



THE WOLF



WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 3 MARCH

[West Bay Website](#)

REGISTRATION OPEN ONLINE NOW CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR



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*Thursday 6 March
FIELD OPEN FOR PARKING*

WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY CHILD AWAY FROM SCHOOL
[CLICK HERE FOR DETAILS](#)

SPRING BREAK

If you are leaving earlier than Friday 14 March and returning later than 31 March please let the school office know as soon as possible
sbarrie@wvschools.ca

2025-26 IB FEES

IB Fees will increase to \$550 for the 2025-2026 school year, pending approval from the Board of Education. The increase is due to salary increases from the 2022-2025 Collective Agreement with teachers. At West Bay, we have an IB Coordinator as well as other teachers who release our classroom and other teachers to meet with our IB Coordinator to discuss planning and assessment. Our built-in weekly professional development for teachers accounts for almost all of our revenue from school fees. We will offer payment options as soon as the school fee is approved by the Board.

ITEMS DUE FOR PAYMENT
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR SCO

GRADE 3 TRIP TO CHEAKAMUS CENTRE BY SCHOOL BUS

Permission Slip [HERE](#), Fee due 12 Mar

GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to our Girls' Basketball Team for an outstanding performance in the final jamboree at WVSS! The team played with skill, determination, and sportsmanship, winning three games and tying one on their way to the championship match.

In the final game against Westcot, our athletes gave it their all, battling hard until the final buzzer. The game ended with a close score of **23-16**, earning our team a well-deserved **second-place finish!**

We are incredibly proud of their effort, teamwork, and dedication throughout the season. Another fantastic achievement—way to go, team! - *Thank you to coaches - Ms. Lee, Cassius G and Ms. Little for a great season!*



EASTER CHOCOLATES ORDER [HERE](#) BY 7 APRIL
Support Campaign #78173
(Collect at office on 17 April)



LEARNING UPDATES

On Friday, March 14th, your child's/children's Term Two Learning Update(s) will be uploaded to the MyEducation Family Portal.

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.

[HERE is the link to MYED.](#)

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) **before Spring Break.**

On Friday, March 14th, you will receive another email from sysadmin@myeducation.gov.bc.ca with details about accessing the Term Two Learning Updates.

MARCH

4	Last Robotics Class <i>Will not continue for 3rd Term</i>
6	West Bay Celebrates Nowruz 
11	Floor Hockey for K-Gr 4s
12	Gr 4 Field Trip by School Bus
12	Last Debate Club <i>Will not continue for 3rd Term</i>
13	Floor Hockey for K-Gr 4s
13	Grade 7 Band to RR by P/Bus - 1:30 Departure
13	Last Steamoji Class <i>Will continue after Spring Break</i>
14	Last Day of School Learning Updates will be published on MYED
17-30	Spring Break Holiday
31	First Day Back to School

WEST BAY'S 2023-2026 SCHOOL GOAL

FESL (Framework for Enhancing Student Learning) PLAN SUMMARY IS [HERE](#)

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.

INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

Students heard stories in all different languages last Friday in their Den groups. Many EAS, students, and teachers were great communicators sharing favourite stories and songs. Lots of great inquiry like "what does language sound like to people who don't speak it?" Kindie asks: "Why do we have different languages?"

Thank you to Mrs Jackson, one of West Bay's ELL Teachers, for leading this initiative and to EAs, Teachers and Students for their participation

LISTEN IN [HERE](#)



PINK SHIRT DAY - RISK TAKERS AND LEADERS

Students in division 8 prepared presentations for Pink Shirt Day. They learned and performed "Lost Boy" on the ukulele for the primary classes. Students reflected on the meaning of this song and why it was appropriate for Pink Shirt Day. Way to go Division 8 for being risk-takers and leaders!

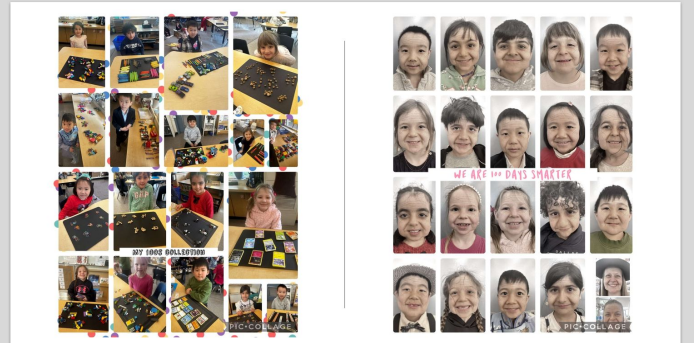


100TH DAY OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION IN GRADE 1

NUMERACY: "I can count by 10s to 100!"

We had so much fun with 100s day. Students practiced grouping their 100 objects and counting by 10s. We had a fun graphing activity and we used ten frames to make necklaces! We even created a fun class book imagining what we'd do in 100 years!

