PJ Day

Thursday 2nd November

Favorite Hat

Friday 3rd November

West Bay Spirit Wear Day

GRADE 7 FAMILIES - HIGH SCHOOL

Families do not need to register for
Rockridge. If you are applying for another
district high school, and reside out of
catchment for that school, you cannot
register ONLINE before 15 January 2024.

If you need your vaccination records for
applications please click [here](#) to access
with your BC Services Card.

TOUR OF THE ROCK DAY

Any family interested in registering at
Rockridge in the future that would like a
school tour - Monday, November 20th.

RSVP: rockridge@wvschools.ca

HALLOWEEN GUIDELINES

As students and families start to think
about costumes, to ensure the day is
fun for everyone, please observe the
following dos and don'ts:

- ❖ Feel welcome to dress in a costume or not
- ❖ Continue to avoid costumes that promote cultural stereotypes. If you're looking for information on cultural appropriation vs. cultural appreciation, click [here](#) for a CBC video; and for a great list of questions to ask about whether a costume is appropriate or not, click [here](#) to see information from UBC's Equity & Inclusion Office.
- ❖ Avoid masks, beyond, of course, medical masks worn for health reasons
- ❖ Do not bring any item that resembles a weapon
- ❖ Wear something comfortable that can be worn all day and can withstand being outside in any weather
- ❖ Students should be able to put on their costume and take it off to use the bathroom by themselves
- ❖ Avoid scented items that might irritate others (e.g. some hair colouring products)
- ❖ Come to school in your costume; students won't be able to visit the washroom for the purpose of costume updates
- ❖ Students should avoid bringing in Halloween candy as eating high sugar foods, and/or the idea of eating high-sugar foods, often distracts students from learning. Candy may be held for students and returned at the end of the day but is best avoided to begin with.

Thank you!



WE SCARE HUNGER COUNTDOWN



**TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER IS THE
DEADLINE FOR FOOD
DONATIONS FOR PROJECT
HARVEST**



MAKING CONNECTIONS

*"How We Express Ourselves and
Social Justice"*

**REFER NEXT PAGE FOR THE
ITEMS REQUIRED.**

	OCTOBER
31	Volleyball Game #3 vs Cedardale
	NOVEMBER
2	Photo Retake Day in AM - Gym
7	Div 8 to Lynn Canyon by Bus
7	Volleyball Game #4 vs Ridgeview
10	9:15 PAC Meeting on ZOOM
10	Remembrance Day Assembly
10	Div 7 to Lynn Canyon by Bus
13	Remembrance Day Stat
14	Reading Break
15	Grade 4s to Orpheum by Bus
15	Holiday Hamper Link Goes Live
20-24	Scholastic Book Fair
21	Boys Volleyball Jamboree @ 1:30
23	Girls Volleyball Jamboree @ 1:30
24	Gr 7 vs Staff Volleyball Game
27	Grade 6 Vaccination Clinic - Gym



“Extending a Hand Up, Not a Hand-Out”

“Helping Families in Need for 30 Years”

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Canned Fruit and Fruit Cups

Peanut Butter & Spreads

Cookies, Crackers, Granola Bars

Coffee (1lb pack ground)

Flour, Sugar, Salt, Pepper (All 1-2lb packs maximum)

Oil, Vinegar (500ml)

Breakfast Cereals

Soup Broth / Bouillon

Rice (1lb bags)

Toothbrushes (individually packed)

Toothpaste (regular size)

Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner

Toilet Paper

Feminine Hygiene Products

Disposable Razors

Dish Soap

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www.HarvestProject.org / Charity Registration Number: 140525205RR0001



