



THE WOLF



**WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY**

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

[West Bay Website](#)

SPIRIT FRIDAYS

13 and 27 September Spirit Days
Wear Your West Bay Spirit Wear

SPIRIT WEAR SALES
[CLICK HERE TO ORDER](#)

Order Deadline 27 September
Delivery 4-5 Weeks after deadline

24-25 GRAD HOODIES
GRADE 7 STUDENTS
[ORDER HERE](#)

Order Deadline
1st October, 2024 @ 9:00PM
Delivery to School in November



STEAMOJI - INTRO TO FABRICATION
GR 1 and UP

Begins Thursday 19th September @ 3:15 PM
Intro to Fabrication helps launch apprentices into a world of fabricating and design. By exploring different materials and design techniques, apprentices will be planning, prototyping and problem-solving their way through 10 unique projects. Tinkercad, 3D pens and Laser Cutters - it's a great way to start your Steamoji journey. Let's get building

[COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORM HERE](#)
EMAIL TO : WESTVANCOUVER@STEAMOJI.COM

MATH BEFORE SCHOOL GRADES 2-7

Begins Monday 16th September

08:15 in Learning Commons

[SIGN UP LINK HERE](#)



**CROSS COUNTRY FOR
GR 3-7 STUDENTS GETS UNDERWAY**



Practices will be held Mondays and Fridays @ 08:15 AM. Meets at Ambleside are 17 and 24 September and 1 October.

[PERMISSION SLIP HERE](#)
TO BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE AND PLEASE PAY THE \$10 ACTIVITY FEE DUE ONLINE ON SCO [HERE](#) BEFORE THE 1ST MEET ON 17 SEPTEMBER

BE BEAR AWARE

We have had bear sightings in the neighbourhood - students should walk in groups when possible.

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR SOME ADVICE.



Report aggressive or threatening bears:
1 877 952-7277 (RAPP)

**24-25 STUDENT RELEASE
DRILL FORMS**

These forms went home with students on 3rd September. **Please return by Thursday 19th September** so that we have all your contact information on record in the case of an emergency release. Click [here](#) for a soft copy if the hard copy did not make it home

MEDICAL ALERTS



EPIPEN

If your child requires an EPIPEN to be administered during school hours because of a life threatening allergy please ensure that the school office is informed and please supply the office with an up to date EPIPEN at the same time. [FORM HERE](#).

INHALERS

If your child requires an inhaler, please supply the school office with an inhaler as soon as possible. [FORM HERE](#).

**LEAVING EARLIER THAN
3:00 PM**

Please email teachers and office first thing in the morning. **All students need to be signed out at the office if departing before 3:00 PM.**

STUDENT ABSENCES
PLEASE EMAIL
sbarrie@wvschools.ca

SEPTEMBER

13	PAC Welcome Back BBQ
17	Cross Country #1 at 3:30
16	First Math Club Before School @ 08:00 in Learning Commons
18	Curriculum Evening @ 5:15 PM-6:15 PM
19	First Steamoji Class @ 3:15 PM
20	Professional Development Day #2
23	First Hot Lunch Day
23-25	Grade 6 Students at Camp Summit
24	Cross Country #2 at 3:30
25	First Debate Club for Gr 4-7 begins in Learning Commons - Sign Up on Link below
27	Individual Photo Day Deadline for ordering Spirit Wear Online
30	Truth and Reconciliation Statutory Holiday

VOLUNTEERS ARE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY

West Bay is a community that thrives with the help of our volunteer parents. We have many jobs, big and small.

If you are able to help out please sign up [HERE](#).

