



WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY

THE WOLF

Week Beginning Monday 9th October, 2023

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| OCTOBER CALENDAR | |
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| 6 | Terry Fox Run |
| 9 | Thanksgiving Stat |
| 10 | 1st Fencing Class @ 07:45 AM |
| 10 | Online Sign up for Learning Conferences opens @ 09:00 AM |
| 13 | PAC Meeting @ 09:15 |
| 16 | 24-25 Registration Opens Online for Kindergarten and Catchment Grade 1-12 |
| 16 | Fencing Mondays til 11 December |
| 17 | Volleyball Game #1 vs BICS |
| 17 | Online Sign up for Learning Conferences closes at 10:00 PM |
| 18-19 | Learning Conferences Early Dismissal at 11:45 |
| 20 | Professional Development Day |
| 23 | ELL Parent Tea - Library @ 09:00 |
| 24 | Volleyball Game #2 vs Westcot |
| 31 | Volleyball Game #3 vs Cedardale |

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.*

FIRST BELL GOES AT 08:55

Students need to be lined up at this time as classes begin at 09:00 AM

DISMISSAL IS 3:00 PM

All students need to be collected promptly as there is no supervision after school.

FIELD PARKING

This is only available to Kindergarten families and West Bay staff. Please use the turnaround for drop off and collection of Gr 1-7 students at the beginning and end of the day.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING WEST BAY

GRADE 2 SCARECROWS

Grade 2 students designed the clothes and parents assisted with cutting fabric and hot gluing the outfits on. Stay tuned for some stories coming to you soon on Seesaw.



GRADE 7 VOLLEYBALL SEASON



PRACTICE SCHEDULE

GIRLS

Monday Lunch/Wednesdays 08:00

BOYS

Wednesday Lunch/Fridays 08:00

PERMISSION SLIP [HERE](#)

TO BE RETURNED BY 13 OCT
WITH JERSEY DEPOSIT

ONLINE ACTIVITY PAYMENT OF \$10
TO BE PAID ON SCO BY 16
OCTOBER.

#DEAR TERRY TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN

**DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR
RED AND WHITE TOMORROW**

West Bay Elementary is proud to be participating in the Terry Fox School Run tomorrow, **Friday, October 6th.**

Please join us and continue the legacy of one of our greatest Canadian heroes. Donate [HERE](#).

West Bay has set a target of \$1,000.

Reminder to send in your **TOONIE FOR TERRY** tomorrow morning. Thank you for joining us in the fight against cancer!

#terryfoxschoolrun
[@theterryfoxfoundation](https://www.terryfoxfoundation.ca)

2024-25 REGISTRATION

KINDERGARTEN AND CATCHMENT GRADE 1-12

Online Registration opens on **Monday 16th October, 2023** from 08:00 am in the morning.

All supporting documentation to be uploaded at time of registration to the link provided.

Documents Required to be uploaded [here](#).

GRADE 7 FAMILIES

You 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 mid January 2024.

LEARNING CONFERENCES

18 and 19 October
11:45 DISMISSAL

Getting the Most Out of Them

On October 18th and 19th we will be dismissing students early at 11:45 to provide the opportunity for Student Learning Conferences.

Student Learning Conferences have been referred to as the speed-dating of the education world. We know that time slots are short, but that doesn't mean they can't be effective. The value of the home-school connections is really important and benefits our children, so here are a few tips to help you get the most from this valuable time.

Write Your Questions Down

Before your time, really think through any questions you have or concerns you might want to address. You might want the teacher's perspective on books to recommend or maybe the math homework seems to be taking your child longer to complete than it should, and you're not sure how much you should intervene. This is the time.

Get Your Child's Input

In some cases your child will be included in the conference, so talk to them before the conference. If they are young and new to the idea, explain that these conferences are helpful for both the teacher and the parents to ensure everyone is working together so they can have a positive year. Ask them: Is there's anything they think is important to discuss.

Ask this Question

Consider this question: "How can I support my child at home?" This gives teachers an opportunity to talk about academic or social areas in which your child would benefit from help or reinforcement. Please don't ask "So how's my kids doing?" or "How does my kid compare to other kids in the class?" These types of questions are broad and not helpful to supporting your child.

