



**WEST BAY**  
ELEMENTARY

# THE WOLF

WOLF WEEK BEGINNING 26 JANUARY

[West Bay Website](#)



[2026-27 KINDERGARTEN AND CATCHMENT GR 1-12 REGISTRATION](#)



WEST BAY INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT [HERE](#)



## Digital Wellness & Student Success: Speaker Series Schedule

Jan 28 @ 6:30 PM:  
Organization & Independence  
Sarah Ward leads a session on student planning at the Kay Meek Centre.



Feb 2 @ 7 PM:  
Youth Mental Health  
Pediatrician Odion Kalaci explores mental health related to screen time at West Bay Elementary.



Jan 27 @ 7 PM:  
Social Media & Screen Time

Cari Wilson discusses setting digital boundaries at Caulfeild Elementary School.

Date & Time	Topic & Speaker	Location
Jan 27, 7:00 PM	Social Media & Boundaries (Cari Wilson)	Caulfeild Elementary
Jan 28, 6:30 PM	Organization & Independence (Sarah Ward)	Kay Meek Centre
Feb 2, 7:00 PM	Youth Mental Health (Odion Kalaci)	West Bay Elementary

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Please see the PAC Newsletter on Page 3 for Signup and Further Details

## BASKETBALL GAME #1 vs RIDGEVIEW

The boys played their first game of the season against Ridgeview this week. They demonstrated strong teamwork and sportsmanship and are looking forward to continuing to improve before their next game. The girls' team played their first game of the season at Ridgeview this week. They demonstrated great positivity, teamwork, and effort throughout the game. We're looking forward to a fantastic season ahead!



**Next Game vs Gleneagles;  
Girls at Home and Boys Away**

## OUT OF CATCHMENT REGISTRATION OPEN

**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)**  
**[REQUIRED DOCUMENTS](#)**

If you have students in your family or network who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.

West Vancouver Schools offers a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student.

To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page [HERE](#). We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

## ON SCHOOL CASH

Click [HERE](#) to Pay

Due for Payment Now  
\$14.50 Grade 2  
Woodworking Kit

**COMING SOON**  
Grade 5 Vancouver  
Museum Fee

Grade 3 Cheakamus  
Fee

## 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

## ROCKRIDGE COURSE SELECTION FORM [HERE](#)

Hard Copies went home 20 Jan  
Please return to office by 2 Feb

**COMPLETE**  
**HOT LUNCH**  
**[SURVEY HERE](#)**  
**Adding ABURI on  
Mondays in Term 3.**

**Lunch Deliveries**  
Please avoid commercial food deliveries during the school day. It often comes late which frustrates students and it interrupts office staff. Thank you.

## JANUARY

23	09:15 How Learning Works At West Bay
27	Basketball Game #2 vs Gleneagles
27	Digital Citizenship #1@ Caulfeild, 7:00
28	Gr 7s Visiting Synagogue
30	Professional Development Day

## FEBRUARY

2	Digital Citizenship 32 Dr Kalaci @ West Bay, 7:00 PM
4	Grade 7s visiting RR at 1:30
6	09:00 PAC Exec Meeting in LC Disney's Elio Movie Night, 3-5 PM
10	Both Basketball Teams at BICS
12	Student Release Drill @ 1:30 PM
13	District Wide Reading Break
16	Family Statutory Holiday
17	Gr 5 Students to Vancouver Museum
18	Kallie George Author Event 5:30 PM for Primary Families
20	PAC Meeting
25	Pink Shirt Day Girls Basketball Tournament, 1-4 PM
26	Boys Basketball Tournament, 1-4 PM
27	Lunar New Year Celebration

## KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS BUSY AND HAVING FUN BUILDING THOSE SOCIAL SKILLS

While playing Jumbo Jenga, Kindergarten students developed important social skills. As they gathered around the tower, they practiced taking turns, encouraging each other, and waiting patiently for their chance to remove a block. This required self-control and respect for others, especially with such an exciting game that they were so eager to play. The students showed good sportsmanship by encouraging their peers and responding positively whether the tower stayed standing or fell. Playing games helps build cooperation, communication, and empathy.