BEE UPDATED,
Written by Magali of Beewatch, our resident Bee Expert

No more long outings in the garden! No more flying in the sun! It's autumn, and the bees need to prepare for winter. In the hive, you can see that the bees have changed their behavior. They spend most of their time in the hive, not moving around too much. From time to time, they check their food reserves for the winter: honey and pollen (colored material present in certain cells). It's very important that they have made enough honey over the summer to survive the winter. During winter, there are no pretty flowers to feed them! So they consume all the honey in the hive. The queen has also changed her behavior: she hardly lays any eggs, and rests until spring. In winter, bees can generate heat by vibrating their muscles very quickly. This maintains a hive temperature of 28°C! But this physical effort isn't enough, so they also take short flights inside the hive for exercise. If you pay close attention, you can see them moving up and down! And when the sun comes out, even when it's cold, you'll see the bees go outside for a short walk and then come back. They're out to do their business! After all, they're very clean and never relieve themselves in the hive. Here's how the bees are going to spend the winter, while they wait for the first signs of spring's arrival... **Thanks to West Bay parents, last Spring a Beehive was installed at West Bay in the upper corridor, near the Grade 7 classes. West Bay's hive is a great learning opportunity for our students.**

WONDER AND CURIOSITY.

Division 12 working with their Grade 1 buddies. **WHAT COLOUR DO YOU PREDICT?** Students will be planting tulip bulbs next, so together they created flower art to show what colours they think the flowers will be when they bloom in the Spring.



PUTTING THE FUN IN FUNGUS
While exploring outside during outdoor learning, our Kindergarten students found mushrooms. On closer inspection they identified that there are so many different kinds.

HUB - CYCLING SAFETY

The grade 4 and 5 classes had the opportunity to participate in HUB Cycling's "Learn to Ride" program, which focussed on road safety skills. The 2 day program was informative and lots of fun!



ANOTHER HIVE OF ACTIVITY THESE DAYS...



MONDAY, 08:15 AM	WEDNESDAY, 08:00 AM	THURSDAYS, 08:30 AM	FRIDAYS, 08:15 AM
MATH CLUB - GRADES 2-7	DEBATE CLUB - GRADES 5-7	QUIET READING IN LIBRARY	CHESS -GRADES 2-7



TICKETS GO ON SALE - TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

13 DECEMBER - 7:00 PM, Doors Open at 6:30 PM

14 DECEMBER - 7:00 PM, Doors Open at 6:30 PM

KAY MEEK THEATRE

STUDENT ABSENCES

IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL
PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL OFFICE sbarrie@wvschools.ca
or call 604-981-1260

LEAVING EARLIER THAN 3:00 PM

Please email the office on the email above the morning of
so that teaching staff are aware. *Students are responsible
for getting themselves to the office for early departures.
Please reinforce this change of process with your child/ren.*

VOLUNTARY ABSENCES

Please understand that if you are choosing to take
extended holidays when classes are in session,
teachers cannot replicate the learning that
happens within the classroom and are not able to
provide online learning.

Our teachers do their very best to support students
during required absences due to illness, however,
when the absence is voluntary and a family's choice
(such as extending a weekend, holiday, or vacation), it
is a family's responsibility to maintain academic
learning at home. Please take time to read with your
child, have them write in a “holiday” journal, do Math
IXL online, participate in any assignments shared via
Google Classroom (intermediate students), and take
advantage of other emergent opportunities to practise
foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and
using math while cooking).

Families may email their child’s teacher(s) to see if
there is other work their child can do, however, our
teachers’ energy and focus continues to be on the
learning of students within the classroom

SCO ONLINE PAYMENTS DUE [CLICK HERE](#)

Grade 4-7 Willy Wonka Tickets
From 1 November \$10 each

Main Cast
Place your order by 15th November

Ensemble Cast
Place your order by 22nd November

Remaining tickets
Will be sold from 23rd November.

**WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD
HOME FROM SCHOOL?**

Things to consider if your child feels unwell :

- Without proper rest, a child may have a hard
time fighting an illness or be at risk for other
illnesses.
- The ability of your child to actively take part
and learn at school.
- The school staff cannot care for a sick child
and give them the support that they may
need.
- The protection of other children

Please keep your child home if they :

- ❖ Have a fever
- ❖ Are too sick to take part in all normal school
activities
- ❖ Have a suspected or known communicable
disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox or
measles)
- ❖ Is vomiting or has diarrhea. *It is
recommended that students be symptom
free for at least 24 hours before returning to
school.*

USEFUL LINKS

[23-24 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR](#)

[23-24 PROGRAM OF INQUIRY](#)

[SUPPORTING PYP LEARNER](#)

[IB PYP PROGRAM OF INQUIRY](#)

[5 WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AS A PYP
PARENT](#)

[MUNCHALUNCH](#)

[MYEDUCATION BC](#)
[MYED PARENT PORTAL HELP](#)
[VIDEO VERSION HERE](#)

[SCHOOLCASHONLINE](#)

[OPEN PARACHUTE](#)

[DRIVER'S FORM FOR FIELD TRIP](#)

CLICK [HERE](#) TO PLACE YOUR ORDER, COLLECT 28 NOVEMBER
AT CYPRESS PARK ELEMENTARY, 4355 MARINE DRIVE



Order Oct 26 - Nov 13

Holiday Fundraiser

Poinsettias, holiday wreaths & beautiful planters

Help support Cypress Park & check off your holiday shopping at the same time. If you're looking for a healthy alternative to cookies, a complementary gift with chocolates, or just something to add a pop of colour & cheer for the holidays - this fundraiser is for you!

Choose from a variety of festive indoor & outdoor arrangements available for purchase, just in time for the holidays.

ORDER TODAY

<https://bit.ly/CP-holiday>



Pick up order on Nov 28 at 2:00-4:00
outside the Cypress Park Primary Gym
4355 Marine Dr, West Vancouver



Dear Kindergarten to Grade 3 Families



The province's Feeding Futures program is a new Ministry of Education & Child Care initiative focused on investing, building, and expanding local school food programs by developing universal, barrier free access to nutritious meals and snacks to students at no cost.

As part of West Vancouver Schools Feeding Futures Initiative, a K-3 Universal Snack Program (USP) will be launching in our Kindergarten to grade three/four classrooms this week. The Feeding Futures Initiative will offer students access to nutritious snack items once a week throughout the school year. We are following the guidelines by the Ministry of Health and will offer one grain OR fruit/vegetable snack item and one protein snack item each week. All snacks are nut free. We will be exploring the relationship between universal access to snacks during instructional time and self-regulation. There will be more to come on this exciting aspect of this new program!

Please continue to send your child(ren) with snacks from home as the USP is not a replacement and only once a week in this pilot year.

This is an educational program which enhance students' healthy growth and development in our classrooms. The following will be areas of educational and specific instructional focus:

- nutritional knowledge
- physical literacy
- self-regulation
- executive functioning skill development

If your child has any food allergies, please confirm by emailing the school office at westbay@wvschools.ca. While it is important that we be aware of any allergies, alternate snacks will not be available. Please be aware that your child may not be able to participate in every snack offering if there are extreme food sensitivities.

If you have any questions about the USP in its pilot year, please contact: Christine Hulme, District Feeding Futures Coordinator at chulme@wvschools.ca. You can also find a list of Frequently Asked Questions [here](#).

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

If you have not yet ordered or would like to make changes to your order, the Munch-a-Lunch system remains open until December 11 for ordering/editing. Please place your order and make any changes by 5pm on Mondays, the week before your order.

Also, please make sure you are paying for your orders when placing the order or soon after. **The system is designed to delete any unpaid orders after 24 hours and we don't want anyone missing out on their hot lunch days.**

If you have any issues please feel free to reach out to Emily at hotlunchwb@gmail.com.

Monday:

Domino's Pizza and Pasta

Wednesday:

Sushi, Subway

Fridays:

WellFed

Returning parents can login [here](#)
New parents can login [here](#)

PAC AVAILABLE POSITIONS

We have one position vacant for the parents in kindergarten. If interested please complete the form linked in below :

[AGM PAC NOMINATION FORM](#)

[Book a session](#)



Track your child's progress, share videos with family members and book upcoming sessions:

[Download the Steamoji Parent App](#)

Share our booking link with your friends & family to schedule a Free Trial Session:

[CLICK HERE](#)

Scott Slater

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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.