Stick to the Schedule

Most of the time the 10 minute conference is going to feel sufficient, but if you feel like your child is struggling at all this probably will not feel like enough time to problem solve. Remember, though, that this can be the start of the conversation, not the end. If you hit on an issue that requires more conversation than you can fit in, make a plan to follow-up through email, phone, or another virtual meeting. This isn't your only opportunity to talk to your child's teacher for the rest of the school year.



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LEARNING CONFERENCES

18 and 19 October
11:45 DISMISSAL

*(Online Booking Opens 09:00 on 10 Oct,
Closes 10:00 pm on 17 Oct)*

**To register for a conference
please click [here](#):**

1. Register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab and filling in the online form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "Register Now" button.
2. Add your children into the system by clicking the "Add a Student" button. Click "Insert New" button to add more children.
3. Click the "date" icon beside each child's name to schedule appointments. Select the staff you wish to book appointments with and the "View Calendars" button. Use the "Ctrl" or "Command" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time.
4. Click on available time slots to book your appointments and then click the "Book Appointments" button to save your bookings.
5. Any questions please contact your child/children's teacher.

All appointments are expected to be in person but reach out to your child's teacher if you prefer an virtual conference.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

West Bay recognized Orange Shirt day on Friday, September 29th. The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation coincides with Orange Shirt Day, a movement that began on Sept. 30, 2013, when residential school survivor Phyllis Webstad from the Stsweem'c Xgat'tem First Nation told her story about residential schools. The focus of Orange Shirt Day is to raise awareness about Indigenous children who were sent to Residential Schools in an attempt to have their culture and freedoms taken away from them, to honour the victims of residential schools, and to reinforce the message that "Every Child Matters." West Bay students took action in various ways: creating hearts for the heart garden, painting rocks with messages for outside, and making posters for around the school.



THANK YOU WEST BAY PARENTS

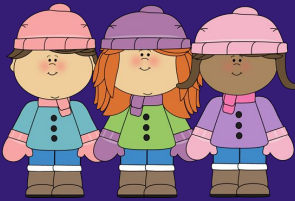
Grade 6 students are really enjoying their new whiteboard desks!



Thank you to the coaches - Mrs. Richardson, Ms. Espenhain, Mrs. Kelpin, Mr Slater, Mr Dignum and Mrs. Van Buuren and all the parent volunteers who helped make the Cross Country season such a success. West Bay had over 60 students from Grades 3-7 out running 3 times a week.
Way to Go Wolves!

NO SUCH THING AS BAD WEATHER
JUST INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Please ensure your child/ren are dressed in appropriate outdoor clothing for the inclement weather ahead and have a change of clothes in their backpack.



BYOD LETTER - GRADE 4-7 STUDENTS
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

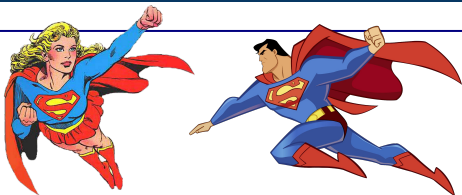
Click [here](#) for 23-24 Computer Recommendation

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



Thank you to the Hot Lunch Superheroes - Emily W, Maryam H, the team of parent volunteers who make this program possible and the Grade 7 volunteers who support them with homeroom supervision and distribution of lunches.

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

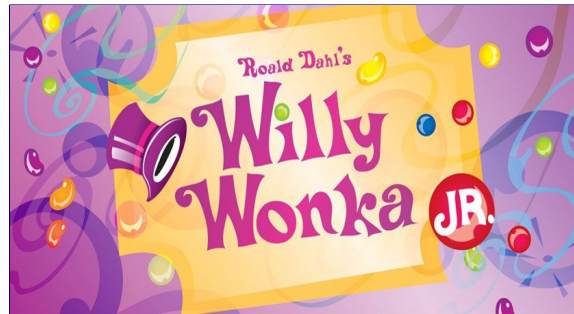
Wednesday:

Sushi, Subway

Fridays:

WellFed

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



**Willy Wonka Jr. Musical, Gr 4-7
13 and 14 December
@ Kay Meek Theatre**

We are seeking parent volunteers to assist in a number of areas for the intermediate musical.