## LEADERSHIP Week Beginning 19 January



## LUNAR NEW YEAR - Taekwondo Interest

To celebrate **Lunar New Year** at our school on **February 27th**, the Korean community is inviting students of all levels who have taken Taekwondo classes to participate in a short demonstration! This is a great opportunity for students to show their bravery while wearing their **Dobok** (uniform) in front of the whole school. If your child is interested in performing, please email **Amy Jungmi Hwang** at [amyjungmihwang@gmail.com](mailto:amyjungmihwang@gmail.com) with the following information:

Child's Name; School Grade & Division; Teacher's Name; Taekwondo Belt Color; Guardian's Phone Number

Thank you so much for your support!

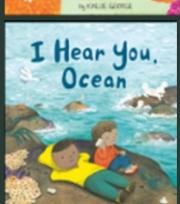
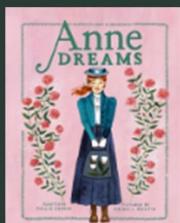
## MARK YOUR CALENDAR - SIGN UP COMING SOON

### KALLIE GEORGE

### AUTHOR EVENT

### PRIMARY FAMILIES

18 FEB @ 5:15-6:15 PM



Thanks to the West Bay PAC we are able to offer a special author presentation to primary students and their parents

Join Kallie George on February 18th at 5:15 PM to hear about her writing journey, what inspired her to be an author/illustrator, and a behind-the scenes look at some of her books.

## HOW THE WORLD WORKS

*Through investigation people can discover how the earth changes*  
Grade 3 students have begun their inquiry and research into, *How the earth's surface gets its shape and How earth transforms and changes* with a deep dive into how landslides occur; what are they and why do they happen?





# WEST BAY ELEMENTARY

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

## PAC NEWS, EVENTS, HIGHLIGHTS & RESOURCES

**Fri, Feb 6 @ 3-5pm | The Gym**  
**MOVIE NIGHT - DISNEY'S ELIO**  
(Purchase Tickets By 2 FEB)

### Don't miss our student Movie Night!

Wear your comfiest PJs, bring your pillows, blankets & stuffies, and get ready for pizza, popcorn, treats & surprise goodies included with your ticket!

 **TICKETS \$20:** Grab yours today on [Munchalunch!](#) Don't miss the fun & let's make it a movie night to remember!



**GET YOUR TICKET**



### Friday, February 27 LUNAR NEW YEAR VOLUNTEERS

We're looking for volunteers to help celebrate Lunar New Year with our school community. To join in the fun, reach out to [westbay.pac@gmail.com](mailto:westbay.pac@gmail.com)



### Thursday, March 12 NOWRUZ VOLUNTEERS

We're looking for volunteers to help celebrate Nowruz with our school community. To join in the fun, reach out to [westbay.pac@gmail.com](mailto:westbay.pac@gmail.com)



Is your child interested in **sharing their Taekwondo skills** during our **Lunar New Year celebration**? We'd love to have them take part in a short demonstration! Please email [amyjungmihwang@gmail.com](mailto:amyjungmihwang@gmail.com)



# A Playground Where EVERY CHILD BELONGS

**WE HAVE RAISED \$44,200 SO FAR**

**THIS YEAR!** Over the next 2 years, we're hoping to raise over **\$200,000** for our Playground enhancement initiative. Help shape our school's future by [sponsoring](#). **THANKS** to all of our sponsors!



**—SPONSOR TODAY—**

## Digital Citizenship & Parenting Tips PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

**TUES, JAN 27 @ 7PM | Caulfield Elementary**

**Cari Wilson – Technology** Sponsored by West Bay, Cypress Park and Caulfield PACs - Join our District Vice-Principal of Innovation and Technology, and learn practical tips on **Social Media, Screen Time & Setting Boundaries**. [\*\*FREE SIGN-UP\*\*](#)

**Wed Jan 28 @ 6:30PM | Kay Meek Theatre**

**Sarah Ward – Executive Functioning** Sponsored by the DPAC - Highly recommended with lots of easy practical tips for helping kids grow to be organized & functional adults!

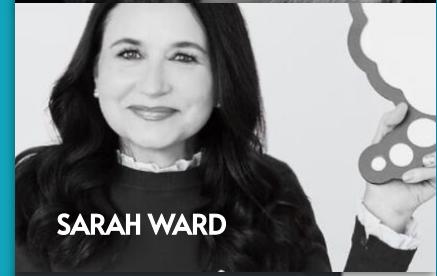
[\*\*TICKETS \\$20\*\*](#)

**MON, FEB 2 @ 7PM | West Bay Elementary**

**Dr. Odion Kalaci – Mental Health** Sponsored by West Bay, Cypress Park and Caulfield PACs - Join Dr. Odion Kalaci, a youth mental health expert, for a parent session focused on **Understanding the Mental Health of Young People**. [\*\*FREE SIGN-UP\*\*](#)



CARI WILSON



SARAH WARD



DR. ODION KALACI

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**Got an hour?**

## HOT LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

**Hot Lunch wouldn't happen without parent volunteers!** Help hand out lunches 1 or 2 times a month from 11:50–12:50 & play a small but important role in making lunchtime run smoothly for our kids.



