

# THE WOLF

# WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 26 MAY



**West Bay Website** 

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

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# **INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT HERE**



# SPRING FAIR 30 MAY | WEST BAY I 4-7 PM



**CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS** 

VOLUNTEER LINK BELOW CLICK HERE

#### **FIELD MEETS**

28 May - Grades 6/7 @ Westcot 29 May - Grades 4 and 5 @ Westcot Parent messaging will be emailed Monday re Parking

# TRACK MEET

5 June at SFU
Parent Messaging to follow
shortly

# **SCHOOL CASH CLICK HERE**

Playland - Grade 6 and 7s
Payment Due Now
Field Events
\$10 Activity Fee Due Now
Track Events
\$10 Activity Fee Live Tomorrow
Ridge Wilderness - Grade 7s
18 June, By Bus, \$40 Live to Pay
High Risk Form HERE

# 2025-26 Camp Summit

Online Waiver <u>HERE</u> to be completed by 31 May

Full payment due by 31 August.
2025-26 IB Fees

Full payment due by 31 August

# **LEAVING EARLIER THAN 26 JUNE**

The School Office needs to know <u>sbarrie@wvschools.ca</u>

#### **RETURN TO SCHOOL ON 2025-2026**

As families begin to make summer plans, please note that the first day of school for the 2025-2026 school year is Tuesday, September 2nd, and that students must be in school by 3 PM on Thursday, September 4th to secure their placement at West Bay.

Our funding from the Ministry of Education and Child Care requires that we confirm our enrollment and therefore we must have students in attendance by this time.

If there are extraordinary circumstances, please contact Principal Slater

# 2025-26 NEW BELL SCHEDULE

08:45-08:50	Welcome Bell	
10:50-11:10	Morning Recess	
12:30-12:45	Lunch Inside Eating	
12:45-1:07	Lunch Recess	
1:07-1:10	Returning to Class	
2:50 PM	End of the Day	

# 2025-26 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR

**CLICK HERE** 

	MAY			
ſ	21	Pizza Kit Order Deadline		
	23	Celtic Dance Workshops for Gr 2/3		
	25	Gr 7 Car Wash, 11-2 PM		
	26	Week of Tennis for Students		
	27	Welcome to Kindergarten, 9-12		
	28	Gr 6/7 Field Event, 3:30 PM @ Westcot		
	<mark>29</mark>	Gr 4/5 Field Event, 3:30 PM @ Westcot		
	30	Cyber Safety Gr 7s, 9-11 AM PAC 2nd Annual Spring Fair, 4-7		
	31	Early Bird Deadline for 25-26 Band Fee		
		JUNE		
	2	Gr 6 Dose #2 and K Catch Up		
	4	Primary Performances of Kitty Grey and the Realm of Colours, 1:45 and 6:00 PM		
	4	Collection of Pizza Kits -office		
	5	District Track Meet - SFU Vision Clinic for K Students		
	6	WVYB at West Bay, 09:15 AM K Students @ WB Beach		
Deadline for		Deadline for Fish Fundraiser		
	10	Gr 7 Band Performing at CP		
	13	Sports Day - Dismissal at 12:15		
	16/17	Division 7 Sailing		
	18/19	Division 8 Sailing		
	18	Gr 7 Ridge Wilderness Canoeing		
	19	Gr 6 and 7 students to Playland		
20 Gr 7 Band - End of Yea Performance Gr 2s to WB Beach				
+	23	Gr 1s to WB Beach		
	24	Gr 7 Grad Ceremony Gr 3s to WB Beach		
+	25	End of Year Assembly		
į	26	Last Day of School 11:45 Dismissal		

2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR - PAC MEETING COMING UP ON 12 JUNE - 7:00 PM, AGM PAC EXECUTIVE NOMINATION FORM HERE and ROLE DESCRIPTION HERE

Budget Notes <u>HERE</u>
Copy of 2025-26 Proposed Budget HERE

#### 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.

#### **GRADE 4 PHYSICAL LITERACY**

Old School Games with Amber and Erin

Students in gr 4 had a lot of fun learning and playing three games with Amber and Erin last week. The games were jacks, hopscotch, and elastic jump rope. The games are a great alternative to develop fine and gross motor skills as well as collaboration to follow and adapt game rules while engaging with peers in different ways outside.