Please email mgibli@wvschools.ca if you are able to help.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER
GRADES 2-7, 10 OCTOBER - 11 DECEMBER, 07:45-08:35 AM
MONDAYS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE 1ST CLASS WHICH IS TUESDAY
10 OCTOBER, 07:45-08:35



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| WESTBAY MONDAYS October 10*, 16, 23, 30 November 6, 20, 27 December 11 Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM *Tuesday | CEDARDALE WEDNESDAYS October 4, 11, 18, 25 November 1, 8, 15, 22 Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM | CHARTWELL THURSDAYS October 5, 12, 19, 26 November 2, 9, 16, 23 Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM | WESTCOT FRIDAYS October 6, 13, 27 November 3, 10, 17, 24 December 1 Grade 2-7 @ 7:45-8:35AM |
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COST: \$179 per child (all fencing equipment provided).
FREE brand new fencing mask and glove for new students (value of \$130).
If you wish to purchase a full set of equipment, please contact the club or visit our pro shop.

- New Students** - Scan the QR code to register
1. Create Account
 2. Drop in at 238 Fell Ave, North Vancouver to make a payment and
 3. Pick up fencing mags and glove (new students only)
- Returning Students** - Contact us directly
1. Call 604.990.8889 to make a payment and
 2. Please bring your equipment from the previous term to classes.



PAC FALL APPLE FUNDRAISER
ORDER BY 7TH OCTOBER

Click [here](#) to place your order.

Distribution of Apples - in the turnaround on 18th and 19th when there is early dismissal



SCO ONLINE PAYMENTS DUE [CLICK HERE](#)

Grade 7 Volleyball Players
\$10 Activity Fee Due by 16 October when Permission Slips are returned.

Grade 4 Students
Field Trip to Lynn Canyon
Permission Slip [here](#) for Division 8 on 7th November
and [here](#) for Division 7 on 10th November.
\$27 Due Online Now.

‘intheknow’
Connect
and Learn

MONTHLY ONLINE EVENTS FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS
FALL 2023

Every month, we host events for parents & caregivers who are parenting a child or youth with a mental health and/ or substance use challenge called “in the know.”

SEPTEMBER

Mental Health and Preparing for the
Transition to Post Secondary

Speaker: Dawn Schell, University of Victoria
and Melissa Feddersen, University of British
Columbia Okanagan

OCTOBER

Working Together: Families and Schools

Speakers: Ashley Ragoonaden, Principal at
École KLO Middle School

NOVEMBER

Emotion Regulation

Speaker: Nicole Allen, RCC

DECEMBER

ADHD - The Real Deal

Speaker: Dr. Don Duncan

Join us to watch a video and talk
with other families about what helps.
Online events are facilitated by
FamilySmart Parent Peer Support
Workers.

familysmart.ca/events



December 2022

WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell:

1. The wellbeing of your child. Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
2. The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
3. The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
4. 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, measles).
- Is vomiting or has diarrhea. It is recommended that students be symptom free at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Keep your child home until they are able to participate fully in normal school activities or as told by a health care provider.

Please let the school know your child's symptoms, as per the school's call back procedures.

If the school finds it necessary to send your child home because of illness, please make sure you have arranged an emergency contact if you are not available. [Inform your school of these arrangements.](#)

Where can I find more information?

- Health Link BC – By calling 8-1-1, you can speak to a health service navigator, who can help you find information and services, or connect you with a health professional. You can also find information online at <https://www.healthlinkbc.ca>
- Sneezes and Diseases – online at <https://sneezesdiseases.com/>
- BCCDC – online at [Schools \(bccdc.ca\)](https://schools.bccdc.ca)
- VCH – online at [Children, youth & schools - Vancouver Coastal Health \(vch.ca\)](#)
- School Administrators can also contact their School Public Health Nurse



PAC AVAILABLE POSITIONS

We have two positions vacant in the PAC EXEC; both are for “Members at Large”, one for the parents in kindergarten and one for the other parents. If interested please complete the form linked in below :

[AGM PAC NOMINATION FORM](#)

USEFUL LINKS

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

[CALENDAR](#)

[SUPPORTING PYP LEARNER](#)

[MUNCHALUNCH](#)

[MYEDUCATION BC](#)

[SCHOOLCASHONLINE](#)

[OPEN PARACHUTE](#)

[DRIVER’S FORM FOR FIELD TRIPS](#)

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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.