



THE WOLF

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 20 JANUARY

[West Bay Website](#)



WEST BAY
ELEMENTARY

REGISTRATION OPEN ONLINE NOW CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER - OUT OF CATCHMENT/DISTRICT OPENS 15 JANUARY

PAC MEETING
16 JANUARY @ 7:00 PM

Click [HERE](#) for the Agenda.

ZOOM LINK [HERE](#)

Meeting ID: 884 9357 3760
 Passcode: 759862

MISS ROSS SWEATSHIRT

Link closes at 11:59 PM on 17th January.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO ORDER.

MEMORY BOOK FOR MISS ROSS

Link closes end of day 17 January.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO CONTRIBUTE.

KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 12 - OUT OF CATCHMENT AND OUT OF DISTRICT REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

West Vancouver Schools Admissions

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

LEAVING EARLIER THAN 3:00

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

PLEASE EMAIL sbarrie@wvschools.ca

It is a student's responsibility to get themselves to the office, for parents to sign them out, if they know they are leaving earlier than 3:00 PM

WEST BAY INTENTIONS FOR 2025-26
(CURRENT KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 6 STUDENTS ONLY)

It might seem early to be asking parents whether they expect to have their children at West Bay next September, however, we have already begun to project our enrolment for the 2025-26 school year. These predictions determine whether we will have room for new learners who are anxious to join our community and informs our class configurations.

While we hope to see your family back at West Bay in September 2025, we understand that job transfers happen, plans change, and relocations can occur without much notice.

We are therefore asking that you please indicate on this online form, to the best of your knowledge, whether your child will be continuing at West Bay in September 2025.

[CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE FORM](#)

Please complete this online form by Friday, January 24th, 2024. There are options in the survey to complete it for more than one child.

ROCKRIDGE VP STEW BAKER

Will be visiting West Bay on Friday 24 June to meet with Grade 7 students. He will be handing out paper course forms at this time.

RETURN THESE FORMS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRI 31 JANUARY

FORGOTTEN ITEMS - INCLUDING LUNCHES

Need to be labelled with child's name and left at the drop off area by the office.

CLICK HERE FOR SCO



Grade 3 Students

Vancouver Playhouse Field Trip 12 February

Permission slip [HERE](#) to be returned to teachers.
 Online payment of \$28 due now.

JANUARY	
17	PAC Meeting @ 7:00 PM
21	#1 Basketball Game @ 3:30 PM IP
22	First Debate Club Before School
23	Grade 7 Field Trip by Public Bus
24	K Dental Screening @ 9:00 AM
24	Rockridge VP Visits Gr 7s @ 09:00
27	Professional Development Day
28	#2 Basketball Game @ 3:30 PM Bowen Island, Boys Away, Girls Home
30	Gr 6 Field Trip to Sea to Sky Gondola
31	Lunar New Year Celebrations



GR 7 BASKETBALL SEASON

GAME #1 TUESDAY 21 JANUARY @ 3:30 PM vs Irwin Park
 Girls at Home, Boys Away

GO WOLVES!

Texting Messaging for Winter Weather or School Closures when Power is Down

Please text a "Y" or "Yes" to 978338 to ensure you are on the list.

WINTER WEATHER INFO
 CLICK [HERE](#).

[CODE OF CONDUCT](#)

[24-25 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR](#)

[PARKING DOS AND DON'TS](#)

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MYEDUCATION BC

WEST BAY'S 2023-2026 SCHOOL GOAL

West Bay students will cultivate a deep understanding of their Learner Profile attributes, empowering them to

- (1) become proactive leaders in their educational journey,
- (2) confidently navigate conflict resolution, and
- (3) passionately support causes they care about.



IB EVALUATION

Every five years, public schools are evaluated by the International Baccalaureate and this is our year. As this evaluative period is five years, families with several years at West Bay may have particularly helpful feedback, but all families, whether they're in their first or 10th year as a parent of a student, are encouraged to provide feedback.

The survey takes approximately 10-15 minutes. The survey is [here](#). Thank you!

STUDENT LEARNING

GRADE 2 PUPPET SHOWS

Click [here](#) to view Olive's.