#### WHERE WE ARE IN PLACE AND TIME

Indigenous ways of life are guided by tradition and survival
Darius's Diorama

"I have fire and people dressed in clothes made of animal fur. I have a river and a canoe, I have grass and a sunset - I had to think creatively to make it. I used my research skills to find facts about how they lived hundreds of years ago. The concept is this shows tradition because it's the same way they lived hundreds of years ago".



#### WHERE WE ARE IN PLACE AND TIME

Last week, K students took a wonderful field trip to VanDusen Botanical Garden. Students had the opportunity to explore a variety of unique living things and immerse themselves in the natural beauty around them. They acted as young scientists—looking closely, sketching, and reflecting on the diverse plants and features they discovered throughout the gardens. It was a hands-on, curiosity-driven experience that sparked thoughtful questions and inspired deeper connections to our unit.



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



#### A VISIT FROM KATH MURDOCH

Renowned educator Kath Murdoch visited West Bay last week.

She toured classrooms and shared ideas for enhancing inquiry-based learning and student agency.



Ms. Murdoch is an Australian educator, author, and consultant who has spent more than three decades championing inquiry-based learning in primary and middle-years classrooms around the world. We are incredibly lucky she visited us and shared her insights and vast resource library. Thank you to the West Bay PAC for making this visit possible.

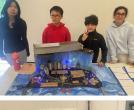
# **GRADE 6 FUTURE CITIES BUILD**

The Grade 6s showcased their Future Cities Build last week!

Students had to design a floating city that would exist 100 years in the future with sea levels rising. Groups had to think about renewable energy sources, sustainable transportation, infrastructure to support their residents, as well as build some sort of moving part. Students showcased their creative thinking in their design and build, as well as their critical thinking to solve problems and create moving parts. Students also had to use strong communication skills to work with their group on such a big project! Well done Grade 6s, and thank you to all classes and parents that attended the Fair! Four of the groups have made it through to the final competition on 2nd June at Westcot where they will compete against other district elementary schools. We wish them all the best at the next stage of the competition.









# KITTY GREY AND THE REALM OF COLOURS

# **KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 3 PERFORMANCE**

June 4th, 2025 I Matinee at 1:45 PM I Evening Performance at 6:00 PM

(2 tickets per family will come home on 2nd June for each performance)



# **RBC RACE FOR KIDS - 8 JUNE**

Almost tripled our goal! 33 Members! 4<sup>th</sup> place on the school leaderboard!!

TO JOIN THE TEAM OR DONATE CLICK <u>HERE</u>

Please check the WOLF regularly or contact Ms. Millhouse (<a href="mailto:cmillhouse@wvschools.ca">cmillhouse@wvschools.ca</a>)





# 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

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

2025 - 2026 Online band registration form

# **REGISTER HERE**

### 2025-26 BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE, GR 4-7

We encourage students in Grades 4-7 to bring a laptop or Chromebook to school. At West Bay, we take a balanced approach to technology: we use them when they are useful and don't when they're not. We find they become more and more useful as students move from grade 4 to 7 but it is helpful for all students in this age group to have a device. Please <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> to find further details about how devices are used and some suggestions for purchasing.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR SPORTS DAY - 13 JUNE - 12:15 DISMISSAL

Team Colours and Theme Coming Soon





Grade 7
Promotional Ceremony
24 JUNE

Kay Meek Theatre @ 1:00-2:30 PM

Students arrive with families for 12:30 PM

# 2025-26 SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Thank you to everyone who ordered with EDUPAC before the deadline - all supplies will be delivered to school end August for start up in September.

