

THE WOLF

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 14 APRIL West Bay Website





REGISTRATION OPEN ONLINE NOW CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

FOLLOW US ON WEST BAY'S INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT HERE

Thank you to everyone who supported the Gr 7 Book Sale and Chocolate Fundraisers.



TOMORROW

The Student Council would like everyone to wear their favorite jersey to school



WEST BAY PAC MEETING 10 April @ 07:00 PM Online Click **HERE** for Agenda. **Zoom Link HERE**

Meeting ID: 897 9266 7045 Passcode: 890375

Budget Amendment Notice

The General PAC meeting on May 15, 2025, at 7 PM via Zoom will include a vote on a budget amendment to subsidize spring fair costs. Last year's budget was presented before the spring fair, so we couldn't add a line item for this year, but it's proposed for next school year. The amendment allocates \$5,000 for the spring fair to lower wristband prices, making it more affordable for families. We believe using funds for events like the spring fair and back-to-school BBQ fosters community connection and is a meaningful way to support our school and families.

SCHOOL CASH CLICK HERE

Grade 6 Students. Inhouse UBC Gearing Up Workshop \$8 Due by 17 April

COMING APRIL FOR PAYMENT

Grade 2 Students, Parent Drivers Div 12 to Salmon Hatchery - 9 May Div 11 to Salmon Hatchery - 12 May Kindergarten Students, by Bus Van Dusen Gardens - 15 May **All Students - Tennis** Live end April, \$6 per student

COMING MAY FOR PAYMENT

25-26 Grade 6 Students

Camp Summit Outdoor School 22-24 September, 2025

Will go live in May for payment in 3 instalments by end August.

GR 7 ULTIMATE GAME #2 @ 3:45 ON 15 APRIL, **CEDARDALE FIELD**

The Grade 7 Ultimate team had a great and rainy start to the season! The team played well despite the rain and won 2 games, and tied one.

Well done West Bay!



EASTER CHOCOLATE ORDERS COLLECTION AT OFFICE - 17 APRIL



2025-26 IB FEES

Now due, this amount may be paid on School Cash Online in up to 4 instalments if you sign up by April 23rd - on May 1, June 1, July 1 & August 1.

Please click **HERE** to access **School Cash Online.** The IB Fee Request Letter can be accessed HERE.

2025-26 SCHOOL SUPPLIES ORDER HERE, Code 4506 FROM 1-30 APRIL

All Supplies will be delivered to West Bay end August awaiting students' return in September.



APRIL 10 FIRST Steamoji After School, 3-4 PM PAC Meeting Online at 7:00 PM 14 **IB Evaluation** First Math Club of this Term - in Div 3 14 15 **IB Evaluation** 15 Ultimate Game #2 @ 3:45, CED 18 **Good Friday** 21 **Easter Monday** 22 Ultimate Game #3 @ 3:45, RI 22 Online Booking Opens - L Conferences 24 **Group and Panorama Photos** Online Booking Closes - L Conferences

SUMMER LEARNING 2025 REGISTER HERE OPENS 08:00 AM ON 7 APRIL

(PEN Numbers on School Reports)

Are you interested in learning during the summer? West Vancouver Schools will be offering a robust Summer Learning Program for both elementary and secondary students during July 2025.

Online registration for both the elementary and secondary Summer Learning programs opens on Monday, April 7 at 8:00 AM. Elementary registration closes on May 9.

Secondary registration closes on June 13. More information about courses, locations, attendance etc. can be found on the Summer Learning information flyers (elementary or secondary).

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Monday, April 22 from 10:20-11:00

Can you help with varnishing of our fish in our Stream of Dreams - if so, please email cng@wvschools.ca



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.

The **Media and Mental Health** Group met with a mental health expert online this week to brainstorm about kind of information they should be putting on the website they are creating that would offer help to those suffering in the community with mental health issues.

Sean Burke, the group's expert, who is the founder and CEO of checkingin.co - a mental health app - that grounds healing in indigenous culture advised the group that, although they could code a website, it was probably a good idea to use an off the shelf model, as they would be spending the bulk of their time researching relevant and appropriate information in the creation of a website with a mental health focus.

The Censorship and Expression Group

What does it feel like to care so deeply about something that you're moved to create signs and start a petition? And what does it feel like when those efforts are suddenly censored?

As part of their inquiry into expression and censorship, Grade 7 students designed a simulation to help our intermediate learners experience both the power of expression and the impact of censorship—even if just for a short time. On Monday, students were told that soccer might be banned at school. By Tuesday, students had created posters and petitions in protest. On Wednesday, their materials were unexpectedly censored. And on Thursday, they discovered that it was all a simulation—carefully planned to provoke thought and discussion.