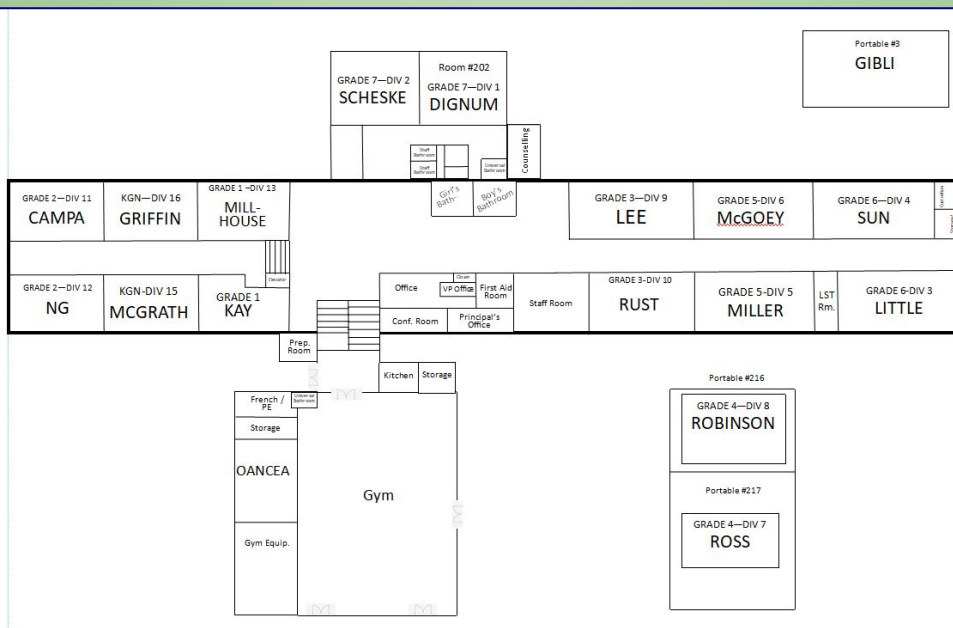


MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT | 5:15-6:15 PM, SEPTEMBER 18

West Bay families are encouraged to attend our Meet the Teacher event on September 18. This is a great opportunity for families to meet their child's/children's teacher(s) and learn about the year ahead. The evening will start in the gym and be followed by two sessions in classrooms.

Here are the key details:

- This event is for parents/guardians only.
- Before 5:15 PM, please park in the upper gravel field according to the parking map below.
- 5:15-5:30 PM, Principal Slater and Vice-Principal Miller will introduce staff and speak to our School's direction over the next two years.
- 5:30-5:35 PM, parents will find their child's classroom for Session #1 using the map below and visuals throughout the school.
- 5:35-5:50 PM, Session #1 with your child's first teacher. Teachers will introduce themselves and their classroom and share information about classroom routines and how parents can support their child's education.
- 5:55-6:00 PM, parents who have two children at West Bay will find their other child's classroom for Session #2 which is a repeat of Session #1.
- 6:00-6:15 PM, Session #2 with your other child's teacher.
- 6:15 PM, Event Ends



CELEBRATING STUDENT BIRTHDAYS

We ask that families refrain from bringing in cakes and cookies to celebrate student birthdays - you are more than welcome to bring in fruit or popcorn to celebrate in class. If inviting the whole class to parties teachers will hand out invites. If you are not inviting everyone, please distribute invitations on playdates.



HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Monday (Foodie Kids/Aburi), Tuesday (Foodie Kids)
Thursday (Foodie Kids/Panago)
and Friday (Foodie Kids)



ORDER HERE - ORDERING IS ONGOING
Returning Parents [Here](#)
New Parents [Here](#)

Cutlery will be available to purchase for \$10 per kit, email westbaypac@gmail.com.

**LAST ORDERING DATE FOR THE YEAR
WILL BE 15 MAY 2025 - LAST LUNCH 20 JUNE 2025**

VOLUNTARY ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

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 opportunities.

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

PARKING DOS AND DON'TS



Click [here](#) for more information.

Only Kindergarten families are permitted to park in the upper field lot at the beginning and end of the school day. For special events, the upper field will be open for parking as per the maps [here](#).

Kindergarten families need to display their parking pass on their dashboard.