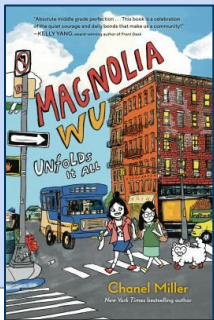
THE BIG WAR

"This story is about the war, two people fight in the war one wins and one loses. It's the way it works" - Olive

WVML - WHAT TO READ NEXT - STAFF PICKS



Twelve-year-old Fern believes she's living a noble life--but what if everything she's been told is a lie? This is a huge-hearted story about a girl learning to question everything--and to trust in herself. A CALIBA GOLDEN POPPY AWARD FINALIST . A KIRKUS REVIEWS AND BOOKLIST BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR Fern's lived at the Ranch, an off-the-grid, sustainable community in upstate New York, since she was...



An instant New York Times, USA Today, and indie bestseller! Award-winning author and artist Chanel Miller tells a fun, funny, and poignant story of friendship and community starring Magnolia Wu, a ten-year-old sock detective bent on returning all the lonely only socks left behind in her parents' NYC laundromat. Down at the bottom of the tall buildings of New York City, Magnolia Wu sits inside...

HOW THE WORLD WORKS - PAPER PLANE CHALLENGE

This week Kindergarten students participated in an exciting challenge exploring "How the World Works". They became airplane designers, creating their own paper planes! Just like scientists, they tried something new and discovered that making mistakes isn't something to fear – it's actually a great way to learn new things! They are risk-takers!



SHARING THE PLANET

Central Idea:

Connections are discovered when we explore natural environments

Inquiry Line:

How living things survive



On Monday, Grade 1 students went for a walk. They had to be quiet because they were hoping to find some animals in their natural environment!

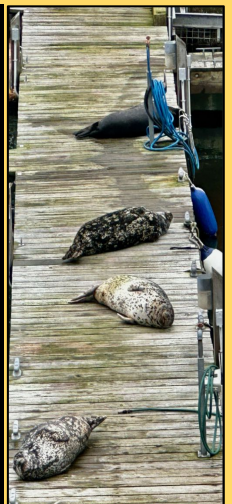
Unfortunately they couldn't find many.

Students were challenged to keep on the lookout for wild animals during recess times and when not at school.

Where are all the animals?

Ms. Millhouse TOOK ACTION

Look what she found in Horseshoe Bay.



**LUNAR NEW YEAR 2025
YEAR OF THE SNAKE**



Thank you to all of the parents helping with preparations for our celebrations on Friday 31 January.

JUNIOR IGNITE DISTRICT CHOIR

We are excited to announce that applications are now open for the Junior Ignite District Choir, a premier program offered by West Vancouver Schools for students in grades 5 through 7. This exceptional opportunity is designed for young students who have a passion for singing and wish to develop their vocal talents in a supportive and dynamic environment. The Junior Ignite District Choir focuses on:

- **Vocal Training:** Enhancing students' singing abilities through professional instruction.
- **Musical Education:** Building a strong foundation in music theory and choral performance.
- **Community Engagement:** Providing opportunities to perform at various events, fostering a sense of community and teamwork.

We encourage all interested parents to visit our website for detailed information on program specifics, application procedures, and important dates: [Junior Ignite District Choir](#).

Don't miss this chance to inspire your child's musical journey. Apply now and let their voices shine!

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.

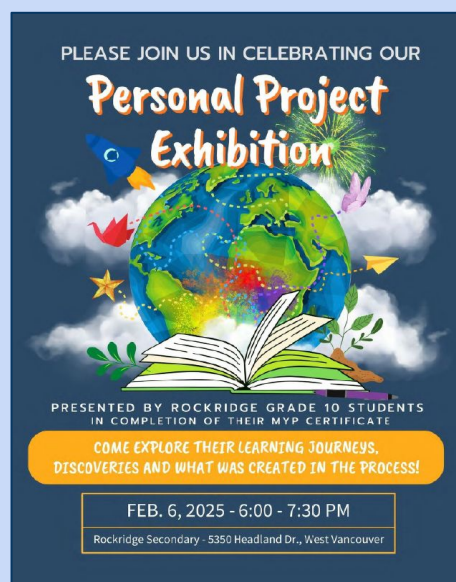
Please take time to read with your child, have them write in a "holiday" journal, do Math IXL online, participate in any assignments shared via Google Classroom (intermediate students), and take advantage of other emergent opportunities to practise foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and 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.

Dear Future Raven Families,

We wanted to make sure we extended the invitation to all of you for our **Rockridge Personal Project Exhibition** which is taking place **Thursday, February 6th, 2025**. We have a large group of Grade 10 students this year – *almost 200!* – and they will be presenting to our community from 6:00 – 7:30 pm.