**—VOLUNTEER TODAY—**

## A PROBLEM WITH SOLUTIONS

It takes way too long for parents to pick up their children after school. Fortunately, this problem is solvable. The most helpful are:

1. Please pull up as far as you can to pick up your child so cars behind you can do the same.
2. If you absolutely have to get out of your car, please wait until you are in the furthest spot forward so you are not in the way.
3. Please remind your child (we'll do the same) to be ready for you: they are looking for your car and have their backpack ready.

## 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

## DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

Please ensure you pull as far forward as possible to avoid a backlog behind you. If you need to get out to look for your child, wait until you are in spots 1 or 2.



## 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. Please display your K decal.**

**WHEN TO KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME**  
[CLICK HERE FOR FIND OUT](#)



## Personal Digital Device Use

We ask families to support a learning-focused approach to technology at school by refraining from using your mobile phone when on the school grounds. When children see others on phones, they are drawn to theirs too. Further information on our School District's policy regarding personal digital device use can be found [here](#) and parent resource infographics on social media use are [here](#).

## Personal Digital Device Use

7:50 AM – 8:50 AM Student Arrival	Students can send text messages and make phone calls on their mobile phone.  Students cannot play video games, use social media, take or view photos or videos, listen to music, etc. No laptop or tablet use.
8:50 AM – 2:50 PM PM + School Events	Students are only allowed to use their device when given permission by a staff member and are supervised by a staff member.  Devices are to be stored in silent mode or off.
2:50-3:50 PM Student Departure	Students can send text messages and make phone calls on their mobile phone.  Students cannot play video games, use social media, take or view photos or videos, listen to music, etc. No laptop or tablet use.

## HOT LUNCH ORDERING

Ongoing Ordering [Here](#)

(1 week window - this is a change)

Monday - Fresh Bay Pizza

Tuesday - Aburi

Wednesday - Well Fed

Friday - Panago and Well Fed

Any questions - email [hotlunchwb@gmail.com](mailto:hotlunchwb@gmail.com)



## USEFUL LINKS

### WINTER WEATHER AND CLOSURES

### 2025-26 YEAR IN A GLANCE CALENDAR

### CODE OF CONDUCT

### SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

### SCHOOL CASH ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS

## USEFUL LINKS

### MYEDUCATION BC

### VCH VACCINATION PROCESS

### DOCUMENT UPLOAD LINK

### MYED BC FAMILY PORTAL PAGE

### PARENT IT GUIDE



## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a **single link** rather than detailed in school newsletters.

DPAC	EXECUTIVE MEETINGS	PAC MEETINGS
4 March	6 March	No Meeting
1 April	10 April	17 April
6 May	8 May	22 May
3 June	<b>TBD</b>	9 June

### West Van Run! March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

We invite students and families to take part in this fun, community run and enjoy special discounted registration. Parents and students can register for \$45 using the code **WVSCHOOLS**, and children can join the Kids 1K for \$15 using the code **WVKIDS**. These codes can also be used by other family members who would like to participate. Whether you prefer walking, jogging, or running, this event welcomes all ages and abilities. It's a great way for families to be active together and supports our shared commitment to health and well-being across West Vancouver Schools.

**Register [HERE](#)**

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](mailto: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.

### West Van Memorial Library: Professional Development Day 30 January, 2026

**Build a Spirograph with VEX | Grades 5 – 7**  
10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Family Art: Labubu Craft Time! |**  
**Ages 7+ with caregiver**  
12 – 1 p.m.

**Movie Matinée: The Smurfs | All Ages**  
2 – 3:45 p.m.

**[REGISTER NOW HERE](#)**

Would you like to support your child's reading in multiple languages? Try reading dual-language stories together using **Unite for Literacy** ([www.uniteforliteracy.com](http://www.uniteforliteracy.com)). This free website offers online picture books in many languages, making it easy to read in both your home language and English.



**Happy reading!**

**Ms. Jackson, ELL Teacher**