



WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY

THE WOLF

Week Beginning Monday 4th December, 2023

[West Bay Website](#)



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

**LAST DEBATE CLUB THIS SESSION
WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER
SESSION #2 BEGINS 17 JANUARY**

**WILLY WONKA PERFORMANCES
(GRADE 4-7 STUDENTS)
KAY MEEK THEATRE @ 7:00 PM
13TH AND 14TH DECEMBER**

PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) IF YOU WOULD LIKE
ADDITIONAL TICKETS FOR THE ABOVE
PERFORMANCES - DEADLINE FOR REQUEST
3 DECEMBER, YOU WILL THEN BE EMAILED
AND ASKED TO PAY FOR YOUR EXTRA
TICKETS ONLINE BY 8 DECEMBER.

PERMISSION SLIP FOR 13TH DECEMBER
DRESS REHEARSAL CAN BE ACCESSED [HERE](#)
AND NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL
OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

*Hello West Bay Families,
On December 13th, grades 4-7 will be
attending the dress rehearsal at Kay Meek.
Therefore, hot lunch will not be available for
these classes and they will need to bring a
home lunch that day. The hot lunch
committee has already cancelled any orders
placed for those grades and you will see a
credit on your Munch-a-Lunch account.
Please check your account to ensure your
child does not have an order for that day. If
you do, please cancel the order for that day.
Please reach out if you need any help
cancelling the order or if you have any other
issues. Thank you for your help and
continued support of this amazing
fundraiser for the PAC.
Kindly, Emily, West Bay Hot Lunch
Committee
ALL TICKETS WILL COME HOME ON
MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER*

**SCHOOL REPORTS
WILL BE PUBLISHED ON
8 DECEMBER IN THE PM**
(See Principal's Messaging at the end
of this week's Wolf)

**HERE ARE LINKS TO HELP YOU
[MYED PARENT PORTAL HELP](#)
[VIDEO VERSION HERE](#)**

HOLIDAY HAMPERS

All gifts due by 6 December
Wrapping on 8 December
in Learning Commons

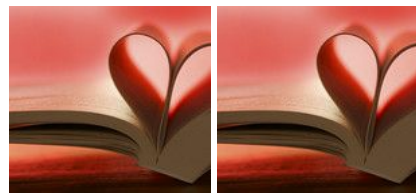
**We still have 27 slots to fill
and people can now fill slots
from any division.**

**Holiday Hamper [link here](#).
Have your West Bay student
elf bring in the unwrapped
gift item to be placed in the
donation bins. Donation
bins are located in each
divisions' classroom.**

**For gift cards or grocery
cards for donation, please
write the amount on the
card and have your student
take the cards to Mrs. Barrie
in the office for safekeeping.**

**The last day for dropping off
gifts for hampers is 6th
December.**

**Please text or WhatsApp on
604-839-8114 if you are able
to help with wrapping in the
Learning Commons on 8th
December after drop off.**



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under [CC BY-SA 2.0](#).

Our West Bay book fair was a whirlwind
of activity and was highly successful. I
am especially grateful to the dedicated
team of helpers (20!) who handled
money, kept things organized and were
cheerful book ambassadors!

We selected about \$1300 of books for
the library from the book fair, another
\$1300 to spend in future Scholastic
product, and took \$600 to buy books
from other vendors.

Thank you for sharing the joy of
reading and for supporting this
important library fundraiser.

Mrs. J Hunt, Teacher Librarian

	DECEMBER
1	Gr 7 vs Staff Game @ 12:40
1	Gr 7 Craft Fair, 3:00-5:30 PM
4	Professional Development Day
5-8	Field Hockey for all Students AM
6	Last Debate Club
6	Hamper Deadline
7-15	Hanukkah
8	Hamper Wrapping in LC
8	Festive Friday - Holiday Hats
8	1st Report Card Published
11	Last Fencing Class Grade 6s to Space Centre
12	Last Steamoji Class
13	Willy Wonka Dress Rehearsal 7:00 pm Evening Performance
14	7:00 pm Evening Performance
15	Holiday Sweaters/Last Chess Class
20	Last Hot Lunch/Decorations Day
22	Festive Friday - Holiday PJs Singalong @ 10:50 Early Dismissal at 11:45

FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 3:00-5:30 PM
FIELD WILL BE OPEN FOR PARKING

West Bay Elementary's

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

Gr 7 Bake Sale &
Hot Chocolate Station

Photos with Santa

Arts and Craft Sale

Toys and Games

DEC 1
2023

3PM-5.30PM

Gym

PLEASE BRING SMALL
BILLS AND CHANGE

PROCEEDS BENEFIT
GRADE 7 GRAD

For more info, contact danirenouf@gmail.com

ITEMS REQUIRING PAYMENT

[CLICK HERE TO PAY](#)

Grade 7 Students 21 December by School Bus to
SFU - Click [here](#) for permission slip.
Payment of \$23 due online by 14 December.