Our students are always surprised to find out how many people come to visit Personal Project Exhibition in the evening, and we'd love for you to be a part of those visitors! It is a great event to see our students in action and speak to them about their learning. It is also a nice time to see the school, wander through the hallways and get more familiar with the building.



Item	Description	Link	Submission Date
Donation to Commemorate Miss Ross	Donations will be used to enhance and dedicate our garden; print copies of the Memory Book for the library and family members; a scholarship for graduating Secondary students.	<u>HERE</u>	July 1, 2025



SAVE THE DATE, GR 7 GRADUATION CEREMONY

Tuesday 24 June @ 1:00 PM - Kay Meek

Return-It Express

West Bay Grade 7 Fundraiser for Grad



Grade 7 Bottle Return! Fundraiser

Please support the Grade 7s by taking your refundable bottles and cans in a CLEAR garbage bag to a "Return It Express and GO" drop location. There is one at Park Royal, but you can go to any location. Bags can be purchased from any grocery store.

Instructions:

Put in our user phone number 604-839-8114 to PRINT sticker LABELS for your bag(s) from the kiosk. (This label will ensure that West Bay gets money from the bottles.)

Once your bag is labeled, use your phone to TEXT our code "SGTS" to the number listed on the kiosk. You will be texted back with a PIN to type into the keypad next to the door. Place the bag inside, no sorting needed.

Easy as can be!

For more information on what can be recycled and where the kiosks are (Park Royal near Winners and Superstore North Van are two options), please visit the website: <https://www.return-it.ca/express/expresstips/>

For questions, text 604-839-8114.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

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

Returning Parents Order [Here](#)
New Parents Order [Here](#)

LAST ORDERING DATE
WILL BE 15 MAY 2025
LAST LUNCH 20 JUNE 2025

VOLUNTEERS ARE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY

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



DISTRICT/ COMMUNITY EVENTS

OPEN PARACHUTE

Open Parachute is a school program being used in West Vancouver classrooms in grades 6-9. It is one tool we are using to support social emotional learning.

This resource is also available to all parents and it is fantastic. Parents are strongly encouraged (no matter the age of your child) to sign up and create an account.

You will have access to short video clips and lessons to help equip parents to handle those emotional ups and downs that are inevitable. To sign up for an account use this [link](#).

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Starting now, individual "Community Connections" will no longer be included in our school bulletins. Instead, all local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#)

Foundry North Shore Presents

KEEPING KIDS SAFE ONLINE

Foundry North Shore Welcomes
Key Note Speaker
Courtney Liem, Program Facilitator,
PLEA's Children of the Street Program
As she guides us through
'Keeping Kids Safe Online'

Part 1: Overview – discusses and defines different forms of online sexual exploitation,
Part 2: App Literacy – a review of today's most popular apps used by children and youth.

Part 3: Practical Conversations - how to talk children and youth about online safety

Wednesday Jan 29, 2025
6:30 - 7:45 pm
Virtually - ZOOM
Please register for more information



<https://Keeping-kids-safe-online.eventbrite.com>



DPAC	24-25 EXEC	24-25 PAC
5 Feb, 09:00 AM	9 Jan, 7:00 PM	
5 Mar, 09:00 AM	6 Feb, 7:00 PM	13 Feb, 7:00 PM
2 April, 09:00 AM	6 Mar, 7:00 PM	No Meeting
7 May, 09:00 AM	3 April, 7:00 PM	10 April, 7:00 PM
4 June, 09:00 AM	8 May, 7:00 PM	15 May, 7:00 PM
	5 June, 7:00 PM	12 June, 7:00 PM

THE 2025 WVBC SPRING PROGRAM

Registration for the WVBC's 8-week Spring Program is now open! All sessions will be held at West Van Secondary School and will be led by WVBC Head Coach, Greg Meldrum. Last year, the program completely sold out, so don't delay in signing up, as spots are limited.

Click [HERE](#) for more info.

WHY CHOOSE WVBC?

Now in its 17th year, the West Vancouver Basketball Club has coached and mentored thousands of North Shore players since the fall of 2009. With basketball as its conduit, the WVBC preaches core values such as discipline, hard-work, cooperation, perseverance, respect... skills that will greatly benefit the players off the court throughout their youth and beyond.

Over the years, the WVBC has developed a reputation of being an inclusive club for parents and players who are looking for an excellent basketball experience delivered by a caring and competent coaching staff.

We can't wait to see you this Spring!



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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.