If you chose to purchase your own supplies please ensure that you purchase everything on the lists below for your new grade. We will be setting up \$9 payments on SCO for school planners for Grades 1-6, who did not order with EDUPAC, at the end of June.

# **KINDERGARTEN LIST**

**GRADE 1 LIST** 

**GRADE 2 LIST** 

**GRADE 3 LIST** 

**GRADE 4 LIST** 

**GRADE 5 LIST** 

**GRADE 6 LIST** 

**GRADE 7 LIST** 



**CODE OF CONDUCT** 

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# **VOLUNTEERS ARE A GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY**

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





PIZZA FUNDRAISER
Collection
Wed 4 June
School Office

# Fisherman's Market

Something's fishy and it's a fundraiser! Let's make a splash for West Bay's graduating class by supporting the Grade 7 students in an easy and delicious way! Order premium, locally sourced seafood online through the Fisherman's Market in Caulfield Village. It's simple, tasty and helps our grade 7's reel in a memorable graduation.

Ordering opens May 19 to June 6. Pick up in store.

Thank you so much for your support!!

**ORDER HERE** 

### **GRADE 7 FUNDRAISER**

Come out and support our Grade 7s Sunday 25 May, 11-2 PM Hollyburn Funeral Home



As part of a new series on digital citizenship, we will be sharing best practices for parents/caregivers on popular social media platforms. First up: Snapchat. Check out the resource below to learn how to help your child stay safe and informed online.



# Parent's Guide to Snapchat



# General Information

Snapchat is a social media app where people share photos, videos and messages. It also has a location feature and now has AI built in.



Snapchat's own policy states that users must be 13 or older. For a person who is unger than 13 to create a Snapchat account, they have LIED about their age.

Unfortuately, students as young as 10 and 11 years have gotten caught up in cyber- bullying and sexploitation on Snapchat

# Disappearing Snaps

Messages and images (snaps) get deleted after being viewed (or 24 hours after being sent). But there are ways people can screen shot snaps and continue to share around the world.

# Did You Know?

In Canada, cyberbullying and child pornography can be criminal offenses. If your child participates in either of these, while using Snapchat (or other social media), you, as the parent, can be held liable for what they have done, and be prosecuted by law.

# "Friends"

People you connect with on Snapchat are called "friends" but the app itself will push you to connect with people you do not know. This is not safe.

# Snapchat at School

West Vancouver Schools DOFS NOT allow students to access SnapChat while using school wifi.

# If your child is under 13

- They SHOULD NOT be using Snapchat
- As soon as they enter school grounds, their phone should be put away and not brought out again until they leave school grounds
- · Consider holding off on getting them a phone as long as possible and if you do get them a phone, make sure you rules and guidelines over its

# Did you know?

- Snapchat has gamified many of its features, in order to appeal to younger users. Snapstreaks and snapscore are two ways to keep kids interested in the app.
- Snapchat is used by drug dealers and sexual predators as a way to friend" and then access young people.
- Snapmap allows people to show others exactly where they are. This can
- The "Discover" section of Snapchat can expose students to inappropriate content.

# If your child has Snapchat Make sure they are old enough to be on it - remember, at least 13!!

- · Make sure your are one of their "friends" and monitor their account
- Talk to them about their Snapchat use on a regular basis
- Make sure they know how to block and report users and content
- Familiarize yourself with all of the settings and features then talk to your child about safety and your family values and rules
- · Remember, YOU are the adult! If your child is not using their phone safely, you can take it away or shut off their data.

# **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.

# ROCKRIDGE SECONDARY MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THURSDAY, JUNE 5 ROCKRIDGE GYM ADMISSION BY DONATION

#### **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

# **WVBC Summer Camp Registration REGISTER HERE**



# **WEST BAY PAC**

DPAC	24-25 EXEC	24-25 PAC
4 June, 09:00 AM		
	5 June, 7:00 PM	12 June, 7:00 PM







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