WILLY WONKA TICKETS

(Additional Tickets - you will receive an email on 4
December - Payment online by 8 December and all
tickets home on Monday 11 December)

K-3 STUDENT SNACK SCHEDULE

2023

Dec 6 - Seed Crackers/Cheese

Dec 13 - Half Bagel/Cream Cheese

Dec 20 - Banana and Cheese String

2024

Jan 10 - Nut Free Granola, Raisins and Yoghurt

Jan 17 - Edamame and Seed Crackers

COMING UP

WEEK 4 DECEMBER, K TO GRADE 7 STUDENTS



WEST VANCOUVER FIELD HOCKEY CLUB TEACHING THE "FUN" DAMENTALS OF HOCKEY!

Coming soon!

Our grade K-7 students will be learning the
"FUNdamentals" of field hockey during an indoor session
with West Vancouver Field Hockey Club.

After trying out their hockey skills and games, the
children will receive a certificate and a WVFHC
wristband. If your child/children enjoyed the experience
and is interested in playing more, contact

info@wvfhc.com



Registration for
Spring League 2024 opens
November 1st 2023
All levels welcome



www.wvfhc.com

BUSKERS CORNER

HOLIDAY BUSKING BEFORE SCHOOL

(08:30 AM to 08:55 AM)

Main School Foyer



Week 4 Dec

Week 11 Dec

Week 18 Dec

Joshua K
Grade 6
Student
Busking

Sam H
Grade 5
Student
Busking

If your child
would like to
play please
contact the
school office

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL JAMBOREE



The Grade 7 Girls Volleyball Jamboree was held this past Thursday at Rockridge Secondary School. The girls demonstrated excellent teamwork, resilience and determination as well as a great development of skill. It was a great way to finish a season, and we are so proud of them! A big thanks to the coaches and families who came to cheer everyone on. The staff look forward to a challenging staff vs. student match on Friday 1st!

Coaches Hansen and Richardson



FESTIVE FRIDAYS COMING UP IN DECEMBER and DECORATIONS DAY

**FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER
HOLIDAY HATS**

**FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER
HOLIDAY SWEATERS**

**WEDNESDAY 20
DECEMBER
DECORATIONS DAY**

**FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER
HOLIDAY
PJs/SINGALONG**



DISMISSAL @ 11:45

HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES

Grade 2 Stuffies

Students in Grade 2 used their design skills to first make a drawn plan using indigenous First Nations shapes for details (crescent, ovoid, trigon, u and v shapes). They learned an “up and down stitch” as well as blanket binding “loop stitch” to keep the stuffing inside. They will soon create stories using their animal characters.



HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES

Communication and Social Skills in Action - Div 15
That's when the magic happens!



HOW WE EXPRESS OURSELVES - AS MATHEMATICIANS

We can sort - can you guess what our rules are?



ANYONE FOR LASAGNA?



MEASURING AND QUANTIFYING THE WORLD AROUND US

DIVISION 5, GRADE 5

A great day at West Bay beach. We used our thinking skills to measure natural objects at the beach. Learning about all the different forms of measurement in our world. Using our research skills from the Math is Fun website students then played measurement tag. Ask your child how to play and challenge them to a dual.



MORE IB INFORMATION BELOW

23-24 PROGRAM OF INQUIRY
SUPPORTING PYP LEARNER
IB PYP PROGRAM OF INQUIRY

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

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](#)

SPECIAL NOTE

13th December - Gr 4-7 All Day Dress Rehearsal
Lunches ordered for 13 December will be refunded

22nd December - 11:45 Dismissal
If you ordered lunch for this day your account will be credited.
Last Hot Lunch Wednesday 20th.

RESPECTING OUR SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

"Pack it in Pack it out Lunches"

We ask that whatever comes in your child's lunch bag goes home in their lunch bag, including empty juice boxes and wrappers. This way we will create far less garbage at school and you will have a better idea of what your child is finishing for lunch.



WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell :

1. 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 or measles)
- ❖ Is vomiting or has diarrhea. *It is recommended that students be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.*

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 your child's teacher on the morning of the early departure 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.*

**PREPARING
FOR WINTER WEATHER**
CLICK [HERE](#)
FOR MORE INFORMATION

USEFUL LINKS

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

[23-24 PROGRAM OF INQUIRY](#)

[MUNCHALUNCH](#)

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

[SCHOOLCASHONLINE](#)

[OPEN PARACHUTE](#)

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

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.

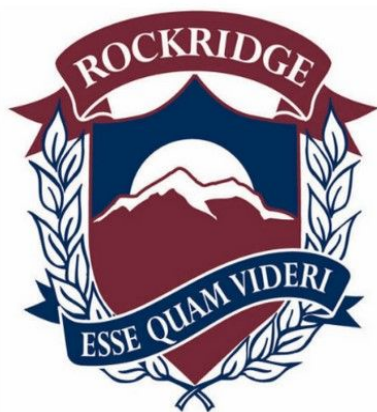
If you need your vaccination records for applications please click [here](#) to access with your BC Services Card.