So if you've heard any rumours about Mr. Slater banning soccer, rest assured, that's not happening! What is happening is rich, real-world learning about disinformation, freedom of expression, and the different perspectives on something as everyday as soccer at West Bay.

We recognize that this simulation may have sparked concern or confusion for some students. But that emotional response is part of the learning. Around the world, many people experience real limitations on their voice and freedom. Our hope is that this experience helps students reflect on how precious—and fragile—freedom can be.

If you've been discussing these ideas at home, thank you for supporting your child's learning journey.



This week the group studying **Sustainable Design and Technology** participated in a guided tour of the CIRS (**Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability**) building on UBC Campus! The Centre is one of only a handful of buildings worldwide that will provide "net positive" benefits to the environment. It reduces UBC's carbon emissions, powers itself and a neighboring building with renewable and waste energy, creates drinking water from rain and treats wastewater onsite.





<u>Learner Profile</u> <u>2024-25 Programme of Inquiry</u> Ways to Support Your Child as a PYP Parent



STUDENT LEARNING

LEARNING CONFERENCES - 1 AND 2 MAY

Early Dismissal on both days at 11:30 AM

(Booking for these conferences will open online on 22nd April and close on 20th April)

Students are looking forward to showcasing their growth in learning from Term 1 to Term 3 with you during conferences. They will also be setting personal goals for the remainder of this school year.

Your child/ren will focus and share on the following key areas :

Aspects of the Learner Profile Core Competencies Curricular Competencies Content from Term 3

HOW THE WORLD WORKS

Grade 6 students have been developing their woodworking skills - looking at how science and design work together to shape the future. Building birdhouses was a way to think about the useful design, learn some new hands on skills and have some fun! Thank you to all the parent volunteers who came out to lend a hand.



INDIGENOUS PERFORMANCE - TRIBAL VISION DANCE

On Monday, West Bay Elementary had the privilege of hosting **Tribal Vision Dance** for a vibrant and educational performance that
celebrated Indigenous culture through music, dance, and
storytelling. Students were captivated by the powerful blend of
traditional and contemporary powwow-style dancing, as well as the
cultural teachings shared throughout the presentation. This
enriching experience was made possible through our **West Bay PAC**as well as ArtStarts in Schools, an organization that supports
arts-based learning experiences for students across British
Columbia. We are grateful to the PAC, Tribal Vision Dance and
ArtStarts for helping us bring this unique cultural learning
opportunity to our school. The event offered a meaningful
opportunity for our school community to deepen our understanding
of Indigenous traditions and perspectives.



COMING UP THIS TERM

8 May	Grade 7 Exhibition Sharing the Planet
27 MAY	Welcome to Kindergarten (09:00-12:00 PM)
28 /29 MAY	District Field Events, Gr 4-7-Westcot
30 MAY	Spring Fair, 4-7 PM
4 JUNE	Primary Performance. K to Grade 3 1:45 and 6:00 PM
5 JUNE	District Track Meet, Gr 4-7
13 JUNE	Sports Day - Dismissal at 12:15
20 JUNE	Grade 7 Band - Morning End of Year Performance
24 JUNE	Gr 7 Promotional Ceremony Kay Meek Theatre @ 1:30 PM
26 JUNE	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 11:45 DISMISSAL

GR 7 PYP EXHIBITION SHARING THE PLANET

Students engage in a collaborative, transdisciplinary inquiry process that involves identifying, investigating and offering solutions to real-life issues or problems.





KITTY GREY AND THE REALM OF COLOURS

KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 3 PERFORMANCE

June 4th, 2025 I Matinee at 1:45 PM I Evening at 6:00 PM (2 tickets per family for each performance)



RBC RACE FOR KIDS TO JOIN THE TEAM OR DONATE CLICK HERE - \$1,000 GOAL

In just under a week, we already have 11 team members and have raised \$84 dollars!

More info to come!! Please check the WOLF regularly or contact Ms. Millhouse (cmillhouse@wvschools.ca)



2025-26 BAND PROGRAMS FOR GRADE 6 AND 7 STUDENTS

In 2025-2026, the supplemental fees for the Band Program are as follows:

March 31 – May 31: \$390 As of June 1: \$425

Fees should be paid by credit card at the time of registration, or by cheque, given directly to your band teacher. For alternative payment methods, please phone 604-981-1000.

This school-based instrumental instruction for students is designed as a preparatory program for the secondary band programs offered in each high school.

Core components of the program include:

☐ Instrumental Playing Skills:
Students receive two lessons a week. The Band
Program provides school-based instrumental
instruction and is funded by supplemental fees.