Here is what we'd look like in 100 years!



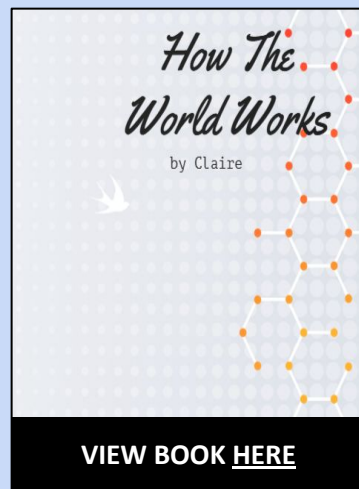
BUILDING LIFE SKILLS AND MAKING CONNECTIONS

The Grade 3s travelled by public bus to go swimming with the Grade 3s from Cypress Park on Thursday, Feb. 20th. They learned how to take public transit to the West Vancouver Aquatic Center, which was very fun and exciting! Once at the Rec Center, they met their future classmates from Cypress Park. The Grade 3s have been writing letters back and forth with the Cypress Park students and were very excited to meet their pen pals in person. The swimming was awesome! Everyone had so much fun and showed excellent independence by changing all by themselves.



HOW THE WORLD WORKS - JOURNALS IN PROCESS

Grade 3 students sharing out their knowledge on Book Creator.



**EROSION
ICE CAN CHANGE THE
WORLD**

CLICK [HERE](#) TO HEAR
HOW



COMING SOON
7 APRIL @ 3:00 PM



**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.

**CLICK [HERE](#) IF YOU WISH
TO MAKE A DONATION**

LINK CLOSES 1 JULY 2025

Grade 7 students will be hosting a Book Sale after school on 7 April from 3:00 PM.

Book Donations Welcomed

Books Can Only be Dropped Off in the Large Box that will be in the front entrance AFTER SPRING BREAK

**GRADE 7 ONGOING FUNDRAISER
BOTTLE RETURNS**

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.

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.

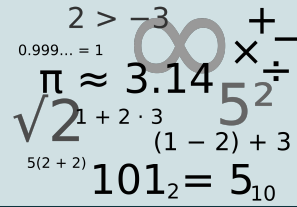
Please take time to read with your child, have them write in a "holiday" journal, do Math IXL online, participate in any assignments shared via Google Classroom (intermediate students), and take advantage of other emergent opportunities to practise foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and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

THIRD TERM BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

**MATH IN THE MORNINGS
MONDAYS BEFORE SCHOOL
IN LEARNING COMMONS**

Will begin Monday 7 April



**READING IN LEARNING COMMONS
THURSDAYS BEFORE SCHOOL**

FROM 08:30 AM

Will begin 3rd April



**CHESS IN THE MORNINGS
FRIDAYS BEFORE SCHOOL**

Will begin 4th April



**STEAMOJI THIRD TERM - GRADES 1-7
THURSDAYS, 3-4 PM IN THE LEARNING COMMONS**



steamoji



INTRO TO SCRATCH CODING

Scratch is a beginner-friendly, block-based programming language developed by MIT. It allows students to create interactive stories, animations, and games while building a strong foundation in coding concepts. Through Scratch, kids develop problem-solving skills, logical thinking, and creativity, making it a great introduction to both digital arts and programming.

Thursdays at 3-4pm
10 April 2025
17 April 2025
24 April 2025
8 May 2025
15 May 2025
22 May 2025
29 May 2025
5 June 2025
12 June 2025
19 June 2025

Complete Registration Form [HERE](#), then email form [HERE](#)
Please register by 10 April. 10 Places Available

DPAC	24-25 EXEC	24-25 PAC
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

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](#)

THE 2025 WEST VANCOUVER BASKETBALL

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.



VOLUNTEERS ARE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY

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



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

WHERE TO NEXT FOR WEST VANCOUVER SCHOOLS

If you are interested in the direction of West Vancouver Schools, you may wish to read the blogs of District leaders. Assistant Superintendent Sandra-Lynn Shortall's blog, "[Sandra-Lynn's Spin](#)," serves as a platform for knowledge sharing in educational leadership and inclusive design. Her posts cover a range of topics including modernizing educational designs, the importance of human connection, the integration of artificial intelligence in education, and fostering inclusivity in public education. Superintendent Chris Kennedy's blog, "[The Culture of Yes](#)," explores innovative ideas in education, emphasizing the importance of new approaches to enhancing learning. Topics include insights on leadership, technology integration, physical literacy, change, and fostering a positive educational culture. Both blogs are written for an audience of educators and parents so please consider having a read!

CODE OF CONDUCT

PARKING DOS AND DON'TS

24-25 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR

SPECIAL EVENT PARKING

WEST BAY WEBSITE SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

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I acknowledge and am thankful to live, learn, and work on the territory of the Coast Salish people, specifically the Sḵwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nation, on whose territory West Vancouver Schools resides.