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 if they need support with food-related costs. Please be assured that all requests will be addressed with sensitivity, respect, and confidentiality.

Optional Accident Insurance for Families

Each year the school district reminds families that they have the option to purchase insurance coverage against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses, and critical illness. There are many different voluntary plans that provide coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. Families are encouraged to do their due diligence when choosing a provider.

BYOD DEVICE, GR 4-7 (Bring Your Own Device)

West Bay students are encouraged to bring in a laptop or Chromebook to school in Grades 4-7. Please see the letter [HERE](#) for more information.



DEBATE CLUB - GRADES 5-7 ONLY, WEDNESDAYS

Begins Wednesday 25th September
@ 08:00 AM in Learning Commons

The Debate Club is back! West Bay alumni students Jason and Jerry Song ran a very popular debate club last year and will continue to do so throughout this year.

The Club focuses on public speaking, crafting arguments, and having fun taking various positions on topics.

Registration is required and you can do so [here](#).



ADAPTIVE SOCCER PROGRAM

We started this in 2020, and it is a program we are very proud to be able to deliver. If you know of any students who might be interested in this inclusive and fun program, could you please share this information with them? The school district has been supportive of sharing our information over the years, and we have been appreciative of their support. We hope to reach any players who could enjoy and benefit from this program. The first session will be next Wednesday, Sept. 18th. Link to register [HERE](#)



POSTER CONTEST

FREE ENTRY

WHAT CHARACTER TRAITS MADE TERRY FOX A GOOD LEADER?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR POSTERS THAT DEMONSTRATE:

- CREATIVITY
- EFFORT
- A POSITIVE MESSAGE

POSTERS DUE TO THE OFFICE BY:

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON OCTOBER 1ST

PRIZES FOR THE TOP 5 SUBMISSIONS!

TO DONATE TO THE TERRY FOX FOUNDATION, VISIT:
[HTTPS://SCHOOLS.TERRYFOX.CA/73932](https://schools.terryfox.ca/73932)



WHAT CHARACTER TRAITS MADE TERRY FOX A GOOD LEADER?

Terry Fox is a symbol of hope in Canadian history and was pivotal in the battle against cancer. As a lead up to our annual Terry Fox run on October 4th, we are hosting a Poster Contest!

Students are encouraged to create a poster that identifies character traits that made Terry Fox a good leader. These posters can be created by hand or digitally.

Submissions are due to the office by Friday September 27th and our winning submissions will demonstrate creativity, effort, and a positive message.

Promotional posters will be shared with classes today!

HARVEST 2024 FUNDRAISER

NATURE'S GREATEST SNACK FOOD

Order deadline: Wednesday, October 9th
TO PLACE YOUR ORDER [CLICK HERE](#).



PAC SURVEY - [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE](#)



Share your feedback and ideas re your preferred times for online PAC meetings and Educational/Guest Speaker Components for monthly meetings

KINDERGARTEN PAC EXEC NOMINATION FORM

[ACCESS FORM HERE](#).

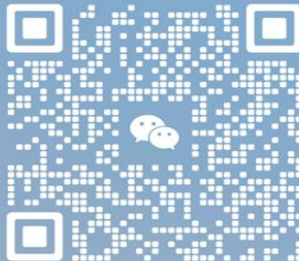
Please email forms by **October 16, 2024**, to westbaypac@gmail.com



West Bay PAC
WhatsApp group



West Bay Mandarin Speaking



WEST VANCOUVER REC CENTRE UPCOMING EVENTS

Indigenous Arts & Culture Workshop [this fall](#).

Small Group Music Classes:

Ukulele, Acoustic Guitar and Singing Classes are starting in September.

Language Program for Various Ages:

Give yourself a gift of language skills in French, Spanish, Mandarin, Farsi, Korean, American Sign Language (ASL), Ukrainian and English as a Second/Third Language.

[Click here for PD Day Camps](#)

Browse all 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:

www.westvancouver.ca/newcomers

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