SAVE THE DATE!

FOR OUR ANNUAL

INFORMATION NIGHT FOR INCOMING GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



Date: Thursday, January 11th, 2024

Time: 7pm

Where: Rockridge Secondary
5350 Headland Drive, West Vancouver



WEST BAY ELEMENTARY

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Friday, December 8th, your child's/children's Term One Learning Update(s) will be uploaded to the MyEducation Family Portal. This letter contains information about how to access the MyEducation Family Portal as well as information about changes to the way we report on student progress and areas for further learning.

Accessing the Family Portal

If you are new to West Bay, you should have received an email from the email address "sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca" with instructions for how to create a MyEd. Family Portal account. This account will allow you to access your child's/children's Learning Updates (report cards), Annual Instructional Plans (AIPs) for English Language Learners, and Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for students with a Ministry Designation. If you did not receive this email, please search your junk folder and if it didn't land there, please contact Ms. Barrie (sbarrie@wvschools.ca).

On Friday, December 8th, you will receive another email from sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca with details about accessing the Term One Learning Updates. Detailed instructions and videos for accessing the Updates are available [here](#).

Changes to the Way We Share Information on Student Progress

Written reports regarding student progress are now called "Learning Updates" (terms one and two) and "Summary of Learning" (term three). There are some changes to the Learning Updates that are helpful for families to know:

There is a Proficiency scale used by Kindergarten to Grade 9 students in British Columbia that can be accessed [here](#) and will be attached to your child's report. Our goal is for students to be Proficient in all areas of learning, and for some students, extending their learning in certain areas.

Learning Updates are focused on skills and competencies that students develop, rather than a recap of topics of learning except for some descriptions in the Units of Inquiry area. Curriculum is shared via other means such as emails from teachers about the class's program of inquiry.

On several areas of the Learning Update are "Areas for Future Growth and Learning" which identify the ways learners can be supported at school and home to further their skills and competencies.

The Reports are very personalized so while reports share many similarities between students in a class, specific descriptive feedback has been selected for your child.

English Language Learners will receive an AIP (Annual Instructional Plan) but students with a Ministry Designation will not receive an IEP Progress Report. IEPs were recently updated with families in October and assessments on IEP goals and objectives will be given through progress reports in terms two and three. Updated IEPs have, however, been uploaded to the Portal.

Teachers spend a tremendous amount of time creating Learning Updates and I appreciate your time in reviewing them.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Learning Updates, IEPs, AIPs or other matters, please reach out to teachers or me.

Warm regards,

Scott Slater

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Principal

West Bay Elementary | Cypress Park Primary

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Rockridge Music Department Presents:

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON

Rockridge Winter Concert

Thursday, December 7
6:30PM
Rockridge Gym

Featuring...

Choir, Jr. & Sr. Concert Bands,
A & B Jazz Bands, and Drumline

Admission by Donation



FEEDING FUTURES INITIATIVE

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 ([Scott Slater](#)) if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

Please use your WeChat to scan and join us!

请使用微信扫码，加入我们吧！



West Bay Mandarin Speaking



West Bay PAC
WhatsApp group



Dear Parent/Guardian,

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and Child Care, we are sharing the survey information below to help inform the Province’s [ChildCareBC](#) initiatives:

We know that many families depend on school-age child care to ensure their children have a quality, affordable, and inclusive place to be during a parent’s full work day. That is why the Province’s [ChildCareBC plan](#) is working to expand access to child care for all families that want and need it.

The Ministry of Education and Child Care is conducting a parent survey to better understand the regional and provincial demand for school age child care.

While we know there is unmet demand for school-aged child care, there is no current provincial or regional data quantifying the demand. Your participation will help the Province plan for future school-aged child care expansions.

This survey is intended for all parents, regardless of the type of child care you currently use or even if you are not using any child care at all.

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**“Social Media Awareness”
Family Session on December 5th at 630 pm**

This free 60 minute session is being hosted by the Ministry of Education and ERASE

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/family-session-establishing-safe-caring-respectful-digital-communities-tickets-765337273387?aff=oddtcreator>

Rec Centre Happenings:

Winter Break camp registrations are now open:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities/camps>

Browse your recreation activities and programs here:

<https://westvancouver.ca/parks-recreation/recreation-programs-services/recreation-activities>

Are you new in West Vancouver? Come, discover and join us:

<https://westvancouver.ca/newcomers>

Let’s Play Wheelchair Basketball

At WV rec centre

Drop ins welcome! Ages 5-12

All equipment and wheelchairs are provided

Registration is [here](#)