The program is designed to develop a range of instrumental music skills and complements the BC Ministry of Education's Music curriculum.

2025 – 2026 Online band registration form



WVML FREE APRIL EVENTS

LEGO Stop-Motion Animation | Grades 4-5

Thursday, April 10, 3:45 - 5 p.m.

Work together to create a short film in this class that combines animation, green screens, and LEGO.

Register HERE.

Draw Your Art Out! | Grades 4-7

Wednesday, April 23, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Calling all doodlers: join us in The Lab as we explore using iPads to create digital art. Register <u>HERE</u>.

Escape Room: Continent Cruise | Grades 5-7

Thursday, April 24, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Work together in teams using literacy skills, creativity, and critical thinking to find clues, solve puzzles, and crack the codes! Register <u>HERE</u>.

Adopt-A-Fish: Salmon Release and Storytime

Saturday, April 26, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Start your morning with a fishy-themed storytime. Then, head to Memorial Park and release a juvenile Coho Salmon into the wild! More HERE.



Office of the Medical Health Officer 5th floor, 132 Esplanade West North Vancouver BC V7M 1A2 Tel: 604-983-6700 / Fax: 604-983-6883

10 March 2025

Dear Student, Parents, Guardians and Staff

Re: Reminder to get your vaccinations updated. Measles is on the rise globally and pertussis (whooping cough) is making a comeback locally.

We would like to remind you to check your family's vaccination records and update your vaccinations as needed. Measles cases are being reported around the world. Please get your measles immunizations up to date, particularly if you are planning on travelling for Spring break. Two doses of measles containing vaccine are needed for everyone born 1970 or later. Children are usually offered these vaccines at 12 months of age and kindergarten entry. While most school age children are immunized, some may have missed their first or second dose during the pandemic. Infants travelling to high-risk areas can get a dose starting at 6 months. Those born before 1970 are considered protected but you may receive one dose if you do not recall a history of measles infection and are travelling to an area with active transmission.

Please also ensure that your family's pertussis immunizations are up to date. Pertussis is a bacterial infection of the lungs that is making a return. While people of any age can get ill, young children who have not been immunized get sicker than older children and adults. Children are offered pertussis-containing vaccines at 2, 4, 6, 18 months, 4-6 years, and in grade 9. Pertussis immunization is also recommended during pregnancy for the protection of newborns.

Adults can be immunized by their family doctor or pharmacist (Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) Vaccines | BC Pharmacy Association). If you are unsure if your child is fully protected against measles, pertussis or other vaccine preventable diseases, please visit BC Health Gateway or scan this QR code to book an appointment:

To check immunization records, visit Health Gateway or scan this QR code.



To book an appointment to update your child's immunization, visit https://www.vch.ca/en/service/immunization-clinics or scan this QR code to find the closest public health clinic (for infants and children) or

pharmacy (for ages 4 years and older).



If you have immunization records for you or your child that are not recorded in Health Gateway profile, please submit these online to immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca .

Sincerely,

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Dr. Ceinwen Pope School Medical Officer – Coastal Urban

Promoting wellness, Ensuring care. Vancouver Coastal Health Authority

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

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 <u>HERE</u> IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A DONATION -LINK CLOSES 1 JULY 2025

VOLUNTEERS ARE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY

If you are able to help out please sign up HERE.





BC GRANTS

If your child is between their 6th birthday and the day before they turn 9, they may be eligible for a \$1 200 grant from the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care.

Details are here.

USEFUL LINKS:

CODE OF CONDUCT

24-25 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR

WEST BAY WEBSITE SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

MYEDUCATION BC

WEST BAY PAC

DPAC	24-25 EXEC	24-25 PAC
7 May, 09:00 AM		
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

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 <u>link.</u>







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.



Registration is Open for the following West Vancouver Schools Academy Programs:

Basketball: https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/basketball/ **Field Hockey:** https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/field-hockey/

Soccer: tps://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/soccer/ **Tennis:** https://westvancouverschools.ca/academies/tennis/

LITERACY GAMES FOR PRIMARY STUDENTS CLICK HERE.

Outdoor pickleball courts and pump track proposed near Gleneagles Community Centre

The District of West Vancouver is exploring the idea of constructing four outdoor pickleball courts and a new paved pump track near the Gleneagles Community Centre (GECC) to enhance recreation opportunities for residents in the western part of the community. This proposal could involve replacing the existing Bike Terrain Park and Skateboard Bowl located north of GECC.

The design for this proposal is in its preliminary phase and may be modified based on input from the community. The District of West Vancouver are seeking your feedback to help shape this potential project.

https://www.westvancouverite.ca/gleneagles

Scott Slater

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